

MINUTES COUNCIL

Wednesday 21 May 2025

Councillor Ron McCrossen (Mayor)

Present:	Councillor Julie Najuk	Councillor Paul Hughes
	Councillor Michael Adams	Councillor Alison Hunt
	Councillor Roy Allan	Councillor Darren Maltby
	Councillor Sandra Barnes	Councillor Viv McCrossen
	Councillor Stuart Bestwick	Councillor Marje Paling
	Councillor David Brocklebank	Councillor Michael Payne
	Councillor John Clarke	Councillor Lynda Pearson
	Councillor Jim Creamer	Councillor Sue Pickering
	Councillor Andrew Dunkin	Councillor Catherine Pope
	Councillor Boyd Elliott	Councillor Grahame Pope
	Councillor David Ellis	Councillor Kyle Robinson-Payne
	Councillor Rachael Ellis	Councillor Martin Smith
	Councillor Roxanne Ellis	Councillor Sam Smith
	Councillor Andrew Ellwood	Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton
	Councillor Paul Feeney	Councillor Jane Walker
	Councillor Kathryn Fox	Councillor Henry Wheeler
	Councillor Helen Greensmith	Councillor Russell Whiting
	Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth	Councillor Paul Wilkinson

Absent: Councillor Alex Scroggie and Councillor Ruth Strong

1 THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The Mayor's Chaplain, Father Philipp Ziomek, addressed council and gave a reading.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Alex Scroggie and Councillor Ruth Strong.

3 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor addressed the council and gave a short speech. He expressed his pride and privilege in being the mayor over the last year and gave thanks to the people who supported him. He noted his thanks to his Chaplain, Democratic Services and to Councillor Viv McCrossen in particular. He noted how happy he had been to support the charities who help the residents of the borough. The Mayor noted he had raised £11,650.25 for his chosen charity, Parkinsons UK, and invited a representative from the charity to the lectern to say a few words.

4 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

5 TO ELECT A MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Councillor Clarke proposed that Councillor Kyle Robinson-Payne be elected as the Mayor of Gedling for the forthcoming year, this was seconded by Councillor Hollingsworth.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Kyle Robinson-Payne be elected Mayor for the Borough of Gedling for the ensuing year.

Councillor Kyle Robinson-Payne signed the declaration of acceptance and thanked the Council.

Councillor Kyle Robinson-Payne, as Mayor, adjourned the meeting to allow the transfer of the chain of office and robes.

Meeting adjourned at 18:35
Meeting returned at 18:40

The meeting was resumed with Councillor Kyle Robinson-Payne in the Chair.

He confirmed that he would be having a joint chaplain with Father Philip Ziomek of Good Shepherd church in Woodthorpe, and Reverend Liam O’Kane from St Pauls Church in Daybrooke sharing the role of Chaplin for the next municipal year.

The Mayor nominated Motor Neurone Disease Association as his charity for the municipal year. A representative for the charity gave a speech to confirm their charities mission and aims and congratulated the Mayor on his new role.

6 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE OUTGOING MAYOR

A vote of thanks was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Hollingsworth to the outgoing Mayor.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Ron McCrossen and his consort, Councillor Viv McCrossen, be thanked for their work undertaken during the 2024/25 term of office.

7 TO APPOINT A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

The Mayor invited nominations for Deputy Mayor.

Councillor Clarke proposed that Councillor Sandra Barnes be Deputy Mayor for the 2025/26 mayoral year, which was seconded by Councillor Hollingsworth.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Sandra Barnes be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Gedling for the ensuing year.

Councillor Sandra Barnes signed the declaration of acceptance and thanked the Council.

8 TO APPOINT A YOUTH MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

The Mayor welcomed Lydia Yates as the newly elected Gedling Youth Mayor to the lectern to give a speech. Stella Clarke, the outgoing Youth Mayor gave a medallion to Lydia.

9 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE OUTGOING YOUTH MAYOR

The Mayor thanked Stella Clarke for their work during the last year as Gedling Youth Mayor and invited them to the lectern to give a speech.

10 TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF PORTFOLIO HOLDERS AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE CABINET

Councillor Clarke informed the Council of the appointments of Deputy Leader and his Cabinet as detailed at appendix 1 to the report.

11 TO RECOGNISE LEADERS OF POLITICAL GROUPS

Labour Group
Proposed by Councillor Hollingsworth

Conservative Group
Proposed by Councillor Elliott.

Liberal Democrat Group
Proposed by Councillor Ellwood

RESOLVED:

That:

- 1) Councillor Clarke be recognised as the Leader of the Labour Group and Leader of the Council; and

- 2) Councillor Adams be recognised as Leader of the Conservative Group;
and
- 3) Councillor Hughes be recognised as Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group

12 TO APPROVE THE SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Hollingsworth that the schedule of meetings for the ensuing year be approved.

RESOLVED:

To approve the schedule of meetings for the 2025/26 municipal year.

13 TO APPOINT THE CHAIRS, VICE-CHAIRS AND MEMBERSHIPS OF SCRUTINY COMMITTEE, STANDARDS ORDINARY COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Hollingsworth that the membership of the scrutiny committee, standing ordinary committees and sub-committees of the Council, be approved.

RESOLVED:

To appoint to the Council's scrutiny committee, standing ordinary committees and sub-committees as at appendix 1.

14 TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Payne that the appointment for representatives to outside bodies be as detailed in the agenda pack.

RESOLVED:

To appoint representatives of the Council to outside bodies, as per appendix 1

The meeting finished at 7.41 pm

Signed by Chair:

Date: