



EPSOM AND EWELL

Minutes of the Meeting of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF EPSOM AND EWELL held virtually on 25 March 2021

PRESENT -

The Mayor (Councillor Humphrey Reynolds); The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Peter O'Donovan); Councillors Arthur Abdulin, John Beckett, Steve Bridger, Kate Chinn, Christine Cleveland, Monica Coleman, Alex Coley, Nigel Collin, Neil Dallen, Hannah Dalton, Robert Foote, Chris Frost, Liz Frost, Bernice Froud, Rob Geleit, Luke Giles, David Gulland, Christine Howells, Colin Keane, Eber Kington, Jan Mason, Steven McCormick, Debbie Monksfield, Julie Morris, Bernie Muir, Barry Nash, Phil Neale, David Reeve, Guy Robbins, Clive Smitheram, Chris Webb, Peter Webb and Clive Woodbridge

Absent: Councillors Previn Jagutpal, Lucie McIntyre and Alan Sursham

The Meeting was preceded by prayers led by the Mayor's Chaplain

27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made by Councillors regarding items on the agenda.

28 MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS/BUSINESS

The Mayor announced the sad passing of former Councillor and Mayor Madeleine Catmur. Madeleine had served as a Councillor for Woodcote Ward for 18 years from 1973 to 1991. Madeleine was Mayor in 1985. The Council observed a minute's silence in remembrance.

The Mayor made a number of announcements relating to noteworthy virtual and in person events which he had attended over the past four months and to forthcoming Christmas events.

29 SUBMISSION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND ON COUNCIL SIZE

The Council received a report requesting it approve the submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on Council size.

Councillor Eber Kington MOVED the recommendation in the report.

Upon being put, the recommendation was CARRIED with a majority vote in favour.

Accordingly, it was resolved to:

- (1) **Approve the submission on Council Size, as set out in Appendix 1;**
- (2) **Delegate to the Chief Legal Officer in consultation with the Chairman of Strategy and Resources and the Chairman of the Electoral Review Task and Finish Group any final changes to the Council Size Submission as may be necessary;**
- (3) **Authorise the Chief Executive to submit the Council's Submission on Council Size to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.**

The meeting began at 7.30 pm and ended at 8.08 pm

COUNCILLOR HUMPHREY REYNOLDS
MAYOR