

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

HELD IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

AT 4.00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, 24 AUGUST, 2011

PART 1

PRESENT: Councillors:

Beddows J. (Chairman)
Ball, G.D. (Vice-Chairman)

Adamson, G.	Grocott, M.R.
Alcott, G.	Holder, M.J.
Allen, F.W.C.	Jones, Ms. J.L.
Allt, Mrs. A.	Jones, R.
Bennett, Mrs. D.J.	Kraujalis, J.T.
Bernard, Mrs. A.F.	Molineux, G.N.
Bernard, J.D.	Morgan, C.W.J.
Burnett, G.	Rowley, J.
Burnett, J.	Sutton, Mrs. H.M.
Davies, D.N.	Sutherland, M.
Davis, Mrs. M.A.	Todd, Mrs. D.M.
Dixon, D.I.	Todd, R.J.
Easton, R.	Whitehouse, Mrs. L.
Fisher, P.A.	Williams, B.
Grice, Mrs. D.	Williams, Mrs. P.

26. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G.C. Brown; Mrs. S.M. Cartwright; P. Gilbert; M.R. Green; Mrs. C. Mitchell; P.A. Snape; Mrs. A. Spicer; J. Toth; and A. Williams.

27. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members

No Declarations of Interests in addition to those already confirmed by Members in the Register of Members' Interests were made.

28. Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 June, 2011 be approved as a correct record.

29. The Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence

(i) Councillor Jodie Jones

The Chairman advised that Councillor Jodie Jones was celebrating her twenty third birthday that day.

(ii) Ian Curran, Shared Services Legal Services Manager

The Chairman introduced Mr. Ian Curran, Shared Services Legal Services Manager, and Deputy Monitoring Officer.

(iii) Chairman's Charity Box

The Chairman reported that the charity collection box was circulating for Members to make a donation to support his charity fund. He advised that at the Meeting held on 29 June, 2011 a total of £46.90 was received and he thanked members for their donations.

(iv) Party in the Park and Civic Sunday

The Chairman reported that the Party in the Park had been an excellent day. The weather had kept fair and all who had attended had had a lot of fun. Similarly, Civic Sunday had also been very enjoyable. The Chairman wished to record his thanks to all those who had attended including Officers who had participated in or assisted in the organisation of the respective events.

(v) Kanalfestival, Datteln

The Chairman reported that he had returned the previous night from Datteln, having had a wonderful time attending the Kanalfest, and he and other Councillors had enjoyed excellent hospitality from their hosts.

(vi) Chairman's Ball

The Chairman advised Members that the annual Chairman's Charity Ball would, this year, be raising money for the National Poppy Appeal and would be held on the evening of Friday, 11 November, 2011, with a 1940's War Time Theme. Further details would be made available to Members in due course and he hoped to see as many Members of the Council in attendance as possible.

(vii) Group Photograph from Annual Council Meeting, 2011

The Chairman reported that the group photograph taken following the Annual Council Meeting in May was being displayed outside the Chairman's Room. He advised that he would be prepared to provide copies at his own expense for any Members who wanted one.

30. Questions in Accordance with Rule 8

No questions had been submitted in accordance with Rule 8.

31. Part 1 Minutes of Cabinet, Committees and Panels

RESOLVED:

That the Part 1 Minutes of the following Cabinet, Committees and Panels be adopted and any recommendations be approved and decisions implemented following the expiry of any call-in period:-

- (a) Cabinet – 28 April and 23 June, 2011
- (b) Planning Control Committee – 1 June; 22 June and 13 July, 2011
- (c) Licensing and Public Protection Committee – 19 May, 2011
- (d) Health Scrutiny Committee – 8 March and 7 June, 2011
- (e) Scrutiny Committee – 7 March, 2011
- (f) Audit and Governance Committee – 10 March, 2011
- (g) Appeals and Complaints Panel – 13 July, 2011
- (h) Joint Parking Committee – 27 April, 2011
- (i) Rate Relief Committee – 26 January, 2011

32. Recommendations Referred from Cabinet held on 21 July, 2011

Consideration was given to the following recommendations referred from Cabinet held on 21 July, 2011 in respect of:

(A) Homelessness Grant

That, following receipt of additional Homelessness Prevention Grant, Council approves a supplementary estimate of £42,000 for Homelessness Prevention Initiatives.

(B) Housing Strategy, 2011-16

That Council approves the proposed Housing Strategy, 2011-16, attached as Annex 1 to the report considered at Cabinet on 21 July, 2011, and agree to the actions contained within the Action Plan.

(C) Homelessness Strategy, 2011-16

That Council approves the proposed Homelessness Strategy, 2011-16, attached as Annex 1 to the report considered at Cabinet on 21 July, 2011.

(D) Cannock Chase Local Development Framework Core Strategy – Winchester Road Extension

That Council approves a supplementary estimate of £10,000 to work with Staffordshire County Council to assess and present the social, environmental and strategic case for the Winchester Road Extension.

RESOLVED:

That:

- (A) Following receipt of additional Homelessness Prevention Grant, a supplementary estimate of £42,000 for Homelessness Prevention Initiatives, be approved.
- (B) The proposed Housing Strategy, 2011-16, attached as Annex 1 to the report considered at Cabinet on 21 July, 2011 and the actions contained within the Action Plan, be approved.
- (C) The proposed Homelessness Strategy, 2011-16, attached as Annex 1 to the report considered at Cabinet on 21 July, 2011, be approved.
- (D) The supplementary estimate of £10,000 to work with Staffordshire County Council to assess and present the social, environmental and strategic case for the Winchester Road Extension, be approved.

33. Adoption of Draft Policy on Street Trading

Consideration was given to the Report of the Head of Environmental Health (Enclosure 8.1 – 8.6 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

RESOLVED:

That:

- (A) The draft Policy on Street Trading be approved and adopted as attached at Annex 1 to the report.
- (B) The proposal to consent all streets for the purpose of street trading, be approved.

34. Annual Performance Report, 2010-11

Consideration was given to the Report of the Chief Executive (Enclosure 9.1 – 9.15 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

RESOLVED:

That:

- (A) The performance information relating to PDP's, as detailed at Annexes 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a, and 7a to the report, be noted and approved.
- (B) The financial information relating to PDP's, as detailed at Annexes 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, and 7b to the report, be noted.
- (C) Due to the abolition of the National Indicator Set and the unavailability of the Local Area Agreement, 2010-11 annual performance information, it be noted that the report related only to the performance of the Council's Priority Delivery Plans and the performance indicators for which the District Council was responsible during 2010-11.

35. Annual Governance Statement

Consideration was given to the Report of the Chief Executive (Enclosure 10.1 – 10.2 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

RESOLVED:

That the Annual Governance Statement for 2010-11, be approved.

36. Scheme of Delegation

Consideration was given to the Report of the Monitoring Officer (Enclosure 11.1 – 11.5 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

RESOLVED:

That the Scheme of Delegation to Officers as detailed in Annex 1 to the report, be adopted.

37. Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED:

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 2, 3 and 4, Part 1, Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972.

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PART 2

38. Part 2 Minutes of Cabinet, Committees, Select Committees and Panels

RESOLVED:

That the Part 2 Minutes of the following Cabinet, Committees, Select Committees and Panels be adopted and any recommendations be approved and decisions implemented following the expiry of any call-in period:-

- (a) Cabinet – 28 April and 23 June, 2011
- (b) Licensing and Public Protection Committee – 19 May, 2011
- (c) Appeals and Complaints Panel – 13 July, 2011

CHAIRMAN

(The meeting closed at 5.55pm)