



Woking Borough Council

Decisions taken by the Council on Monday, 20 May 2024

The following decisions were made by Council on Monday, 20 May 2024. This decision sheet is not intended to represent the formal record of the meeting. The formal minutes will be published in due course.

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Agenda Item		Decisions Taken
Part 1 – Items Considered in Public		
5.	Announcement of the 2024 Eminent Citizen.	The Mayor bestowed the honour of Eminent Citizen on Tony Durran by the Mayor.
6.	Election of Mayor 2024/25.	Councillor Louise Morales was elected as Mayor of the Borough for the ensuing year.
8.	Appointment of Deputy Mayor 2024/25.	Councillor Amanda Boote was elected as Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the ensuing year.
10.	Local Elections 2024 WBC24-026.	A report was received on the names of those who had been returned as Borough Councillors at the Elections on 2 May 2024.
11.	Amendments to Constitution - Exceptions to Standing Orders - Procurement STA24-001	The following recommendations of the former Standards and Audit Committee were agreed: (i) clause on Exceptions to Standing Orders (Appendix 1 to the report) be amended as set

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		<p>out within the report in the Council’s Constitution under Section 6 of Part 5;</p> <p>(ii) the authority delegated to the Monitoring Officer to make minor amendments to the Constitution be noted, including amendments to references within the document and section numbering; and</p> <p>(iii) the Monitoring Officer be instructed to make the agreed changes to the Constitution.</p>
11.	Amendments to Constitution - Members' Allowances STA24-002	<p>The following recommendations of the former Standards and Audit Committee were agreed:</p> <p>(i) the clauses on ‘Members Surgeries’ and ‘Co-optees Allowance’ (Appendix 1 to the report) be removed from the Council’s Constitution under Section 4 of Part 5;</p> <p>(ii) the authority delegated to the Monitoring Officer to make minor amendments to the Constitution be noted, including amendments to references within the document and section numbering; and</p> <p>(iii) the Monitoring Officer be instructed to make the agreed changes to the Constitution.</p>
11.	Amendments to Constitution - Responsibility for Standards and Audit Committee STA24-003	<p>The following recommendations of the former Standards and Audit Committee were agreed:</p> <p>(i) the clause on Responsibility for Standards and Audit Committee (Appendix 1 to the report) under Section 1 of Part 3, and Article 10 – Standards and Audit Committee (Appendix 2 to the report) under Section 1 of Part 2, in the Council’s Constitution be amended as set out within the report;</p> <p>(ii) the authority delegated to the Monitoring Officer to make minor amendments to the Constitution be noted, including amendments to references within the document and</p>

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		<p>section numbering;</p> <p>(iii) Monitoring Officer be instructed to make the agreed changes to the Constitution; and</p> <p>(iv) the Local Government Association be lobbied to provide an off the shelf version of a local authority Constitution that could be adapted by individual councils.</p>
11.	Amendments to Constitution - Asset Disposals Threshold STA24-004	<p>The following recommendations of the former Standards and Audit Committee were agreed:</p> <p>(i) clauses on ‘Sale of Land’ and ‘Land Management’ in the Scheme of Delegations (Appendix 1 to the report) under Section 3 of Part 3 of the Council’s Constitution be amended as set out within the report;</p> <p>(ii) authority delegated to the Monitoring Officer to make minor amendments to the Constitution be noted, including amendments to references within the document and section numbering; and</p> <p>(iii) Monitoring Officer be instructed to make the agreed changes to the Constitution.</p>
12.	The Constitution WBC24-033.	The revised Constitution was agreed, noting that the document would continue to be kept under review.
13.	Calendar of Meetings 2024/25 Update.	<p>Changes were agreed to the calendar of meetings for the coming year as follows:</p> <p>(i) the following meetings of the three Scrutiny Committees be cancelled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the Resource and Finance Scrutiny Committee to be held on 11 June 2024;

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the Environment and Place Scrutiny Committee to be held on 25 June 2024; and ○ the Communities and Housing Scrutiny Committee to be held on 2 July 2024; and <p>(ii) the meetings be rescheduled as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the Resource and Finance Scrutiny Committee be held at 7pm on 9 July 2024; ○ the Environment and Place Scrutiny Committee be held at 7pm on 18 July 2024; and ○ the Communities and Housing Scrutiny Committee be held at 7pm on 30 July 2024.
14.	Appointments to Committees and other Bodies for 2024/25 WBC24-028.	<p>The memberships of the Council’s Committees and the appointment of Members to a range of outside bodies were agreed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) membership of the Committees for 2024/25 be agreed as set out in Section 2.0 of the report; (ii) membership of the Safer Woking Partnership for 2024/25 be agreed as set out in Section 3.0 of the report; (iii) the size of the Finance Working Group be reduced to six, as set out in Section 3.0 of the report, and the terms of reference as set out in the Constitution be amended to reflect the change; (iv) the appointments to ad hoc bodies for 2024/25 be agreed as set out in Section 4.0 of the report. (v) the nominations to appointments available through the Surrey Leaders’ Group, as set

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		<p>out in Section 5.0 of the report, be endorsed;</p> <p>(vi) Councillor Cosnahan be appointed the Armed Forces Champion for 2024/25 and Councillor Howes be appointed Deputy Armed Forces Champion for 2024/25, as set out in Section 6.0 of the report; and</p> <p>(vii) the list of ex officio appointments, as set out in Section 7.0 of the report, be noted.</p>

Part 2 – Items Considered in Private

No items were considered in private.