

Council

Minutes

Tuesday, 17 May 2016 at 19:00

PRESENT :

His Worship the Mayor Councillor Bird (in the Chair); Councillors Andrews, Annison, Bensly, Borg, Carpenter, B Coleman, M Coleman, Connell, Davis, Fairhead, Flaxman - Taylor, Grant, A Grey, K Grey, Hacon, Hammond, Hanton, Jeal, Jones, Lawn, Mavroudis, Myers, Plant, Pratt, Reynolds, Robinson-Payne, Rodwell, Smith, Stenhouse, Thirtle, Wainwright, Walch, Walker, Waters-Bunn, Weymouth, Williamson and Wright.

Also in Attendance :-

Mrs S Oxtoby (Interim Chief Executive Officer), Mr C Skinner (Monitoring Officer), Mrs J Beck (Director of Customer Services), Mr R Read (Director of Housing and Neighbourhoods), Mrs K Watts (Transformation Programme Manager), Mr R Hodds (Corporate Governance Manager).

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Cutting.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3 REPORTS TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION

a APPOINTMENT OF LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Proposer : Councillor Wainwright
Seconder : Councillor Jeal

That a recorded vote be taken in relation to this item.

LOST

Proposer : Councillor Connell
Seconded : Councillor Myers

That Councillor K Grey be appointed as Leader of the Council for 2016/17.

LOST

Proposer : Councillor B Coleman
Seconded : Councillor Carpenter

That Councillor Plant be appointed as Leader of the Council for 2016/17.

CARRIED

Proposer : Councillor Hacon
Seconded : Councillor A Grey

That Councillor K Grey be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council for 2016/17.

LOST

Proposer : Councillor B Coleman
Seconded : Councillor Smith

That Councillor Carpenter be appointed as Deputy Leader for 2016/17.

CARRIED

b ARTICLES OF THE CONSTITUTION

The Monitoring Officer reported that the Articles of the revised Constitution had not included reference to the Area Museums Committee and to the Joint Consultative Committee. Accordingly Council now considered the proposed Articles for inclusion in the Council's revised Constitution.

Proposer : Councillor K Grey
Seconded : Councillor Plant

That the proposed Articles for inclusion in the revised Constitution relating to the Area Museums Committee and to the Joint Consultative Committee be agreed.

CARRIED

c COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS 2016-17

Council gave consideration to the appointment of Members to the various Council Committees for the Municipal year 2016/17

Proposer : Councillor Plant
Seconder : Councillor B Coleman

That the following appointments be agreed :-

Policy and Resources - Councillors Annison, Carpenter, B Coleman, A Grey, K Grey, Hacon, Jeal, Plant, Smith, Thirtle, Wainwright, Walker and Williamson.

Economic Development Committee - Councillors B Coleman, Grant, K Grey, Hammond, Hanton, Jeal, Reynolds, Pratt, Stenhouse, Thirtle, Wainwright, Walch and Walker.

Environment Committee - Councillors Annison, Bensly, Fairhead, Hacon, Hanton, Grant, Jones, Pratt, Smith, Walch, Waters-Bunn, Weymouth and Wright.

Housing and Neighbourhoods Committee - Councillors Borg, Carpenter, M Coleman, Flaxman - Taylor, Grant, K Grey, Hacon, Mavroudis, Robinson - Payne, Rodwell, Walch, Waters - Bunn and Williamson.

Development Control Committee - Councillors Andrews, Annison, Fairhead, Flaxman-Taylor, Grant, A Grey, Hammond, Hanton, Reynolds, Thirtle, Wainwright, Williamson and Wright.

Licensing Committee - Councillors Annison, Bensly, Borg, M Coleman, Fairhead, A Grey, Jones, Lawn, Mavroudis, Robinson-Payne, Stenhouse, Walker and Weymouth.

Standards Committee - Councillors Andrews, M Coleman, Davis, A Grey and Lawn.

Audit and Risk Committee - Councillors Flaxman - Taylor, Grant, A Grey, K Grey, Hammond, Jeal, Myers, Thirtle and Waters-Bunn.

Appeals Committee - Councillors Andrews, Carpenter, Flaxman-Taylor, Hacon and Robinson Payne.

Local Plan Working Party - Councillors Andrews, Annison, B Coleman, Fairhead, Grant, Hanton, Hammond, Myers, Reynolds, Wainwright and Williamson.

Joint Consultative Committee - Councillors Carpenter, Hacon, Lawn, Stenhouse and Waters-Bunn.

Area Museums Committee - Councillors Connell, Cutting, K Grey, Jeal, Lawn, Mavroudis, Myers and Robinson - Payne.

Civic Working Group - Councillors Connell, B Coleman, Fairhead, Myers and Hacon.

CARRIED

d APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES 2016-17

Council gave consideration to the appointment of Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Committees for 2016/17.

Further to the report included on the Council agenda, Councillor A Grey asked Council to consider proposed amendments to the Appointments of Chairs and Vice Chairs.

Proposer : Councillor A Grey
Seconder : Councillor Hammond

That the following amendments be made to the Appointment of Chairs and Vice Chairs for 2016/17 :-

Economic Development Committee - Councillor Hammond to be Vice Chair instead of Councillor Jeal.

Housing and Neighbourhoods Committee - Councillor Grant to be Vice Chair instead of Councillor Williamson.

Licensing Committee - Councillor A Grey to be Chair instead of Councillor Walker.

Standards Committee - Councillor M Coleman to be Chair instead of Councillor A Grey.

Appeals Committee - Councillor Flaxman - Taylor to be Chair instead of Councillor Robinson Payne.

Area Museums Committee - Councillor Mavroudis to be Vice Chair instead of Councillor Robinson - Payne.

Civic Working Group - Councillor B Coleman to be Vice Chair instead of Councillor M Coleman.

CARRIED

Proposer : Councillor Plant
Seconder : Councillor B Coleman

That the following appointments be made for the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Committees for 2016/17 :-

Policy and Resources - Councillor Plant to be Chair and Councillor Thirtle to be Vice Chair.

Economic Development Committee - Councillor B Coleman to be Chair and Councillor Hammond to be Vice Chair.

Environment Committee - Councillor Smith to be Chair and Councillor Hacon to be Vice Chair.

Housing and Neighbourhoods Committee - Councillor Carpenter to be Chair and Councillor Grant to be Vice Chair.

Development Control Committee - Councillor Annison to be Chair and Councillor Hanton to be Vice Chair.

Licensing Committee - Councillor A Grey to be Chair and Councillor M Coleman to be Vice Chair.

Standards Committee - Councillor M Coleman to be Chair and Councillor Lawn to be Vice Chair.

Audit and Risk Committee - Councillor K Grey to be Chair and Councillor Grant to be Vice Chair.

Appeals Committee - Councillor Flaxman - Taylor to be Chair and Councillor Andrews to be Vice Chair.

Local Plan Working Party - Councillor Annison to be Chair and Councillor Hanton to be Vice Chair.

Joint Consultative Committee - Councillor Carpenter to be Chair and Councillor Stenhouse to be Vice Chair.

Area Museums Committee - Councillor Lawn to be Chair and Councillor Mavroudis to be Vice Chair.

Civic Working Group - Councillor Fairhead to be Chair and Councillor B Coleman to be Vice Chair.

CARRIED

Councillor Wainwright expressed his comments in respect of the amendments to the Chairs and Vice Chairs as now agreed by Council and expressed his concern in the manner in which these proposed amendments had now been determined.

e APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2016-17

Council considered the appointment of representatives for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

Proposer : Councillor Plant
Seconder : Councillor B Coleman

That the appointments to Outside Bodies, where there are more nominations than there are seats available, be those representatives as nominated by the Conservative and UKIP Groups, although there are some exceptions where the Council will have to formally agree to the nominated representatives and these are The Broads Authority IDB, The Community Association Management Committee - South Yarmouth, The Community Association Management Committee - Claydon Pavilion and the Neighbourhood Management Board - Make It Happen (Southtown, Cobholm and Halfway House), and that the Outside Bodies vacancies where there is a nomination or nominations for the correct number of seats (ie unopposed) be agreed en bloc.

CARRIED

Proposer : Councillor Myers
Seconded : Councillor Wright

That Councillor Fairhead be appointed to the Broads IDB

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Proposer : Councillor Reynolds
Seconded : Councillor Andrews

That Mr J Shrimplin be appointed to the Broads IDB

CARRIED

Proposer : Councillor Wainwright
Seconded : Councillor Walker

That Councillor Jeal be appointed to the Community Association Management Committee - South Yarmouth.

CARRIED

Proposer : Councillor Jeal
Seconded : Councillor Robinson - Payne

That Councillor Williamson be appointed to the Community Association Management Committee - Claydon Pavilion.

CARRIED

Proposer : Councillor Myers
Seconded : Councillor K Grey

That Councillor Connell be appointed to the Neighbourhood Management Board - Make It Happen (Southtown, Cobholm and Halfway House).

CARRIED

Proposer : Councillor Plant
Seconder : Councillor B Coleman

That the following appointments to the Outside Bodies be agreed :-

A47 Alliance - Councillor Plant

Bowls Tournament Working Party - Councillors Cutting and Fairhead

Broads Authority - Councillor Thirtle

Broads Internal Drainage Board - Councillors Andrews, M Coleman, Thirtle, Walch and Weymouth and Mr J Shrimplin.

Chamber of Commerce - Norfolk (Great Yarmouth Committee) Chamber Council - Councillors B Coleman and K Grey.

Coastal Partnership East - Councillor Smith

Community Association Management Committee - South Yarmouth - Councillors Jeal and Stenhouse

Community Association Management Committee - Claydon Pavilion - Councillors Rodwell and Williamson.

Community Rail Partnership - Mr M Taylor

Community Safety (Great Yarmouth) Ltd (CCTV Co) - Councillor Hanton

East Anglia Port Welfare Committee - Councillor Borg

East of England LGA - Councillor Plant

Economic Reference Group - Councillors Plant, K Grey, Wainwright and Myers

EnterpriseGY Board - Councillor B Coleman

Gorleston Poor Land Trustees - Councillors Flaxman - Taylor and Wright and Mr B Watts

Great Yarmouth and Rambouillet Twinning Association - Councillors M Coleman, B Coleman and Hacon.

Great Yarmouth Development Company - Councillor Plant

Great Yarmouth Marketing Initiative - Councillor B Coleman

Great Yarmouth Municipal Charities - Councillors Jeal, Robinson-Payne,

Stenhouse and Walch

Great Yarmouth Preservation Trust - Councillors M Coleman, B Coleman, Cutting, A Grey and Williamson.

Great Yarmouth Racecourse - Councillors Hammond and Smith

Great Yarmouth Sports Council - Councillors Cutting, Hanton and Williamson.

Great Yarmouth Transport & Infrastructure Steering Group (formerly Car Parking Strategy Steering Group) - Councillors B Coleman, A Grey, Jeal.

Greater Yarmouth Tourism & Business Improvement Area Ltd/ Interim Board of Directors - Councillors B Coleman, Hammond, Jeal and Mavroudis

GY & Waveney Systems Leadership Partnership - Councillor Carpenter

GY Norse Company Board - Councillor Carpenter

GY Norse Liaison Board - Councillors Carpenter, Grant and Hacon

GYB Services Company Board - Councillor Smith

GYB Services Liaison Board - Councillors K Grey and Smith

High School Foundation - Councillor Williamson (4 Year Period 2014-2018)

James Paget Healthcare NHS Trust (Governors' Council) - Councillor Flaxman - Taylor

Local Authority Trading Company Board (for development of Beacon Park Housing) - Councillor Plant

Local Authority Trading Company Board (for development of Beacon Park Housing)/Shareholder Committee - Councillors Annison, Andrews, Borg, Carpenter, Flaxman - Taylor, Grant, K Grey, Hammond, Lawn, Thirtle, Wainwright, Walker and Williamson.

Local Government Association - Coastal Issues - Councillor Plant

Local Government Association - General Assembly - Councillor Plant

Neighbourhood Management Board - MESH (Gorleston) - Councillors Flaxman - Taylor and K Grey

Neighbourhood Management Boards - Make It Happen (Southtown, Cobholm and Halfway House) - Councillors Connell and Waters-Bunn

Neighbourhood Management Boards - Councillors Stenhouse and Walch

Nelson Museum Management Board - Councillors Cutting and K Grey

New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership - Councillor Plant

Norfolk Archaeological Unit Advisory Committee - Councillor Mavroudis

Norfolk Coast Partnership (Joint Advisory Panel) - Councillors Hanton

Norfolk County Joint Museums Committee - Councillor Lawn

Norfolk Health and Wellbeing Board - Councillor Carpenter

Norfolk Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee - Councillor Weymouth

Norfolk Parking Partnership Joint Committee - Councillor M Coleman

Norfolk Rail Group - Mr M Taylor

Norfolk Records Committee - Councillor M Coleman

Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework - Councillor Annison

Norfolk Waste Partnership - Councillor Grant

Older Peoples Partnership - Councillor Carpenter

Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London Adjudication Joint Committee (PATROL AJC) - Councillor Plant

Police and Crime Panel - Councillor Stenhouse and Councillor Hammond (Sub)

SeaChange Board - Councillor B Coleman

Sentinel Leisure Trust - Councillors Stenhouse and Walsh

Sentinel Leisure Trust Partnership Board - Councillor Wainwright

St George's Trust - Councillor Plant

Town Centre Company (Great Yarmouth) Ltd - Councillor B Coleman

Waveney, Lower Yare and Lothingland Internal Drainage Board - Councillors Andrews, Annison and Lawn

Youth Advisory Board - Councillor Mavroudis

CARRIED

f APPOINTMENT OF COUNTING OFFICER FOR THE EU REFERENDUM TO BE HELD ON 23 JUNE 2016

Proposer : Councillor Plant
Seconder : Councillor K Grey

That Mrs J Beck, Director of Customer Services, be appointed as the Counting Officer for the EU Referendum on the 23 June 2016.

CARRIED

g ELECTIONS 2016

Council received for information the Deputy Returning Officer's report which detailed the results of the Local Elections held on Thursday 5 May 2016. Councillor Wainwright recorded his thanks and appreciation to all staff for their work regarding the recent Local Elections.

h THE VENETIAN WATERWAYS AND BOATING LAKE PROJECT

Council considered the Director of Housing and Neighbourhood's report which asked Members to approve the development of the Venetian Waterways and Boating Lake Project and to establish a dedicated Project Board to pursue a stage 2 application to the Heritage Lottery Fund in August 2016.

Proposer : Councillor Plant
Seconder : Councillor Jeal

(1) That approval be given to the pursuit of a stage 2 submission in August 2016 to the Heritage Lottery Fund based on the contents of the Director of Housing and Neighbourhoods report and with the noted match funding commitments in section 3 of the report.

(2) That approval be given to establish a dedicated Waterways Project Board to meet the requirements of the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Board to oversee the development of the project and will provide the Council with the ability to respond swiftly to project decisions to meet the funders requirements, and the project will form a "Key Project" for the Council and will be monitored and reported through corporate performance measures monthly.

(3) That Councillors B Coleman, Jones, Smith and Williamson be appointed to the Waterways Project Board, with one additional seat representing Great Yarmouth Preservation Trust and two further seats representing Community Stakeholders (Waterways Action Group and People of North Yarmouth) to fulfil requirements around partnership and community involvement.

CARRIED

4 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD 12 APRIL 2016

The Mayor presented the minutes of the Council meeting held on the 12 April

2016.

With regard to the item regarding Councillor Collins, the Leader reported on former Councillor Collins current state of health and Council agreed to send best wishes to him for a speedy recovery.

With regard to the item relating to the motion on the devolution deal for the East, Members noted that no response had been received as yet from the Minister for Communities and Local Government and Council agreed that the Corporate Governance Manager should pursue a response from the Minister on this matter.

With regard to the Council agreeing a motion in respect of the Councils comments on the British Steel Industry Councillor Wainwright asked that the response from the Prime Minister on this issue should be pursued.

With regard to devolution issues, Councillor Walker raised the issue of the devolution meeting held yesterday and whether the Council had been advised of the outcome of this meeting.

Proposer : Councillor K Grey
Seconder : Councillor Plant

That the Council minutes of the 12 April 2016 be agreed.

CARRIED

5 FORMER COUNCILLORS BATLEY AND SMITH

The Mayor referred to the recent deaths of former Councillors Cora Batley and Tony Smith and Members stood for one minute silence as a tribute to both former Members.

The meeting ended at: 20:10