

Minutes of Council

**Tuesday, 28 March 2023 at 6.00 pm
at Council Chamber - Sandwell Council House, Oldbury**

- Present:** His Worshipful The Mayor, Councillor R Jones;
Deputy Mayor, Councillor Taylor;
- Councillors Abrahams, Akpoteni, Allcock, Allen, Anandou, Bhullar, Bostan, Carmichael, Chambers, Chapman, Chidley, Choudhry, Costigan, Crompton, Dunn, Fenton, Fisher, Gavan, E A Giles, E M Giles, J Giles, L Giles, M Gill, W Gill, Hackett, Hartwell, Hinchliff, Hughes, A Hussain, Jalil, O Jones, Kalari, Kaur, Khatun, Lewis, Mayo, McVittie, Melia, Millar, Millard, Owen, Padda, Piper, Preece, Rahman, Randhawa, Rollins, Singh, Smith, Uddin, Webb, Wilkes and Williams.
- Officers:** Shokat Lal – Chief Executive; Surjit Tour – Director of Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer; Elaine Newsome – Services Manager – Democracy; Suky Suthi-Nagra – Democratic and Member Services Manager; Stephnie Hancock – Deputy Democratic Services Manager; Trisha Newton – Deputy Democratic Services Manager; Ruth Darby – Lead Officer – Mayoralty and Member Development; Connor Robinson – Democratic Services Officer; John Swann – Democratic Services Officer; Kennedy Brown – Sergeant at Arms.

33 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ahmed, Akhtar, Ashman, Davies, Dhallu, Dhariwal, G Gill, S Gill, Z Hussain, Moore, Shaeen, Simms and Trumpeter.



34 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received.

35 To consider nominations to the office of Honorary Alderman/ Alderwoman.

Council considered the recommendations of the General Purposes and Arbitration Committee, of 14 March 2023, in relation to a nomination for Honorary Alderman (Minute No. 6/23 of the Committee refers).

Resolved:-

- (1) that the office of Honorary Alderman of the Borough be conferred upon Mohinder Singh Tagger;
- (2) that the Director – Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Mayor and Leader of the Council, be authorised to make the appropriate arrangements to implement the decision set out in (1) above.

Meeting ended at 6.09 pm

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