

THE CHARTER TRUSTEES FOR BOURNEMOUTH

Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 May 2025 at 11.15 am

Present:-

Cllr G Farquhar – Mayor

Cllr A Filer – Deputy Mayor

Present: Cllr C Adams, Cllr H Allen, Cllr M Andrews, Cllr S Armstrong, Cllr S Bartlett, Cllr J Beesley, Cllr P Broadhead, Cllr D Brown, Cllr R Burton, Cllr P Canavan, Cllr S Carr-Brown, Cllr E Connolly, Cllr M Dower, Cllr J Edwards, Cllr D Farr, Cllr R Herrett, Cllr G Martin, Cllr J Martin, Cllr A-M Moriarty, Cllr B Nanovo, Cllr L Northover, Cllr J Richardson, Cllr K Salmon, Cllr T Slade and Cllr L Williams

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Olivia Brown, Simon Bull, John Challinor, David d'Orton-Gibson, Jeff Hanna, Alasdair Keddie, Karen Rampton, Chris Rigby, Joe Salmon and Kieron Wilson.

2. Declarations of Interests

None.

3. Charter Mayor's Communications

The Mayor reflected on his Mayoral year and in doing so thanked the Deputy Mayor, the Civic Team, his partner Alison and Ward Colleagues for their support.

The Mayor confirmed that he had attended 208 engagements over his Mayoral term, with highlights of the year including:

- Recognition of charities and community groups in Bournemouth;
- Attendance at events with his canine consort, Billy;
- Becoming a Scout;
- Running a half marathon for Dorset Council Care Foundation;
- A 100th park run with Billy;
- Visits to multiple primary schools to discuss neurodiversity and to highlight the importance of inclusivity;
- Receipt of various gifts including a handcrafted Mayor Bear and artwork from local schoolchildren;
- Receipt of the first full-size portrait of a Bournemouth Mayor in over 100 years, which was to be gifted to the people of Bournemouth;
- Touring of Bournemouth on a motorcycle.

The Mayor concluded by wishing his successor success in the year ahead.

4. Election of Mayor

Councillor Stephen Bartlett proposed Councillor Jackie Edwards for Mayor of Bournemouth for the municipal year 2025/26. This was seconded by Councillor Parick Canavan, put to the vote and unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Jackie Edwards be elected Mayor of Bournemouth for 2025/26.

Voting: Unanimous.

5. Election of Deputy Mayor

Councillor Richard Burton proposed Councillor George Farquhar for Deputy Mayor of Bournemouth for the municipal 2025/26. This was seconded by Councillor Eleanor Connolly, put to the vote and unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: That Councillor George Farquhar be elected Deputy Mayor of Bournemouth for 2025/26.

Voting: Unanimous.

6. Appointment of one representative and one substitute to the Association for Charter Trustee Towns (ACTT)

Nominations were sought for the appointment of one representative and one substitute to the Association for Charter Trustee Towns (ACTT) for the municipal year 2025/26. Councillor Lawrence Williams was proposed, seconded, put the vote and unanimously agreed.

A substitute would continue to be sought.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Lawrence Williams be appointed as representative to the Association for Charter Trustee Towns (ACTT) for 2025/26.

Voting: Unanimous.

7. Appointment of two Budget Signatories

Nominations were sought for the appointment of two budget signatories for the municipal year 2025/26.

Councillor Anne Filer proposed Councillor Stephen Bartlett and Councillor Jackie Edwards proposed Councillor Lawrence Williams for the roles. These nominations were seconded, put to the vote and unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Lawrence Williams and Councillor Stephen Bartlett be appointed as budget signatories for the municipal year 2025/26.

Voting: Unanimous.

8. Appointment of a Charter Trustee to undertake Bank Statement Verifications

Nominations were sought for the appointment of a Charter Trustee to undertake Bank Statement Verifications for the municipal year 2025/26. Councillor Cameron Adams nominated Councillor Duane Farr. This was seconded, put to the vote and unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Duane Farr be appointed as the Charter Trustee to undertake bank statement verifications for 2025/26.

Voting: Unanimous.

9. Attendance at meetings and requests for removal received

The Honorary Clerk introduced the report and recommendations as set out in the report.

RESOLVED:

1. **That the attendance record attached as appendix 1 to the report be noted; and**
2. **That Councillor Adrian Chapmanlaw and Councillor Rachel Pattinson-West be removed as Charter Trustees of Bournemouth.**

Voting: Unanimous.

10. Calendar of Meetings 2025-26

Consideration was given to the proposed dates and times for Charter Trustee meetings in the municipal year 2025/26 and it was:

RESOLVED: That the proposed meeting dates for 2025/26 be approved as follows.

(all meetings to begin at 6pm unless otherwise specified):

Tuesday 24 June 2025
Thursday 23 October 2025
Wednesday 28 January 2026
Tuesday 26 May 2026 (11:15am)

Voting: Unanimous.

The meeting ended at 12.30 pm

MAYOR