

Minutes

Name of meeting ANNUAL COUNCIL

Date and time

Venue COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT

WEDNESDAY, 18 MAY 2011 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM

Cllrs Ian Stephens (Chairman), Barry Abraham, Jonathan Bacon, Present Reg Barry, Peter Bingham, George Brown, George Cameron, Dawn Cousins, Roger Dixcey, Rodney Downer, Stuart Dyer, Paul Fuller, Edward Giles, John Hobart, Richard Hollis, John Howe, Humby. Tim Hunter-Henderson, Julie Jones-Evans. Heather Patrick Joyce, David Knowles, Geoff Lumley, Roger Mazillius, Lora Peacey-Wilcox, David Pugh, Colin Richards, Susan Scoccia, Andy Sutton, Arthur Taylor, Gary Taylor, lan Ward. Margaret Webster, Chris Welsford, Jerry White, Wayne Whittle, David Whittaker, David Williams

Apologies Cllrs Vanessa Churchman, David Stewart

1. Suspension of Procedure Rule 14(4)

Council considered a motion to formally suspend Procedure Rule 14(4) for agenda items 1, 2 and 6, which would enable the suspension of usual time limits for speeches.

RESOLVED ;

THAT Procedure Rule 14(4) in as far as it relates to the length of speeches be suspended for agenda items 1, 2 and 6 for the duration of the meeting.

2. <u>Election of Chairman</u>

Councillor David Williams was proposed and seconded as Chairman of the Council. There being no other nominations it was

RESOLVED :

THAT Councillor David Williams be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Councillor Williams thanked Members for their support and appointed Jilly Wood as his Consort, the Revd Kevin Arkell was appointed as the Chairman's Chaplain. His nominated charities for the year were the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance and Barely Born.

Councillor Williams formally declared his acceptance of office and took the Chair.

Tributes were made to the outgoing Chairman and the Past Chairman's badge was presented.

Councillor Stephens had circulated a written report and thanked everyone for their support throughout the year.

3. <u>Election of Vice Chairman</u>

Councillor Susan Scoccia was proposed and seconded as Vice Chairman of the Council. There being no further nominations it was

RESOLVED :

THAT Councillor Susan Scoccia be elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

Councillor Susan Scoccia formally declared her acceptance of office, thanked Members for their support and appointed Felice Scoccia as her Consort.

4. Minutes

RESOLVED :

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on <u>20 April 2011</u> be confirmed.

5. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations received at this stage.

6. **Chairman's Report**

The Chairman advised he had nothing to report at this time.

7. Appointments and Constitutional Issues

An updated copy of recommendations had been e-mailed to all members, which included recommendations on proposed appointments, a list of plans and strategies for which full Council was responsible for adopting and approving. There were also suggested minor changes to the Constitution relating to Members job profiles, the appointment Cabinet Secretaries and the call-in procedure relating to that.

A proposal was put forward that a separate vote be taken on each recommendation. The proposal was put to the vote and was lost.

There was then a proposal to vote on the appointment of the Chairman for the Planning Committee as a separate item. The proposal was put to the vote and was carried.

Councillors Richard Hollis and Arthur Taylor were then proposed and seconded for the position of Chairman of the Planning Committee. Councillor Taylor declined to accept the nomination. The proposal was put to the vote and was :

RESOLVED:

THAT Councillor Richard Hollis be appointed as Chairman to the Planning Committee.

Following further discussion on the remainder of the proposal it was :

RESOLVED:

THAT Council approve :

- (a) That there be no changes to the Committee structure of the Council and appoint to the following:
 - (i) Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Committee Councillor Wayne Whittle;
 - (ii) Chairman of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel Councillor George Cameron;
 - (iii) Chairman of the Economy and Environment Scrutiny Panel – Councillor Ian Ward;
 - (iv) Chairman of the Health and Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel Councillor Margaret Webster;
 - (v) Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee Councillor Julie Jones-Evans;
 - (vi) Chairman of the Licensing and General Purposes Committee – Councillor Susan Scoccia;
 - (vii) Chairman of the Audit Committee Councillor Julie Jones-Evans;
 - (viii) Chairman of the Isle of Wight Pension Fund Committee Councillor Roger Mazillius.
- (b) THAT the payment of a Special Responsibility Allowance to any member/s appointed to the post of Cabinet Secretary at a multiplier of 1.25, with the caveat that should Council set the multiplier at an alternative rate, having considered a report of the Independent Remuneration Panel, such allowance will be backdated to the date of appointment and either an additional payment made or monies recouped, as appropriate;
- (c) THAT should the Leader appoint to the role of Cabinet Secretary, the instruction of the Independent Remuneration Panel to review the post of Cabinet Secretary and provide a report to Council with a recommendation for the Special Responsibility Allowance for the role to be added to the Members Allowances Scheme;

- (d) THAT the scheme of delegation as detailed in Appendix A;
- (e) THAT the following amendments to the Constitution:
 - Members Job Profiles F: Cabinet Secretaries page 16. As set out in Appendix B.
 - (ii) The call-in procedure page 167 paragraph 1: Additional sub-paragraph: "1 (a) (v) the appointment of Cabinet Secretaries."
- (f) THAT the revision of the list of plans and strategies for which the full Council is responsible for adopting and approving in Article 4 paragraph 1(a) as follows:
 - (i) The Council's Corporate Plan;
 - (ii) The Sustainable Community Strategy;
 - (iii) The Children's and Young People's Plan;
 - (iv) Community Care Plan;
 - (v) Economic Development Policy;
 - (vi) Community Safety Partnership Plan;
 - (vii) The Local Plan;
 - (viii) Youth Justice Plan;
 - (ix) Local Transport Plan;
 - (x) Housing Investment Plan;
 - (xi) Quality Protects Management Action Plan;
 - (xii) The Housing Strategy;
 - (xiii) The Fire and Rescue Authority Integrated Risk Management Plan;
 - (xiv) Gambling Act: Statement of Licensing Policy.

8. <u>Ethical Standards Committee Annual Report 2010 – 2011</u>

The Chairman of the Ethical Standards Committee introduced the 2010 – 2011 Ethical Standards Committee Annual Report.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Ethical Standards Committee Annual Report 2010-2011 be noted.

9. Programme of Meetings for the Forthcoming Year

The proposed dates for future Council meetings were considered. It was noted that there was no proposed meeting for April 2011. Councillor Stephens proposed an amendment to the motion as follows :

That a meeting of the Full Council be held on 3^{rd} Wednesday of April 2012.

Following a vote the amendment was lost.

There was some discussion in relation to the start time of the February 2012 budget meeting. Councillor Lumley proposed an amendment to the motion as follows :

That Full Council (Budget) meeting due to be held on 29 February 2012 commence at 5.00 pm. All other meeting of the Full Council continue to commence at 6.00 pm.

A vote was then taken on the amendment and it was

RESOLVED

That Full Council (Budget) meeting due to be held on 29 February 2012 commence at 5.00 pm. All other meeting of the Full Council continue to commence at 6.00 pm.

The amended motion then became the substantive motion to which the council gave consideration and following the vote it was :-

RESOLVED :

THAT the following dates and times be approved:

15 June 2011 (6.00 pm) 20 July 2011 (6.00 pm) 21 September 2011 (6.00 pm) 19 October 2011 (6.00 pm) 16 November 2011 (6.00 pm) 25 January 2012 (6.00 pm) 29 February 2012 (Budget Council) (5.00 pm) 21 March 2012 (6.00 pm) 16 May 2012 (Annual Council) (6.00 pm)

CHAIRMAN