

Minutes of the Council

Date: Thursday, 16 June 2016

Venue: Council Chamber - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Mrs C L A Hockley (Mayor)

G Fazackarley (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors: K A Barton, B Bayford, Mrs S M Bayford, Miss S M Bell,

F Birkett, Mrs M Brady, Mrs P M Bryant, J E Butts, T M Cartwright, MBE, Mrs L E Clubley, S Cunningham, P J Davies, Mrs T L Ellis, J M Englefield, M J Ford, JP, Miss T G Harper, Mrs C Heneghan, L Keeble, A Mandry,

Mrs K Mandry, Ms S Pankhurst, R H Price, JP,

D L Steadman, Mrs K K Trott, N J Walker, C J Wood and

S D T Woodward



The meeting commenced with a minute's silence observed as a mark of respect for Jo Cox, Member of Parliament for Batley and Spen who was tragically murdered earlier in the afternoon.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K D Evans and S D Martin.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Mayor be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12 May 2016.

3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor was pleased to announce that she will be holding a Tea Party on Thursday 7 July 2016 where Canine Partners will be giving a talk on how they train dogs to help disabled people. There will also be a demonstration by the dogs. This Tea Party will be held in the Mayor's Parlour, commencing at 2.30pm, and admission is £4.00. There will also be a raffle and all monies raised goes to the Mayor's Charities.

On Monday 13 June, the Mayor held a Queen's 90th Tea Party at Ferneham Hall that was attended by residents of the Borough who will be 90 years old this year. The Mayor expressed her thanks to all who had been involved in organising this event which was attended by over 100 people.

4. EXECUTIVE LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Executive Leader provided an update on the Funtley Governance Review and confirmed that the Consultation period has been extended to allow residents further time to comment. Therefore this matter will now come to the July Council meeting.

5. EXECUTIVE MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor T. M Cartwright announced that there have been many problems with travellers within the Borough recently and he wanted to congratulate the officers who did an excellent job under very difficult circumstances.

Councillor Cartwright was invited by the Chief Inspector to visit the Cams site purely as an observer. At the site there were two lots of travellers, one set on the rugby pitch and the other set on the football pitch. On inspection they found building rubble, tree cuttings, general rubbish, soiled nappies, faeces, and dogs running wild. The travellers were particularly intimidating and refused to carry out Police instructions. An example of this was when a Sergeant told them to put out a bonfire near some bushes, their response was

to stoke it up and then throw aerosol cans onto it which exploded. Obviously they were waiting for a confrontation with the Police which could have turned very nasty if the Police had responded the wrong way. The fire service were summoned who extinguished the bonfire.

Later that day, the Police issued a Section 61 notice, and the travellers were gone that evening - only to turn up at Wicor where a further notice was issued by the Police, and they were gone by 2:00pm the next day.

Councillor Cartwright advised all Councillors not to get involved with travellers if they arrived in their Wards and to leave it to the professionals, ie, our Officers and the Police.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no interests declared at this meeting.

7. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

There were no petitions presented at this meeting.

8. **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations given at this meeting.

9. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE

(1) Minutes of meeting Monday, 16 May 2016 of Executive

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Executive meeting held on the 16 May 2016 be received.

(2) Minutes of meeting Monday, 6 June 2016 of Executive

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 6 June 2016 be received.

10. REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES

(1) Minutes of meeting Thursday, 24 March 2016 of Planning Committee

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 24 March 2016 be received, subject to amendment at item 4 of the inclusion of the names of those making Deputations to this Committee and, at item 5, the title being included.

(2) Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 27 April 2016 of Planning Committee

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 27 April 2016 be received.

(3) Minutes of meeting Thursday, 12 May 2016 of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee held on 12 May 2016 be received.

(4) Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 31 May 2016 of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee held on the 31 May 2016 be received, subject to an amendment which is to record Councillor Mrs K Trott's attendance at that meeting.

11. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 17.2

There were no questions raised at this meeting.

12. MOTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 15

There were no motions presented at this meeting.

13. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES

Councillor S D T Woodward stated that there is no longer a requirement to appoint deputies to the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee.

Councillor R H Price sought clarification that deputies were appointed to Committees but not to panels. It was agreed that legal advice would be sought and this would be addressed at the next Council meeting.

There were no appointments or changes to committees made at this time.

(The meeting started at 6.35 pm and ended at 6.56 pm).