

Extraordinary Council – 29 June 2010

Minutes of the meeting of **Extraordinary Council** held on **29 June 2010** when there were present:-

Chairman: Cllr D G Stansby
Vice Chairman: Cllr S P Smith

Cllr Mrs P Aves	Cllr Mrs G A Lucas-Gill
Cllr C I Black	Cllr C J Lumley
Cllr Mrs L A Butcher	Cllr Mrs J R Lumley
Cllr P A Capon	Cllr M Maddocks
Cllr Mrs T J Capon	Cllr J R F Mason
Cllr J P Cottis	Cllr D Merrick
Cllr T G Cutmore	Cllr Mrs J A Mockford
Cllr Mrs J Dillnutt	Cllr R A Oatham
Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn	Cllr C G Seagers
Cllr J E Grey	Cllr M J Steptoe
Cllr M Hoy	Cllr Mrs M J Webster
Cllr K H Hudson	Cllr P F A Webster
Cllr A J Humphries	Cllr Mrs C A Weston
Cllr T Livings	Cllr Mrs B J Wilkins

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs M R Carter, Mrs L M Cox, T E Goodwin, K J Gordon and Mrs J E McPherson

OFFICERS PRESENT

P Warren	– Chief Executive
G Woolhouse	– Deputy Chief Executive
A Bugeja	– Head of Legal, Estates and Member Services
Y Woodward	– Head of Finance
J Bostock	– Member Services Manager

175 AWARD OF PAST CHAIRMAN'S BADGE AND PRESENTATION OF MONIES RAISED TO CHAIRMAN'S CHARITIES.

The Chairman awarded the Past Chairman's Badge to Cllr A J Humphries, Chairman of the Council for the 2009/10 Municipal Year.

Cllr A J Humphries presented cheques in relation to monies raised during his term of office towards the work of his chosen charities – Havens Hospice (represented by Hilary Metcalfe), Holy Trinity Church, Rayleigh (represented by the Reverend Mike Lodge) and the Rochford Methodist Church Ministry (represented by the Reverend Brenda Gutberlet).

On behalf of the Council, the Chairman and the Leader expressed thanks to Cllr A J Humphries for all his sterling work for the community and

congratulations on having raised over £13,000 for charitable causes during his term of office as Chairman.

176 REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE

Council considered the report of the Executive on amendments to the Constitution.

Resolved

That the amendments to the Financial Regulations be approved, with the appropriate pages of the Constitution reflecting this and the changes associated with the recent adjustments to officer roles. (HF/HLEMS)

177 FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2009/10

Council considered the report of the Head of Finance on the Financial Statement for 2009/10. Some replacement pages were tabled.

Referring to questions received in advance of the meeting, the Head of Finance confirmed that the non operational asset identified in the Statement was 57 South Street, Rochford and that the assets identified for the Dutch Cottage and Finchfield Trusts included cash balances which were not included in the Council's General Fund balance.

Council concurred with observations of the Leader, Deputy Leader and Chairman of the Audit Committee relating to the value of such a detailed and transparent report, which reflected a high level of work. It was notable that the Council is not exposed to market risk issues. Reference was made to the positive nature of the recent report from the external auditors on the Council's use of resources.

Resolved

- (1) That the Financial Statement be approved and signed by the Chairman.
- (2) That the Financial Statements be agreed for submission to the External Auditors.
- (3) That the movement on earmarked reserves, as detailed in the report, be agreed.
- (4) That authority be delegated to the Audit Committee to approve changes to the accounts. (HF)

178 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2010/11

Council considered the report of the Head of Finance on the current Capital Programme following the closure of accounts for 2009/10.

Resolved

- (1) That the revised capital programme for 2010/11 be agreed.
- (2) That the revised budgets for disabled facilities grants in 2011/12 and 2012/13 be agreed. (HF)

179 TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REVIEW REPORT 2009/10

Council considered the report of the Head of Finance on Treasury Management for the year 2009/10.

Members concurred with the observation of the Leader that the report represented a good position, particularly in relation to the Council's cautious approach to investment decisions which meant that the Authority had not experienced the type of issues faced by some other public bodies.

Resolved

That the contents of the annual report be noted. (HF)

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm

Chairman

Date

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