



Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 18 May 2010 at 7.30pm

Present:-

Councillor Carolyn Heaps (Mayor) in the Chair

Councillors Margaret Bannister, Michael Bloom, David Elkin, Barbara Goodall, Andrew Goodwin, Nigel Goodyear, Jon Harris, Carolyn Heaps, Alex Hough, Sandie Howlett, Rebecca Madell, Gill Mattock, Harun Miah, Mary Pooley, Dan Purchase, Margaret Salisbury, Neil Stanley, Greg Szanto, Susan Tarrant, Barry Taylor, Troy Tester, Mike Thompson, David Tutt, Steve Wallis and Olive Woodall.

15. Apologies for Absence. Apologies for absence were reported from Councillors Belsey and Marsden.

16. Councillor Tarrant. On behalf of the Council, the Mayor congratulated Councillor Susan Tarrant (formally Morris) on her wedding last Saturday and wished her and new husband Paul every happiness.

17. Disclosures of Interests. No interests were disclosed by members.

18. Parliamentary Election held on 6 May 2010. The Council received the report of the Chief Executive and Acting Returning Officer on the result of the election held on 6 May 2010 and related statistical information. The Chief Executive advised that some comments had been received with regard to the stacking of ballots at the count and we would learn from this and issue revised guidance for the next election. He thanked members, staff and volunteers for their contributions in helping to run a successful election process.

It was moved by Councillor Tutt, seconded by Councillor Elkin, and;

Resolved: That the report be noted.

19. Probity in Planning – A Local Code of Practice. Councillor Madell reported on behalf of the Planning Committee. It was proposed by Councillor Madell, seconded by Councillor Goodyear and;

Resolved: That the revised Probity and Planning protocol be approved.

20. Corporate Plan. Councillor Tutt reported on behalf of the Cabinet who had approved the draft Corporate Plan on 31 March 2010. Since then, the plan had received a range of amendments which were summarised in a supplementary report. The Corporate Plan now focused the Council's key activity on the four new priority themes of Prosperous Economy, Thriving Communities, Quality Environment and Sustainable Performance. Councillor Elkin welcomed the fact that the plan had also been revised following a review for plain English content by volunteer representatives from the Council's community engagement groups.

It was proposed by Councillor Tutt, seconded by Councillor Mattock and;

Resolved: That the 2010-2015 Corporate Plan be approved, noting that the plan would remain a 'live' document and the data contained within it, refined and updated throughout its lifespan.

- 21. Treasury Management.** Councillor Mattock reported on behalf of the Cabinet. It was proposed by Councillor Mattock, seconded by Councillor Elkin and;

Resolved: That the following, as set out in the Chief Finance Officers' report to the Cabinet, be approved:

1. The new CIPFA treasury management code of practice.
2. The treasury management policy statement.
3. The treasury management scheme of delegation.
4. The treasury management role of the section 151 Officer.
5. The treasury management strategy and annual investment strategy.
6. The specified and non-specified investment categories.
7. The prudential and treasury indicators.
8. The methodology for calculating the minimum revenue provision.

- 22. Leased Cars for Employees.** Councillor Tester reported on behalf of the Cabinet. It was proposed by Councillor Tester, seconded by Councillor Howlett and;

Resolved: That the recommended change to the corporate conditions of service for employees be approved.

- 22. Minutes of Council Bodies and Items for Discussion.** The minutes of the following Council Bodies were submitted to this meeting:-

Conservation Area Advisory Group	23 February and 6 April 2010
Planning Committee	2 March, 30 March and 20 April 2010
Audit Committee	15 March 2010
Cabinet	31 March 2010
Scrutiny Committee	12 April 2010
Standards Committee	20 April 2010

No items from the above minutes were raised for discussion. Therefore, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14.3 it was moved by Councillor Tutt, seconded by Councillor Elkin, and;

Resolved: That the minutes of the above Council Bodies be accepted.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm

**Councillor Carolyn Joan Heaps,
Mayor, Chairman**

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