

Crawley Borough Council

Minutes of the Full Council

Wednesday 22 March 2017 at 7.04 p.m.

Present: Councillor R Sharma (Mayor)
Councillor B J Quinn (Deputy Mayor)
Councillors T G Belben, Dr H S Bloom, B J Burgess, R G Burgess, R D Burrett, C A Cheshire, D Crow, C R Eade, R S Fiveash, F Guidera, I T Irvine, K L Jaggard M G Jones, S J Joyce, P K Lamb, R A Lanzer, T Lunnon, K McCarthy, B MeCrow, C J Mullins, D M Peck, C Portal Castro, T Rana, A C Skudder, P C Smith, J Stanley, M A Stone, K Sudan, J Tarrant, G Thomas, K J Trussell and L Vitler.

Also in Attendance: Mr P Nicolson – Appointed Independent Person.

Officers Present: Ann-Maria Brown Head of Legal and Democratic Services
Peter Browning Acting Chief Executive
Chris Pedlow Democratic Services Manager

96. Minute Silence – Westminster Attack

The Mayor asked all present at the meeting to observe one Minute's silence, as a mark of respect and sympathy for the victims and their families, who suffered as a result of that day's terror attack at Westminster.

97. Apologies for Absence

Councillors M W Pickett and B A Smith
Mr A Quine – Honorary Freeman and Alderman.

Absent:

Councillor M L Ayling

98. Members' Disclosures of Interests

No delegations of Interests were received.

99. Appointment of the Permanent Chief Executive, Head of Paid Service, the Returning Officer and the Electoral Registration Officer

The Leader presented report [PAT/027](#) by the Head of People and Technology and the Leader of the Council to the Full Council, which sort their approval for the appointment of a new Chief Executive, Head of Paid Service, the Returning Officer and the Electoral Registration Officer.

The report detailed that an Appointments and Investigation Committee had been set up for the appointment and that the Committee had met three times and a copy of the minutes for each meeting had been included within the report.

The Leader stated that the Appointments and Investigating Committee's nomination to Council for the new Chief Executive was Natalie Brahma-Pearl and he was extremely happy to endorse their recommendation to the Full Council and looked forward to working with her.

The Leader of the Opposition Councillor Crow, who also was on the Appointments and Investigating Committee seconded the recommendation of Natalie Brahma-Pearl as the new Chief Executive.

Councillors R G Burgess and Stanley also spoke on the report.

The Mayor called for a vote and the recommendations were unanimously agreed.

The Mayor welcomed Natalie Brahma-Pearl to her new role of Chief Executive on behalf of the Full Council.

RESOLVED

That the Full Council:

1. notes the Appointments and Investigating Committee nomination's of Natalie Brahma-Pearl as the new Chief Executive.
2. appoints Natalie Brahma-Pearl to the position of Chief Executive of Crawley Borough Council with effect from 26th June 2017, at a salary of £114,508 p.a.
3. appoints Natalie Brahma-Pearl to the designation of Head of Paid Service of Crawley Borough Council under Section 4 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 with effect from the 26th June 2017.
4. appoints Natalie Brahma-Pearl, as the Returning Officer and the Electoral Registration Officer, with effect from the 26th June 2017.

100. Closure of Meeting

The meeting ended at 7.11pm

R Sharma
Mayor