

Minutes of the Council

Minutes of a meeting held on 26 July 2012 at the Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor D L Steadman (Mayor)

Councillor Mrs S M Bayford (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors:

B Bayford, Miss S M Bell, J V Bryant, Mrs P M Bryant, T M Cartwright, P J Davies, Mrs M E Ellerton, K D Evans, G Fazackarley, M J Ford, JP, J S Forrest, N R Gregory, Miss T Harper, Mrs C L A Hockley, T J Howard, L Keeble, T G Knight, A Mandry, Mrs K Mandry, D J Norris, Mrs S Pankhurst, R H Price, JP, D C S Swanbrow, Mrs K K Trott. N J

Walker, and P W Whittle, JP.

PRAYERS

The meeting opened with prayers led by the Mayor's Minister, Brian Rogers of the Highlands Road Baptist Church.

The prayers were followed by a minute's silence in remembrance of former Councillor Geoff Burr, who sadly passed away on Monday 9 July following a long illness.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE 1.

Apologies for absence were received by Councillors J M Englefield and S D T Woodward.

2. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the special Council meeting and the minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 June 2012 were presented to the Council. Subject to the inclusion of the additional Interest declared by Councillor Miss Bell at minute 6 of the 21 June 2012 Council meeting, as follows:

"Councillor Miss Bell also declared a Personal Interest for items 7 and 8 as she is a member of the Portchester Community Centre Task & Finish Panel,

but was not present at the meeting held on 21 May 2012; and was previously a Fareham Borough Council appointed representative on the Portchester Community School Management Committee";

it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Special meeting of the Council and meeting of the Council held on 21 June 2012 (<u>cl-120621-sp-m</u> and <u>cl-120621-m</u> refers) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor expressed his thanks to those who attended and helped at the recent Charity Festival at the Fareham Town Football Club. He stated that it was an enjoyable and successful day which raised approximately £500 for the Mayor's charity.

The Mayor confirmed that there would be no Mayor's tea party during August, with the next one being scheduled for Thursday 6th September 2012.

The Mayor announced that the Bangladeshi Festival will be held on Saturday 28th July 2012 at 77 Mill Road. It is now fully booked and has 60 people attending. All food and drink is being provided free of charge by the Bangladeshi Community.

4. EXECUTIVE LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There was no Executive Leader's announcement.

5. EXECUTIVE MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Executive Member announcements made.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

7. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

8. PETITIONS

There were no petitions presented at this meeting.

9. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE

The minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 18 June 2012 and 16 July 2012 were presented to the Council, together with a schedule of decisions made by individual Executive Members.

At the suggestion of the Executive Member for Strategic Planning and Environment, it was AGREED that the minutes of the Executive meeting of 18

June 2012 be referred back to the Executive to review minute 7(1) to consider the addition of the phrase:

"after a lengthy and rigorous debate, the Executive agreed to accept the recommendation of the Portchester Community Centre Task and Finish Panel"

for the decision at minute 7(1).

On the recommendation of the Executive contained in minute 10(1) of the meeting held on 16 July 2012: decision no. <u>2012/13-42</u> of 11 June 2012, it was declared CARRIED that:-

- (a) The Council notes and approves the comments and changes in response to the consultation comments received on the Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule at (as set out in Appendix B of the report (<u>xpt-120716-r01-lje</u> refers);
- (b) for a six week period of representations the Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule (as set out in Appendix D of the report, xpt-120716-r01 refers); be noted and approved; and
- (c) authority be granted to the Director of Planning and Environment, in consultation with the Executive Member for Strategic Planning and Environment, to make any necessary minor changes to the Draft Charging Schedule documents, and supporting documentation, prior to publication for representations and prior submitting to the examiner for public examination.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) the minutes of the Executive meeting held on 18 June 2012 (reference paper x-120618-m) be referred back to the Executive to consider the inclusion of the phrase "after a lengthy and rigorous debate the Executive agreed to accept the recommendation of the Portchester Community Centre Task and Finish panel" for the decision at minute 7(1);
- (b) the minutes of the Executive meeting held on 16 July 2012 (reference paper <u>x-120716-m</u>) be received;
- (c) the schedule of decisions made by individual Executive members (reference paper <u>cl-120726-xschedule</u>) be noted.

10. REPORT OF THE SCRUTINY BOARD

The minutes of the meeting of the Scrutiny Board held on 5 July and 6 July 2012 were presented to the meeting.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Scrutiny Board meeting held on 5 July and 6 July 2012 (reference papers <u>sb-120705-m</u> and <u>sb-120706-m</u>) be received.

11. REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES

The minutes of the following Committee meetings were presented to Council:-

(1)	Planning Committee	20 June 2012	<u>pc-120620-m</u>
(2)	Strategic Planning and Environment Policy Development and Review Panel	17 July 2012	<u>spe-120717-m</u>
(3)	Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel	12 July 2012	<u>ssp-120712-m</u>
(4)	Audit and Governance Committee	28 June 2012	<u>au-120628-m</u>
(5)	Housing Policy Development and Review Panel	19 July 2012	<u>hsg-120719-m</u>
(6)	Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee	29 May 2012	<u>lc-120529-m</u>
(7)	Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee	10 July 2012	<u>lc-120710-m</u>

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 20 June 2012 be received;
- (b) the minutes of the meeting of the Strategic Planning and Environment Policy Development and Review Panel held on 17 July 2012 be received;
- (c) the minutes of the meeting of the Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel held on 12 July 2012 be received;
- (d) the minutes of the Audit and Governance Committee held on 28 June 2012 be received;
- (e) the recommendation of the Audit and Governance Committee contained in minute 6 of 28 June 2012 regarding Compliance with the Local Code of Corporate Governance be accepted and confirmed that:
 - (i) the way in which the Council complies with the Local Code of Corporate Governance be noted;
 - (ii) the changed wording to requirement 6.1.3 in the Local Code of Corporate Governance, as given at paragraph 7, be adopted, and
 - (iii) the areas for improvement be endorsed;

- (f) the recommendation of the Audit and Governance Committee contained in minute 7 of 28 June 2012 regarding the Financial Regulations Update (copy of report <u>au-120628-r08-eha</u>) be accepted and confirmed that:
 - (i) paragraph 7.2.1 to include the word "clear" to indicate that reports should be written in "plain" English; and
 - (ii) paragraph 7.3.2 to ensure that the phrase "Annual Statement of Accounts" is properly titled with capital letters.
- (g) the minutes of the meeting of the Housing Policy Development and Review Panel held on 19 July 2012 be received;
- (h) the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee held on 29 May 2012 be received;
- (i) the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee held on 10 July 2012 be received.

12. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 17.2

There were two questions submitted for this meeting:

Question 1:

By Councillor R H Price JP:

"Having received a leaflet from MOTIV 8 which gives life chances for Young People, I see in their list of supporters are Hampshire, Gosport, Havant and Portsmouth Councils beside a number of other people and organisations. Therefore can the Executive Leader advise why Fareham Council does not give support to this worthy organisation as they do appear to do work within the Borough".

Response by the Executive Leader

Motiv8, official name Motiv8 South Ltd, is a charity that works with 13-19 year olds in partnership with other agencies offering both targeted and open access activities. Motiv8 was originally formed in 1998 under the name Portsmouth Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) to respond to the, then new, Crime and Disorder Act 1998 with a specific focus on young people's needs. The change of name to Motiv8 occurred in 2003.

Following a review of Youth Service provision last year and the subsequent consultation undertaken by Hampshire County Council, there have been significant changes to the way in which Youth Services are now offered. With the move towards commissioning and contract arrangements for the provision of youth activity, Motiv8 along with a number of other Youth Service Providers (e.g. Y -Services) are now actively seeking to attract additional work through Youth Support Service (YSS) contracts, Employment and Schools.

Motiv8 are currently working collaboratively with Fareham Borough Council to deliver the Summer Passport scheme with the provision of a volunteer to support the scheme for one day a week. Motiv8 have also recently won the contract in Fareham to provide a service to young people who are Not in Education Employment or training (NEET's) delivered from Xperience youth centre.

The Council would be happy to talk with MOTIV8 and or any other provider of open access youth services to explore how we may be able to assist, particularly where they have identified a gap in local provision and have the support of the local community.

Question 2:

By Councillor P J Davies:

- (a) "Can the Executive Member for Housing state the number of new affordable houses that were provided in the Borough of Fareham in 2011?
- (b) Can the Executive Member for Housing state the number of new affordable houses that are estimated to be provided in the current year 2012?"

Response by the Executive Member for Housing

- (1) The Council enabled 224 new affordable homes in 2010/11 and a further 73 new affordable homes in 2011/12.
- (2) Officers currently estimate 48 new affordable homes will be completed in the Borough in 2012/13.

13. MOTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 15

There was one motion submitted under standing order 15.

(1) Notice of Motion received 17 July 2012 from Councillor P J Davies:

That Fareham Borough Council request the Department of Communities and Local Government to **consider** the raising of the borrowing cap for Housing for Fareham Borough Council by such amount as would enable Fareham Borough Council to reach its target of the provision of 100 new affordable houses per year.

RESOLVED that upon being duly seconded, the motion was debated and declared CARRIED unanimously.

14. EXECUTIVE LEADER'S DELEGATIONS

The council received a report by the Director of Regulatory and Regulatory Services and Monitoring Officer which set out an amendment to the current scheme of delegations following the adoption by the Council of a modified

Leader and Cabinet governance model in December 2010 (report- cl-120726-r02-gwh refers).

RESOLVED that the enhanced powers of the Executive Leader in determining the scheme of delegation for the discharge of the Executive functions of the Council be noted.

15. APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES

There were no appointments to committees made at this meeting.

(The meeting started at 6:00pm and ended at 7:05pm).