

COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2022 at 7.00 pm in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor Jason Savage (Chair); Councillors Albon, Ashbee, Austin, Bambridge, J Bayford, R Bayford, Boyd, Braidwood, Coleman-Cooke, Currie, Day, Dennis, Dexter, Duckworth, Everitt, Fellows, Garner, Gregory, Hart, Huxley, Keen, Kup, Leys, Paul Moore, Anne-Marie Nixey, Ovenden, Parsons, L Piper, Rev. S Piper, Potts, Pugh, Rattigan, Rawf, Rogers, Rusiecki, D Saunders, M Saunders, Scott, Shonk, Shrubb, Smith, Tomlinson, Towning, Wallin, Wing, Wright and Yates.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Councillor Savage left the room during the election of Chair.

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

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

Following a vote, Councillor Savage was declared elected as Chair of Council for the 2022/23 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 Hart was declared elected as Vice-Chair of Council for the 2022/23 municipal year.

Councillor Hart made the statutory declaration of acceptance of office of Vice-Chair of Council, offered thanks for his election and formalised Elizabeth Hurst as his escort.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Ara, Bailey, Crittenden, Farrance, Hopkinson, Pat Moore, Scobie and Whitehead.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) **31 March 2022 Minutes**

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and agreed that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 31 March 2022 be approved and signed by the Chair.

(b) **5 April 2022 Minutes**

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and agreed that the minutes of the extraordinary Council meeting held on 5 April 2022 be approved and signed by the Chair.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements in accordance with council procedure rule 2.2(iv).

7. RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNCTIONS - EXECUTIVE DELEGATIONS

Council was informed of the Cabinet portfolios, Cabinet portfolio holders and Shadow Cabinet portfolio holders for the 2022/23 municipal year as follows:

Name of Cabinet Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder	Shadow Cabinet Portfolio Holder
Leader of the Council	Councillor Ashbee	Councillor Everitt
Deputy Leader	Councillor Pugh	Councillor Whitehead
Community Safety and Youth Engagement	Councillor Kup	Councillor Keen
Environmental Services and Special Projects	Councillor R Bayford	Councillor Albon
Finance	Councillor D Saunders	Councillor Yates
Housing	Councillor J Bayford	Councillor Whitehead
Economic Development	Councillor Pugh	Councillor Duckworth

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 the table below:

Committee	Number of Members
Planning Committee	15
Licensing Board	15
Overview and Scrutiny Panel	15
Governance and Audit Committee	12
General Purposes Committee	12
Boundary and Electoral Arrangements Working Party	6
Constitutional Review Working Party	6 (+2 independent)
Disciplinary & Grievance Committee	6
Disciplinary & Grievance Appeals Committee	3
Joint Transportation Board*	7 (+2 parish)
Standards Committee**	8 (+ 4 independent, + 3 parish)

PROPORTIONALITY

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and Members agreed the proportionality between groups for committees, panels and boards as shown in option three of the report.

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 & Ind	
1	Tomlinson	1	Albon	1	Rusiecki	1	Garner
2	Coleman-Cooke	2	Keen			2	Wing
3	J. Bayford	3	Pat Moore				
4	Hart	4	Everitt				
5	Paul Moore	5	Crittenden				
6	Shrubb						
7	Wright						

Planning Committee (*pool of substitute Members*)

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind	
1	Dexter	1	Whitehead	1	Braidwood	1	vacant

2	Towning	2	Scobie			2	vacant
3	Pugh	3	Currie				
4	vacant	4	vacant				
5	vacant	5	vacant				
6	vacant						
7	vacant						

Licensing Board

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind	
1	Bambridge	1	Ara	1	Potts	1	Wing
2	Rogers	2	Scobie	2	Dennis	2	Smith
3	Dexter	3	Huxley				
4	M Saunders	4	Currie				
5	Shrubb						
6	Wright						
7	Vacant						

Overview & Scrutiny Panel

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind	
1	Fellows	1	Currie	1	L Piper	1	Austin
2	Boyd	2	Keen	2	S Piper	2	Wing
3	Coleman-Cooke	3	Pat Moore				
4	Paul Moore	4	Huxley				
5	Rattigan						
6	Leys						
7	Tomlinson						

Governance and Audit Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind	
1	Boyd	1	Pat Moore	1	Braidwood	1	Garner
2	Dexter	2	Duckworth				
3	Kup	3	Hopkinson				
4	Leys	4	Whitehead				

5	Shrubbs						
6	Towning						

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

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind	
1	vacant	1	Everitt	1	vacant	1	vacant
2	vacant	2	Yates				
3	vacant	3	vacant				
4	vacant	4	vacant				
5	vacant						
6	vacant						

General Purposes Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind	
1	Ashbee	1	Albon	1	S Piper	1	Austen
2	R Bayford	2	Everitt				

3	J Bayford	3	Rawf				
4	D Saunders	4	Ovenden				
5	M Saunders						
6	Wright						

General Purposes - (Pool of Substitute Members)

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind	
1	Dexter	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 & Ind	
1	Paul Moore	1	Currie	1	Dennis		

2	Parsons	2	Albon				
3	Rattigan						

Disciplinary & Grievance Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind	
1	Dexter	1	vacant	1	L Piper		
2	Kup	2	vacant				
3	Bambridge						

Disciplinary & Grievance Appeals Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind -	
1	Pugh	1	vacant			1	Garner

Constitutional Review Working Party

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind - increase to 1 seat		Independent Members	
1	Ashbee	1	Hopkinson	1	Rusiecki	1	Austin	1	Tucker
2	Hart								

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

Standards Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind.		Parish	Independent Members (non Councillors) *		
1	J Bayford	1	Scobie	1	Braidwood			1	Quittenden	1	Tucker
2	Dexter	2	Crittenden					2	Crow-Brown	2	Lorenzo
3	Fellows	3	Vacant								
4	Kup										

Joint Transport Board

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind		Parish
1	M Saunders	1	Scobie	1	Potts			1.Quittenden
2	Fellows	2	Yates					2.Cornford
3	Hart	3	Vacant					

East Kent joint Services Committee

Conservative		Labour		Thanet Independents		Green & Ind.	
1	Ashbee						
2	Pugh						

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR TO COMMITTEES, PANELS AND BOARDS FOR THE 2021/22 MUNICIPAL YEAR

Councillor Ashbee proposed, Councillor Pugh seconded and Members agreed the following list of nominations to Chair and Vice-Chair positions.

Planning Committee Chair	Cllr Tomlinson
Planning Committee Vice-Chair	Cllr Coleman-Cooke
Licensing Board Chair	Cllr Bambridge
Licensing Board Vice-Chair	Cllr Rogers
Overview and Scrutiny Panel Chair	Cllr Stuart Piper
Overview and Scrutiny Panel Vice-Chair	Cllr Fellows
Governance and Audit Chair	Cllr Boyd
Governance and Audit Vice-Chair	Cllr Dexter
General Purposes Chair	Cllr Ashbee
Joint Transportation Board Vice-Chair	Cllr Mave Saunders

STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW WORKING PARTY

It was proposed by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair and Members agreed that:

- Mr Michael Clarke and Ms Carolyn Ruston be appointed Independent Members of the Standards Committee until the 2026 Annual Council.
- Mr Peter Tucker and Mr Peter Lorenzo be appointed Chair and Vice-Chair respectively of the Standards Committee and the Constitutional Review Working Party for the 2022/23 year.

9. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

It was proposed by Councillor Ashbee, seconded by Councillor Pugh 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 proposed, the Vice-Chair seconded and Members agreed the Calendar of Meetings for May 2022 to May 2023.

11. MEMBERS ALLOWANCES 2022/23

The Chair proposed, the Vice-Chair seconded and Members agreed the recommendation from the East Kent Joint Independent Remuneration Panel, namely:

‘That the Members’ Allowances Scheme 2022-23 as set out in Annex 1 of the report, be approved.’

Meeting concluded : 7.20 pm