Minutes of the meeting of **Extraordinary Council** held on **27 June 2013** when there were present:-

Chairman: Cllr Mrs B J Wilkins Vice-Chairman: Cllr Mrs J R Lumley

Cllr C I Black	Cllr Mrs G A Lucas-Gill
Cllr Mrs L A Butcher	Cllr C J Lumley
Cllr P A Capon	Cllr Mrs J E McPherson
Cllr Mrs T J Capon	Cllr D Merrick
Cllr J P Cottis	Cllr Mrs J A Mockford
Cllr T G Cutmore	Cllr R A Oatham
Cllr R R Dray	Cllr Mrs C E Roe
Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn	Cllr C G Seagers
Cllr K J Gordon	Cllr S P Smith
Cllr J D Griffin	Cllr D J Sperring
Cllr Mrs A V Hale	Cllr M J Steptoe
Cllr Mrs D Hoy	Cllr I H Ward
Cllr M Hoy	Cllr Mrs M J Webster
Cllr K H Hudson	Cllr Mrs C A Weston

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs P Aves, M R Carter, T E Goodwin, J E Grey, B T Hazlewood, M Maddocks, Mrs C M Mason, J R F Mason and T E Mountain.

OFFICERS PRESENT

A Bugeja	- Head of Legal, Estates and Member Services
S Scrutton	- Head of Planning and Transportation
S Worthington	- Committee Administrator

125 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn declared a non pecuniary interest in item 3 of the agenda by virtue of membership of Rochford Parish Council.

126 ROCHFORD AREA ACTION PLAN – SUBMISSION DOCUMENT

Council considered the report of the Head of Planning and Transportation seeking Members' approval of the draft Rochford area action submission document (RocAAP) for pre-submission consultation and subsequently for submission.

The Portfolio Holder for Planning, Transport and Heritage drew Members' attention to three amendments that would be made to the document prior to pre-submission consultation:-

Pages 3.35 and 3.41: A minor alteration to the maps will be made to make the boundary of the Conservation Area accurate.

Page 3.54 – Paragraph 5: Text will be replaced with: 'Pedestrian links within the AAP area, including those to the central area and Market Square, and across Rochford, including to the rail station and to the green open space south east of Bradley Way, should be strengthened.'

The Leader of the Council also emphasised that the document should include a glossary of detailed explanations of technical terms, including for example, retail uses, for ease of reference for residents.

Resolved

- (1) That the draft Rochford area action plan submission document be accepted for pre-submission consultation, followed by formal submission to the Secretary of State.
- (2) That authority be delegated to the Head of Planning and Transportation, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning, Transport and Heritage, to make minor amendments to the document prior to submission to the Secretary of State, excluding those that would materially alter policy, having regard to the results of presubmission consultation, in order to ensure soundness of the submission document. (HPT)

127 OPTIONS FOR A NEW LOWER THAMES CROSSING – CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

Council considered the report of the Head of Planning and Transportation outlining three options presented by the Department for Transport for a new Lower Thames Crossing.

The Leader of the Council concurred with officers' opinion that the option c variant, although not the cheapest option, was the best of the options that were available.

Resolved

That a response to the consultation on Options for a New Lower Thames Crossing be made, as set out in appendix 1 with support for the option C variant. (HPT)

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The meeting commenced at 8.35 pm and closed at 8.45 pm.

Chairman

Date

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