



**REPORT TO: ANNUAL COUNCIL**

**FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**DATE: 4<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

**PORTFOLIOS AFFECTED: All**

**WARDS AFFECTED: All**

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**TITLE OF REPORT**

**THE MAYORALTY 2020/21**

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### **1. PURPOSE**

To consider arrangements for the nominations to office of Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

### **2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Annual Council:

1. Confirms the appointment of Councillor Iftakhar Hussain as Mayor of the Borough for 2020/21; and
2. Confirms that in accordance with the rotation arrangements agreed at Annual Council in May 2018 that it is the Conservative Group's turn to nominate the Deputy Mayor for 2020/21 and notes the appointment made earlier in the meeting.

### **3. BACKGROUND**

Annual Council formally appoints Members of the Council to the office of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming Municipal year. The Member appointed to the position of Deputy Mayor is normally appointed to the office of Mayor in the following year.

At previous meetings of the Council Forum it has been agreed that the rotation of the nomination to the Office of Mayor between the political groups be based on proportionality of the Council, and an agreed rotation would be set for the next five years.

Annual Council in May 2018 determined the rotation arrangements for 2018/19 onwards. The rotation for the next 5 years was determined as follows:

2018/19 Labour  
2019/20 Labour  
2020/21 Labour  
2021/22 Conservative  
2022/23 Labour

A report on the appointment of the Mayor is submitted to the Annual Council each year, and in the event that the proportionality of the Council changes going forward

in a way that would affect the nomination of Mayor for a particular year, a report on this matter would be submitted for Council's consideration.

In accordance with the above, it would be for the Labour Group to nominate the Mayor for 2020, who in line with usual practice would be the serving Deputy Mayor, which in this case is Councillor Iftakhar Hussain.

As referred to above, it is also the turn of the Conservative Group to nominate the Deputy Mayor for 2020/21.

#### **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Office of Mayor is funded from the Council's annual budget..

#### **5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Office of Mayor is provided for in the Council's Constitution.

#### **6. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

None

#### **7. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS**

None

#### **8. CONSULTATIONS**

None

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