

## **COUNCIL**

**THURSDAY, 25 MAY 2017**

### **DECISIONS**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 25 May 2017. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Wilma Wilkie, Democratic Services.

#### **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL 2017/18**

Council **RESOLVED** that Councillor David McCraith be elected as Chairman of the Council for the 2017/18 civic year.

Councillor McCraith signed the acceptance of office.

#### **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL 2017/18**

Council **RESOLVED** that Councillor Brian Burling be elected as Vice-Chairman of the Council for the 2017/18 civic year.

Councillor Burling signed the acceptance of office.

#### **REPORT OF THE RETURNING OFFICER**

Council **RECEIVED** the report of the Returning Officer on the result of the By-election for the Bourn Ward and welcomed Councillor Ruth Betson to the Council.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICER AND RETURNING OFFICER**

Council **AGREED** that Mr Alex Colyer, in his role as Interim Chief Executive Officer, continues as Electoral Registration Officer and Returning Officer, until such time as Mrs Beverly Agass commences her employment as Chief Executive Officer.

#### **POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY AND ALLOCATION OF SEATS TO COMMITTEES 2017/18**

Council **APPROVED**:

(a) The allocation of seats on committees and joint committees, as follows:

| <b>Committee</b>               | <b>No. of seats</b> | <b>Conservative</b> | <b>Liberal Democrat</b> | <b>Independent</b> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Audit and Corporate Governance | 9                   | 6                   | 2                       | 1                  |
| Civic Affairs                  | 12                  | 8                   | 3                       | 1                  |
| Employment                     | 9                   | 5                   | 3                       | 1                  |

|                       |           |           |           |          |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Licensing             | 15        | 9         | 4         | 2        |
| Planning              | 12        | 8         | 3         | 1        |
| Partnerships Review   | 9         | 6         | 2         | 1        |
| Scrutiny and Overview | 9         | 6         | 2         | 1        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>75</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>8</b> |

| <b>Committee</b>                              | <b>No. of seats</b> | <b>Conservative</b> | <b>Liberal Democrat</b> | <b>Independent</b> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Joint Development Control – Cambridge Fringes | 6                   | 4                   | 1                       | 1                  |

- (b) The nominations of the Political Group Leaders/Convenor to seats on committees and joint bodies, as set out below:

#### **Audit and Corporate Governance Committee**

| <b>Conservative</b>   | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>         | <b>Independent</b> | <b>Non-Group</b> |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Grenville<br>Chamberlain<br>Simon Crocker<br>Christopher Cross<br>Andrew Fraser<br>Roger Hall<br>Tony Orgee | John Batchelor<br>John Williams | Douglas de Lacey   |                  |

#### *Substitutes in hierarchical order*

| <b>Conservative</b>  | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>             | <b>Independent</b>   | <b>Non-Group</b>   |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Graham Cone<br>2. Ray Manning<br>3. Charles Nightingale<br>4. Richard Turner<br>5. Bunty Waters | 1. Anna Bradnam<br>2. Philippa Hart | 1. <i>See Non-Group</i><br>2. Neil Davies<br>3. Peter Johnson<br>4. Cicely Murfitt<br>5. Edd Stonham | Nigel Cathcart<br>( <i>substitute seat accepted from Independent Group</i> ) |

#### **Civic Affairs Committee**

| <b>Conservative</b>   | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>                       | <b>Independent</b> | <b>Non-Group</b>   |
|---|---|--------------------|--|
| Brian Burling<br>Ray Manning<br>David McCraith<br>Charles Nightingale<br>Peter Topping<br>Bunty Waters<br>Nick Wright | Jose Hales<br>Janet Lockwood<br>Bridget Smith | Deborah Roberts    | Nigel Cathcart<br>( <i>seat accepted from Conservative Group</i> ) |

*Substitutes in hierarchical order*

| <b>Conservative</b>   | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>                          | <b>Independent</b>   | <b>Non-Group</b> |
|---|--|--|------------------|
| 1. David Bard<br>2. Grenville Chamberlain<br>3. Simon Crocker<br>4. Raymond Matthews<br>5. Alex Riley | 1. Sebastian Kindersley<br>2. Aidan Van de Weyer | 1. Douglas de Lacey<br>2. Neil Davies<br>3. Edd Stonham<br>4. Peter Johnson<br>5. Cicely Murfitt |                  |

### **Employment Committee**

| <b>Conservative</b>   | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>                                  | <b>Independent</b> | <b>Non-Group</b> |
|---|--|--------------------|------------------|
| Val Barrett<br>Pippa Corney<br>Simon Edwards<br>Ray Manning<br>Alex Riley | Doug Cattermole<br>Sebastian Kindersley<br>Bridget Smith | Edd Stonham        |                  |

*Substitutes in hierarchical order*

| <b>Conservative</b>  | <b>Liberal Democrat</b> | <b>Independent</b>   | <b>Non-Group</b> |
|--|-------------------------|--|------------------|
| 1. Ruth Betson<br>2. Grenville Chamberlain<br>3. Christopher Cross<br>4. Caroline Hunt<br>5. Des O'Brien |                         | 1. Neil Davies<br>2. Peter Johnson<br>3. Cicely Murfitt<br>4. Douglas de Lacey<br>5. Deborah Roberts |                  |

### **Licensing Committee**

| <b>Conservative</b>  | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>                      | <b>Independent</b>                | <b>Non-Group</b>  |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| Val Barrett<br>Ruth Betson<br>Graham Cone<br>Pippa Corney<br>Kevin Cuffley<br>Andrew Fraser<br>Raymond Matthews<br>Charles Nightingale<br>Alex Riley | Anna Bradnam<br>Jose Hales<br>Janet Lockwood | Cicely Murfitt<br>Deborah Roberts | Nigel Cathcart<br>(seat accepted from Liberal Democrat Group) |

*Substitutes in hierarchical order*

| <b>Conservative</b>   | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>              | <b>Independent</b>  | <b>Non-Group</b> |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|------------------|
| 1. Grenville Chamberlain<br>2. Mark Howell<br>3. Ray Manning<br>4. Bunty Waters<br>5. Nick Wright | 1. Henry Batchelor<br>2. Hazel Smith | 1. Douglas de Lacey<br>2. Peter Johnson<br>3. Neil Davies<br>4. Edd Stonham |                  |

## Partnerships Review Committee

| Conservative  | Liberal Democrat   | Independent | Non-Group |
|---|--|-------------|-----------|
| David Bard<br>Andrew Fraser<br>Ray Manning<br>Tony Orgee<br>Ben Shelton<br>Bunty Waters | Henry Batchelor<br>Janet Lockwood<br>Ingrid Tregoing<br>(seat accepted<br>from Independent<br>Group) |             |           |

*Substitutes in hierarchical order*

| Conservative  | Liberal Democrat                            | Independent   | Non-Group |
|---|---|---|-----------|
| 1. Val Barrett<br>2. Grenville<br>Chamberlain<br>3. Simon Crocker<br>4. Roger Hall<br>5. David McCraith | 1. Tumi Hawkins<br>2. Aidan Van de<br>Weyer | Substitutes:<br>1. Neil Davies<br>2. Peter Johnson<br>3. Douglas de<br>Lacey<br>4. Deborah<br>Roberts<br>5. Edd Stonham |           |

## Planning Committee

| Conservative  | Liberal Democrat   | Independent     | Non-Group |
|---|--|-----------------|-----------|
| David Bard<br>Brian Burling<br>Pippa Corney<br>Kevin Cuffley<br>David McCraith<br>Des O'Brien<br>Tim Scott<br>Robert Turner | John Batchelor<br>Philippa Hart<br>Sebastian<br>Kindersley | Deborah Roberts |           |

*Substitutes in hierarchical order*

| Conservative   | Liberal Democrat   | Independent   | Labour |
|--|--|---|--------|
| 1. Val Barrett<br>2. Roger Hall<br>3. Charles Nightingale<br>4. Alex Riley<br>5. Nick Wright | 1. Henry Batchelor<br>2. Anna Bradnam<br>3. Doug<br>Cattermole<br>4. Hazel Smith<br>5. Aidan Van de<br>Weyer | 1. Cicely Murfitt<br>2. Douglas de<br>Lacey<br>3. Peter Johnson<br>4. Edd Stonham<br>5. Neil Davies |        |

## Scrutiny and Overview Committee

| Conservative  | Liberal Democrat  | Independent | Labour |
|---|---|-------------|--------|
| David Bard<br>Ruth Betson<br>Grenville<br>Chamberlain<br>Graham Cone<br>Kevin Cuffley<br>Tony Orgee | Jose Hales<br>Philippa Hart<br>Tumi Hawkins<br>(seat accepted<br>from Independent<br>Group) |             |        |

*Substitutes in hierarchical order*

| <b>Conservative</b>   | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>                                    | <b>Independent</b>  | <b>Labour</b> |
|---|--|---|---------------|
| 1. Val Barrett<br>2. Christopher Cross<br>3. Roger Hall<br>4. Andrew Fraser<br>5. David Whiteman-Downes | 1. John Batchelor<br>2. Anna Bradnam<br>3. Doug Cattermole | 1. Neil Davies<br>2. Peter Johnson<br>3. Douglas de Lacey<br>4. Edd Stonham<br>5. Deborah Roberts |               |

**Joint Development Control Committee – Cambridge Fringes**

| <b>Conservative</b>  | <b>Liberal Democrat</b> | <b>Independent</b> | <b>Labour</b> |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| David Bard *<br>Kevin Cuffley<br>Charles Nightingale<br>Robert Turner<br><br>* Spokesman | Aidan Van de Weyer      | Douglas de Lacey   |               |

*Substitutes in hierarchical order*

| <b>Conservative</b>                                    | <b>Liberal Democrat</b>                 | <b>Independent</b>               | <b>Labour</b> |
|--|---|----------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. Tom Bygott<br>2. Pippa Corney<br>3. Tim Wotherspoon | 1. Janet Lockwood<br>2. Doug Cattermole | 1. Neil Davies<br>2. Edd Stonham |               |

- (c) The appointment of Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of committees, as follows:

| <b>Committee</b>                      | <b>Chairman</b> | <b>Vice-Chairman</b>  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Audit and Corporate Governance</b> | Andrew Fraser   | Grenville Chamberlain |
| <b>Civic Affairs</b>                  | David McCraith  | Charles Nightingale   |
| <b>Employment</b>                     | Ray Manning     | Val Barrett           |
| <b>Licensing</b>                      | Alex Riley      | Raymond Matthews      |
| <b>Partnerships Review</b>            | Ben Shelton     | Bunty Waters          |
| <b>Planning</b>                       | Pippa Corney    | David Bard            |
| <b>Scrutiny and Overview</b>          | Tony Orgee      | Kevin Cuffley         |

- (d) The re-appointment of Grant Osbourn as the Council's Lead Independent Person and Gillian Holmes as the Council's Deputy Independent Person for a further two years, subject to annual ratification.

## **CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY - MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS 2017/18**

Council:

- (a) **APPROVED** appointments to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority for 2017/18 as set out below:

### **Combined Authority**

Councillor Peter Topping

*Substitute:* Councillor Nick Wright

### **Combined Authority Audit and Governance Committee**

Councillor Andrew Fraser

*Substitute:* Councillor Grenville Chamberlain

### **Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

Councillor Alex Riley

Councillor John Batchelor

*Substitutes:*

Councillor Grenville Chamberlain (substitute for Councillor Riley)

Councillor Philippa Hart (substitute for Councillor Batchelor)

- (b) **AGREED** that the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Political Group Leaders, be authorised to make amendments to the appointments to the Audit and Governance Committee and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, if the political balance of the Combined Authority changes between now and the next Council meeting.

## **ERMINE STREET HOUSING LTD.**

Council **APPROVED** the re-appointment of Stephen Hills as Director of the Council's housing company, Ermine Street Housing Limited, for a further 12 months alongside his role as Director of Housing for the Council.

## **INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL**

Council **AGREED** the re-appointment of Simon Harris as a member of the Independent Remuneration Panel, for a further three year term of office, once his current term of office expires on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017.

## **JOINT SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE AND PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17**

Council **RECEIVED** the joint Scrutiny and Overview Committee and Partnerships Review Committee Annual Report for 2016/17.

## **CIVIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17**

Council **RECEIVED** the Civic Affairs Committee Annual Report for 2016/17.

## **CAMBRIDGESHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**

Council **AGREED** to appoint Councillor Kevin Cuffley as the Council's substitute member on the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel.

## **MAJOR OPPOSITION GROUP LEADER'S ANNUAL STATEMENT**

Council **RECEIVED** the Major Opposition Group Leader's Annual Statement.

## **CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION UNDER ARTICLE 15.03**

Council **NOTED** changes made under the provisions of Article 15.03 of the Constitution, which authorises the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Monitoring Officer, to agree and incorporate into the Constitution factual changes and changes required by new legislation which the Council has no choice but to make.

## **WRITE OFF OF OUTSTANDING DEBTS**

Council **NOTED** details of the amounts of debt written off under delegated powers.

## **REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS - RECOMMENDATION FROM CIVIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Council **APPROVED** the recommendation of the Civic Affairs Committee that Council Standing Order 11.4 in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution be amended to allow Members to ask questions at Council without giving notice, within a maximum period of 30 minutes.

## **EXTENSION TO SIX MONTH RULE**

Council **APPROVED** an extension of the six month rule for Councillor Mick Martin on ill-health grounds until 27<sup>th</sup> January 2018 and expressed its best wishes to him for a speedy recovery.

## **CHAIRMAN'S ENGAGEMENTS**

Council **NOTED** engagements attended by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council since the last Council meeting.