



MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MOSSLEY MILL ON MONDAY 12 APRIL 2021 AT 6.30 PM

- In the Chair** : The Mayor (Councillor J Montgomery)
- Members Present** : Aldermen – F Agnew, P Brett, T Burns, T Campbell, L Clarke
M Cosgrove, M Girvan, P Michael, J McGrath and J Smyth
- Councillors – J Archibald-Brown, A Bennington,
M Cooper, H Cushinan, P Dunlop, G Finlay, S Flanagan,
R Foster, J Gilmour, M Goodman, P Hamill, L Irwin, N Kelly,
R Lynch, A McAuley, N McClelland, T McGrann,
V McWilliam, M Magill, N Ramsay, V Robinson, S Ross,
L Smyth, M Stewart, R Swann, B Webb and R Wilson
- Officers Present** : Chief Executive - J Dixon
Deputy Chief Executive – M McAlister
Director of Finance and Governance – S Cole
Director of Operations – G Girvan
Director of Community Planning – N Harkness
Director of Organisation Development – A McCooke
Head of Corporate Recovery – L Johnston
ICT Helpdesk Officer – J Wilson
Systems Support Officer – C Bell
Member Services Manager – V Lisk

In order to protect public health during the current COVID-19 emergency it was not possible to allow the public or the press to physically attend the meeting. The public and the press can access those parts of the meeting which they are entitled to attend via live stream (a link to which is on the Council website). The meeting minutes and audio recording will be published on the Council's website.

1 BIBLE READING, PRAYER AND WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present to the meeting, and advised Members of the audio recording procedures.

The meeting opened with a Bible reading, prayer and personal tribute about the Duke of Edinburgh from the Mayor's Chaplain, The Venerable Dr Stephen McBride, Archdeacon of Connor.

Councillors Cushinan, Finlay, Goodman, Kelly, McAuley and McGrann joined the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES

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3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

4. TRIBUTES TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, THE PRINCE PHILIP, DUKE OF EDINBURGH

At the request of the Mayor, a two minute silence was observed in recognition of His Royal Highness, the Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Party Leaders, on behalf of their Groups, paid tribute to His Royal Highness, the Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh and expressed their sincere condolences to The Queen and the Royal Family.

The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and there being no further business on the agenda the meeting concluded at 7.03 pm.

MAYOR