

COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2021 at 7.00 pm in Ramsgate Leisure Centre.

Present: Councillor Jason Savage (Chair); Councillors Albon, Ara, Ashbee, Austin, Bailey, Bambridge, J Bayford, R Bayford, Boyd, Braidwood, Coleman-Cooke, Crittenden, Currie, Dennis, Dexter, Duckworth, Everitt, Fellows, Garner, Hopkinson, Huxley, Keen, Kup, Pat Moore, Paul Moore, Ovenden, Parsons, L Piper, Rev. S Piper, Potts, Pugh, Rawf, Rogers, Rusiecki, D Saunders, M Saunders, Scobie, Scott, Shonk, Shrubb, Tomlinson, Towning, Wallin, Whitehead, Wing, Wright and Yates

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Councillor Savage left the room during the election of Chair.

Councillor Albon proposed and Councillor Everitt seconded that Councillor Rawf be Chair.

Councillor Ashbee proposed and Councillor Pugh seconded that Councillor Savage be Chair.

Following a vote, Councillor Savage was declared elected as Chair of Council for the 2021/22 municipal year.

Councillor Savage returned to the room.

Councillor Savage made the statutory declaration of acceptance of office of Chair of Council, returned thanks for his election and formalised Mrs Savage as his escort.

COUNCILLOR SAVAGE IN THE CHAIR

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

On the proposal of Councillor Ashbee, seconded by Councillor Pugh, and there being no further nominations, Councillor Fellows was declared elected as Vice-Chair of Council for the 2021/22 municipal year.

Councillor Fellows made the statutory declaration of acceptance of office of Vice-Chair of Council, offered thanks for his election and formalised Ms Sabatowska as his escort.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Farrance, Game. Green, Gregory, Hart, Rattigan and Roper.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and agreed that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 March 2021 be approved and signed by the Chair.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members offered their congratulations to Councillors Austin, Shonk and Wallin for their recent election.

7. RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNCTIONS - EXECUTIVE DELEGATIONS

Council was informed of the Cabinet portfolios, Cabinet portfolio holders and Shadow Cabinet portfolio holders for the 2021/22 municipal year as follows:

Name of Cabinet Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder	Shadow Cabinet Portfolio Holder
Leader of the Council	Vacant	Councillor Ashbee
Deputy Leader	Councillor Whitehead	Councillor Pugh
Port and Harbours, Ramsgate Regeneration and Planning	Councillor Everitt	Councillor Ashbee
• Finance, Administration and Community Wealth Building	Councillor Yates	Councillor D Saunders
Estates and Economic Development	Councillor Duckworth	Councillor Pugh
Operational Services	Councillor Albon	Councillor Kup
Housing and Community Services	Councillor Whitehead	Councillor J Bayford

8. CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEES, POLITICAL BALANCE, APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, PANELS AND BOARDS

NUMBER AND SIZE OF COMMITTEES

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and Members agreed the number of committees and the number of Members to serve on those committees as shown in table 2 of the report, namely

Committee	Number of Members
Planning Committee	14
Licensing Board	12
Overview and Scrutiny Panel	14
Governance and Audit Committee	12
General Purposes Committee	12
Boundary and Electoral Arrangements Working Party	6
Constitutional Review Working Party	4 (+2 independent)
Joint Transportation Board*	7 (+1 parish)
Standards Committee**	8 (+ 4 independent, + 3 parish)

PROPORTIONALITY

Councillor S Piper proposed and Councillor Ashbee seconded option B.

Councillor Everitt proposed and Councillor Albon seconded option C.

Upon being put to the vote option B was agreed.

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON COMMITTEES

The nominations of Members to serve on committees were as follows:

Planning Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	Tomlinson	1	Albon	1	Rusiecki	1	Garner
2	Coleman-Cooke	2	Keen				
3	J. Bayford	3	Pat Moore				
4	Hart	4	Hopkinson				
5	Paul Moore	5	Crittenden				
6	Scott						
7	Wright						

Planning Committee (*pool of substitute Members*)

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	Dexter	1	Everitt	1	Braidwood	1	Vacant
2	Towning	2	Whitehead				
3	Vacant	3	Scobie				
4	Vacant	4	Currie				
5	Vacant	5	Vacant				
6	Vacant						
7	Vacant						

Licensing Board

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	Bambridge	1	Ara	1	Potts	1	Wing
2	Rogers	2	Scobie				
3	Dexter	3	Huxley				
4	M Saunders	4	Green				
5	Shrubb						
6	Wright						

Overview & Scrutiny Panel

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	R Bayford	1	Currie	1	L Piper	1	Austin
2	Boyd	2	Keen	2	S Piper		
3	Coleman-Cooke	3	Pat Moore				
4	Paul Moore	4	Huxley				
5	Rattigan						
6	Scott						
7	Tomlinson						

Governance and Audit Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	Boyd	1	Pat Moore	1	Braidwood	1	Garner
2	Dexter	2	Duckworth				

3	Kup	3	Hopkinson				
4	Rugh	4	Whitehead				
5	Shrubb						
6	Towning						

Governance and Audit Committee (*Pool of Substitute Members*)

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	Rattigan	1	Yates	1	Vacant	1	Vacant
2	Scott	2	Everitt				
3	Vacant	3	Vacant				
4	Vacant	4	Vacant				
5	Vacant						
6	Vacant						

General Purposes Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	Ashbee	1	Albon	1	S Piper	1	Wing
2	R Bayford	2	Everitt				
3	Dexter	3	Rawf				
4	D Saunders	4	Ovenden				
5	M Saunders						
6	Wright						

General Purposes - (Pool of Substitute Members)

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	Vacant	1	Duckworth	1	Rusiecki	1	Vacant
2	Vacant	2	Pat Moore				
3	Vacant	3	Scobie				
4	Vacant	4	vacant				
5	Vacant						
6	Vacant						

Boundaries and Electoral Arrangements Working Party

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green	
1	Paul Moore	1	Currie	1	Dennis		
2	Parsons	2	Albon				
3	Rattigan						

Constitutional Review Working Party

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green		Independent Members (non Councillors) *	
1	Ashbee	1	Hopkinson	1	Rusiecki			1	Tucker
2	Hart							2	Wellbrook
								3	Lorenzo
								4	Vacant

NOTE: *drawn from the Independent Members of the Standards Committee

Standards Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green		Independent Members (non Councillors) *	
1	J Bayford	1	Scobie	1	Dennis			1	Tucker
2	Dexter	2	Crittenden					2	Wellbrook
3	Fellows	3	Duckworth					3	Lorenzo
4	Kup							4	Vacant

Joint Transport Board

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green		Parish	
1	M Saunders	1	Scobie	1	Potts			1	
2	Fellows	2	Yates						
3	Hart	3	Farrance						

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR TO COMMITTEES, PANELS AND BOARDS FOR THE 2021/22 MUNICIPAL YEAR**Chair of the Planning Committee**

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed Councillor Tomlinson.

Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed Councillor Coleman-Cooke.

Chair of the Licensing Board

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed Councillor Bambridge.

Vice-Chair of the Licensing Board

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed Councillor Rogers.

Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed Councillor R Bayford.

Vice-Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded Councillor S Piper.
Councillor Everitt proposed, Councillor Rawf seconded Councillor Currie.

Upon being put to the vote, Councillor S Piper was declared elected.

Chair of the Governance and Audit Committee

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded Councillor Boyd.
Councillor Austin proposed, Councillor Wing seconded Councillor Garner.

Upon being put to the vote, Councillor Boyd was declared elected.

Vice-Chair of the Governance and Audit Committee

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed Councillor Dexter.

Chair of the Joint Transportation Board

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed Councillor M Saunders.

Chair of the General Purposes Committee

Councillor Pugh proposed, Councillor Kup seconded and Members agreed Councillor Ashbee.

STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW WORKING PARTY

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and Members agreed that Mr Tucker be appointed Chair of the Standards Committee and Constitutional Review Working Party for the 2021/22 year.

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and Members agreed that Mr Wellbrook be appointed Vice-Chair of the Standards Committee and Constitutional Review Working Party for the 2021/22 year.

9. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and Members agreed the list of Executive and Non-Executive outside bodies, and the nominations to the Non-Executive outside bodies, as detailed in annex 1 and annex 2 of the report.

10. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

The Chair advised that the Planning Committee meeting scheduled for 16 June 2021 would be moved to 23 June 2021, and that the Governance and Audit Committee meeting scheduled for 22 September 2021 would be moved to 29 September 2021. Subject to these changes the Chair proposed and Vice-Chair seconded the calendar of meetings as set out at Annex 1 to the report.

Councillor Ashbee proposed an amendment to the motion, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed that an additional ordinary Council meeting be added to the calendar on 3 June 2021.

Subject to the amendment, Members agreed the Calendar of Meetings for May 2021 to May 2023.

Meeting concluded: 7.45pm