

Minutes of the Council

Date: Thursday, 15 June 2023

Venue: Council Chamber - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

F Birkett (Mayor)

Mrs P Hayre (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors: Ms C Bainbridge, I Bastable, Mrs S M Bayford, R Bird,

Mrs P M Bryant, Ms F Burgess, Miss J Burton,

Mrs L E Clubley, M R Daniells, H P Davis, S Dugan, Mrs T L Ellis, J M Englefield, D G Foot, M J Ford, JP,

N R Gregory, D J Hamilton, Miss T G Harper, Mrs C L A Hockley, Mrs K Mandry, S D Martin,

Mrs J Needham, P Nother, Ms S Pankhurst, Mrs K K Trott,

N J Walker, Mrs S M Walker and S D T Woodward



1. PRAYERS

The meeting commenced with a short service of prayers.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor S Ingram.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Mayor be authorised to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 11 May 2023.

4. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor was pleased to announce that he would be hosting his first charity tea party in the Council Chamber on Thursday 22 June with a speaker from the Veterans Outreach Support which is one of the Mayor's charities.

5. EXECUTIVE LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Executive Leader announced that he visited Barton Peveril College in Eastleigh which is where the majority of Fareham based students go to complete their A-level studies. The new Principal provided a tour of the college and invited the Executive Leader to nominate a Councillor to apply to become a governor of the college. The Executive Leader advised that he would be nominating Councillor D G Foot as a potential college governor

6. EXECUTIVE MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Planning & Development

Council Statement - Community Infrastructure Levy and Planning Obligations

The Executive Member announced that the Council has recently consulted on both a revised Community Infrastructure Levy charging schedule and a Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document. These consultations closed on the 1st May.

A limited number of responses were received, 8 for the CIL review and 10 for Planning Obligations SPD. Responses were received from the two promoters of the largest remaining unpermitted local plan allocation sites.

With regards to the CIL review, Officers will shortly be submitting all the documentation to the appointed Inspector, to commence the process of the

Examination in Public. This is likely to take place over the next couple of months, and I will update colleagues once we have received word from the Inspector of timescales.

The Planning Obligations SPD was consulted upon at the same time as CIL. 10 responses were received. The implication of the comments, and any potential changes to the SPD are currently being considered by officers. It is anticipated that some changes will need to be made, in relation to both format and content and I will bring recommendations to my colleagues in Executive in due course.

Leisure & Community

The Executive Member for Leisure and Community made the following announcements in respect of summer events in Fareham:

Access All Areas

Registration opens on Monday 19 June for activities in August for young people aged 11 to 16 who live or go to secondary school in the Borough. Young people can choose 3 activities for £10 which can be booked and paid for online.

Working with partner agencies, activities include sailing, motorcycling, Top Rock climbing, inflatable pool parties, karaoke in a real recording studio, tennis, driving, scuba diving and paddleboarding. The Executive Member gave her thanks to all the organisations that the Council is working with to enable activities to be available.

Thumbs up Thursday

Free activities are available in Westbury Manor Museum Gardens for 4 Thursdays in August (3rd, 10^{th,} 17th and 24th). These are aimed for children aged 11 and under.

Play Day

This event will take place on Wednesday 9th August at Holly Hill Woodland Park from 11.30am to 3.30pm for children aged 4 to 11 years old.

Summer colouring competition

Children are invited to take part in a summer colouring competition to be in with the chance of winning a prize. The colouring sheet has been designed and drawn by one of the refuse drivers at the Depot and hard copies are being given to children whilst the crews are on their rounds. It can also be downloaded online. First prize will be switching on the Christmas lights with the Mayor.

7. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor R Bird declared a personal interest in relation to item 7 of the minutes of the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 31 May 2023 and item 8 of the minutes of the Executive meeting held on 05 June 2023 as his wife was formerly a Trustee of one of the bidders detailed in the confidential Appendix A to the report.

8. PETITIONS

(1) Presentation of Petitions

There were no petitions presented at this meeting.

(2) Use of Glyphosate

A deputation was made in respect of this item from local resident Christine Wilkinson on behalf of Conserving Habitats in Portchester.

During a debate on the petition, Councillor I Bastable proposed a motion that the Executive bring forward a policy to manage the continued use of glyphosate around the borough of Fareham by this Council.

Having been duly seconded, the motion was agreed with 22 votes in favour and 7 votes against.

9. **DEPUTATIONS**

A deputation was made in respect of item 8(2) on the agenda from local resident Christine Wilkinson on behalf of Conserving Habitats in Portchester.

10. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE

(1) Minutes of meeting Monday, 15 May 2023 of Executive

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on Monday 15 May 2023 be received.

(2) Minutes of meeting Monday, 5 June 2023 of Executive

Councillor R Bird declared a personal interest in respect of this item as his wife was formerly a Trustee of one of the bidders detailed in the confidential Appendix A to the report.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on Monday 05 June 2023 be received.

(3) Schedule of Individual Executive Member and Officer Delegated Decisions

RESOLVED that the Schedule of Individual Executive Member and Officer Delegated Decisions be received.

11. REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES

(1) Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 24 May 2023 of Planning Committee

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday 24 May 2023 be received.

12. REPORTS OF THE SCRUTINY PANELS

(1) Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 2 May 2023 of Policy and Resources Scrutiny Panel

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Panel held on Tuesday 02 May 2023 be received.

(2) Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 10 May 2023 of Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Leisure and Community Security Panel held on 10 May 2023 be received.

(3) Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 31 May 2023 of Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel

Councillor R Bird declared a personal interest in respect of this item as his wife was formerly a Trustee of one of the bidders detailed in the confidential Appendix A to the report.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel held on Wednesday 31 May 2023 be received.

13. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 2.12

There were no questions submitted for this meeting.

14. MOTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 2.6

There were no motions submitted for this meeting.

15. CHANGE TO LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

RESOLVED that the Council notes that:

- (a) the meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee scheduled to take place on 12 June 2023 was cancelled; and
- (b) the meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee scheduled to take place on 24 July 2023 has been brought forward to the 26 June 2023.

16. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES

The Council considered a report by the Head of Democratic Services which invited the Council to make any changes in the appointments to the seats on committees as a result of the change in the Council's political balance following the recent formation of the Independent Councillors of Fareham Group.

RESOLVED that the Council approves:

- (a) the allocation of seats, as set out in Appendix A to the report, for the remainder of the municipal year 2023/24; and
- (b) the nomination of the political groups to seats on committees, along with the nominations of deputies and the appointment of a Chairman and Vice Chairman for each committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2023/24, as set out in Appendix B to the report.

17. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

(1) Citizen's Advice Fareham

In considering the appointment of a Deputy Representative to Citizens Advice Fareham it was AGREED that Councillor Mrs J Needham be appointed for the remainder of the 2023/24 municipal year.

(2) Genesis Advisory Committee

In considering the appointment of a Representative to the Genesis Advisory Committee it was AGREED that Councillors Mrs S M Bayford and M Daniells be appointed for the remainder of the 2023/24 municipal year.

(3) Partnership for South Hampshire Overview & Scrutiny Committee

In considering the appointment of a Deputy Representative to the Partnership for South Hampshire Overview & Scrutiny Committee it was AGREED that Councillor N J Walker be appointed for the remainder of the 2023/24 municipal year.

(4) Solent Growth Forum

In considering the appointment of a Representative to the Solent Growth Forum it was AGREED that Councillor S M Bayford be appointed for the remainder of the 2023/24 municipal year.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 7.17 pm).