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COUNCIL

KIRKLEES COUNCIL

**At the Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Kirklees held at
Council Chamber - Town Hall, Huddersfield on Wednesday 12 September 2018**

PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Gwen Lowe) in the Chair

COUNCILLORS

Councillor Masood Ahmed	Councillor Mahmood Akhtar
Councillor Karen Allison	Councillor Bill Armer
Councillor Donna Bellamy	Councillor Martyn Bolt
Councillor Cahal Burke	Councillor Andrew Cooper
Councillor Nosheen Dad	Councillor Richard Eastwood
Councillor Eric Firth	Councillor Donald Firth
Councillor Michelle Grainger-Mead	Councillor Charles Greaves
Councillor David Hall	Councillor Steve Hall
Councillor Lisa Holmes	Councillor Edgar Holroyd-Doveton
Councillor James Homewood	Councillor Judith Hughes
Councillor Mumtaz Hussain	Councillor Paul Kane
Councillor Manisha Roma Kaushik	Councillor Viv Kendrick
Councillor Musarrat Khan	Councillor John Lawson
Councillor Vivien Lees-Hamilton	Councillor Robert Light
Councillor Fazila Loonat	Councillor Terry Lyons
Councillor Naheed Mather	Councillor Peter McBride
Councillor Bernard McGuin	Councillor Darren O'Donovan
Councillor Marielle O'Neill	Councillor Shabir Pandor
Councillor Carole Pattison	Councillor Mussarat Pervaiz
Councillor Amanda Pinnock	Councillor Andrew Pinnock
Councillor Kath Pinnock	Councillor Hilary Richards
Councillor Mohammad Sarwar	Councillor Cathy Scott
Councillor David Sheard	Councillor Elizabeth Smaje
Councillor Richard Smith	Councillor Mohan Sokhal
Councillor Julie Stewart-Turner	Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Kath Taylor	Councillor Graham Turner
Councillor Sheikh Ullah	Councillor Rob Walker
Councillor Nell Griffiths	Councillor Alison Munro
Councillor Richard Murgatroyd	Councillor Mark Thompson
Councillor Harpreet Uppal	

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42 **Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive**

The Mayor informed Council that former Councillor and Deputy Leader of the Council, Cath Harris, who had represented the Ashbrow Ward from 2007 to 2015, had sadly passed away on 3 August. Tributes were paid by Councillors Homewood, Pandor, Lawson, D Hall, Burke and Uppal.

The Mayor conveyed congratulations to Hanging Heaton Cricket Club on being the first club to hold both Yorkshire Club trophies, and wished them well for the forthcoming National T20 finals.

The Chief Executive informed Council (i) of the resignation of Councillor Billy Jewitt, on the grounds of ill health, and conveyed the Council's best wishes and (ii) the appointment of Eamonn Croston as the Council's Service Director for Finance and Section 151 Officer.

43 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Asif, Hill, Iredale, Patrick, Sims, Watson, Wilson and Zaman.

44 **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of Council, held on 11 July 2018, be approved as a correct record.

45 **Declaration of Interests**

Councillor Hughes declared an 'other' interest in Agenda Item 18 on the grounds that she is a Member of the European Parliament Committee of Regions.

Councillor Smaje declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that she is a Board Member of Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing.

Councillor Pandor declared an 'other' interest in Agenda Item 18 on the grounds that he is a Substitute Member of the Council of Europe.

Councillor Cooper declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in Agenda Item 18 on the grounds that he is a Member of the European Parliament Committee of Regions.

Councillor Bellamy declared an 'other' interest in Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that she is a KNH tenant.

Councillor Scott declared an 'other' interest on the grounds that she has a family member who is a KNH tenant.

Councillor A U Pinnock declared an 'other' interest in Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that she is employed by Fusion Housing.

46 **Petitions (From Members of the Council)**

No petitions were received.

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47 **Deputations & Petitions (From Members of the Public)**

Council received a deputation, delivered by Mr John Lockwood, on behalf of Armitage Bridge Village Association, which advised of the concerns of residents in relation to road safety issues, traffic congestion and an increasing volume of traffic in Armitage Bridge.

The Cabinet Member for Communities and Environment, Councillor Naheed Mather, responded to the deputation.

No petitions were received.

48 **Public Question Time**

No questions were asked.

49 **West Yorkshire Combined Authority - Minutes**

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of West Yorkshire Combined Authority, held on 1 February, 5 April, 10 May and 28 June 2018 be received and noted.

50 **Kirklees Housing Strategy 2018-2023 (Reference from Cabinet)**

It was moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor McBride, and

RESOLVED - That the Kirklees Housing Strategy 2018-2023 be approved.

51 **Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2017/2018 and Scrutiny Work Programme 2018/2019**

Council received, for information, the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2017/2018, and the Scrutiny Work Programme 2018/2019, as presented by the Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee, and Scrutiny Panel Lead Members.

The Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee noted the comments of Council arising from the update report.

RESOLVED – That the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2017/2018, and the Scrutiny Work Programme 2018/2019, be received and noted.

52 **Allocation of Seats - Update**

It was moved by Councillor Sokhal, seconded by Councillor Pandor, and

RESOLVED - That the allocation of seats be amended, in order to achieve overall proportionality, as follows; (i) Personnel Committee is constituted on a ratio of 4:2:1 and (ii) overall Scrutiny composition is constituted on a ratio of 13:6:3:1.

(Under the provision of Council Procedure Rule 5(4)(6), it was determined by the Chief Executive, in conjunction with the Mayor, that the Agenda business be considered in the following order).

53 **Minutes of Cabinet and Cabinet Committee - Local Issues**

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of Cabinet held on 20 February, 6 March, 20 March, 17 April, 12 June, 29 June and 10 July 2018, and Cabinet Committee – Local Issues held on 28 March 2018, be received and noted.

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54 Holding the Executive to Account

Council received Portfolio Updates from the Leader of the Council, Councillor Pandor, and the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services, Councillor Kendrick.

Oral Questions were received by Councillors Pandor and Kendrick.

(The remainder of oral questions were not received due to time constraints).

55 Written Questions to the Leader, Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees and Nominated Spokespersons

Item not considered (due to time constraints).

56 Minutes of Other Committees

Item not considered (due to time constraints).

57 Oral Questions to Committee Chairs and Nominated Spokespersons of Joint Committees/External Bodies

Item not considered (due to time constraints).

58 Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to Flockton Traffic Issues

Item not considered (due to time constraints).

59 Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to Giving People a Say on the Final Brexit Deal

Item not considered (due to time constraints).