

MINUTES of the MEETING of the
 WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL
 held in the Council Chamber,
 Council Offices, Godalming on
20 October 2009 at 7.00 pm

* Cllr Mrs Pat Frost (Mayor)

* Cllr Mrs Carole Cockburn (Deputy Mayor)

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| * Cllr Mrs Jean Arrick | * Cllr Robert Knowles |
| * Cllr Mike Band | * Cllr Ms Denise Le Gal |
| Cllr Len Bate | * Cllr Dr Nicky Lee |
| * Cllr Mrs Gillian Beel | Cllr Alan Lovell |
| * Cllr Maurice Byham | Cllr Peter Martin |
| * Cllr Mrs Elizabeth Cable | * Cllr Tom Martin |
| * Cllr Mike Causey | Cllr Bryn Morgan |
| * Cllr Stuart Connolly | * Cllr Stephen Mulliner |
| * Cllr Victor Duckett | * Cllr David Munro |
| Cllr Jim Edwards | Cllr Stephen O'Grady |
| * Cllr Brian Ellis | Cllr Samuel Pritchard |
| * Cllr Mrs Patricia Ellis | * Cllr Ken Reed |
| Cllr Mrs Lucinda Fleming | Cllr Steven Renshaw |
| * Cllr Mrs Mary Forsyszewski | * Cllr Stefan Reynolds |
| * Cllr Bob Frost | Cllr Ian Sampson |
| * Cllr Richard Gates | * Cllr John Sandy |
| Cllr Michael Goodridge | * Cllr Mrs Celia Savage |
| * Cllr Tony Gordon-Smith | * Cllr John Savage |
| * Cllr Mrs Jill Hargreaves | Cllr Roger Steel |
| * Cllr Stephen Hill | * Cllr Adam Taylor-Smith |
| Cllr Nicholas Holder | * Cllr Ms Jane Thomson |
| * Cllr Julian Hubble | * Cllr Andrew Thorp |
| * Cllr Simon Inchbald | Cllr John Ward |
| Cllr David Inman | Cllr Mrs Nerissa Warner-O'Neill |
| * Cllr Peter Isherwood | * Cllr Keith Webster |
| * Cllr Mrs Diane James | Cllr Ross Welland |
| Cllr Mrs Carole King | * Cllr Mrs Liz Wheatley |
| | * Cllr Andrew Wilson |

* Present

At the commencement of the meeting, prayers were led by the Reverend Patrick O'Ferrall.

28. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 21 July 2009 were confirmed and signed.

29. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Len Bate, Mrs Lucinda Fleming, Michael Goodridge, David Inman, Mrs Carole King, Alan Lovell, Bryn Morgan, Stephen O'Grady, Steven Renshaw, Ian Sampson, Roger Steel, Mrs

Nerissa Warner-O'Neill, as she was unable to attend the rearranged meeting, and Ross Welland.

30. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

The following members declared personal interests.

Item 75 – Minutes of the Executive 01.09.09

Cllr Mrs Frost as a member of the Federation of Small Businesses.

Item 87 – Minutes of the Executive 29.09.09

Cllr Mrs James relating to her work with healthcare innovation and business improvement.

Cllr Mrs Savage as a member of Cranleigh HealthWatch.

Cllr Mr Savage on account of Cllr Mrs Savage's involvement with Cranleigh HealthWatch.

Cllr Mrs Cable as a member of the Milford Hospital Campaign Group.

Cllr Knowles as a member of the League of Friends of Haslemere Hospital.

Cllr Sandy as President of the League of Friends of Milford Hospital.

Cllr Munro as Chairman of the Surrey County Council Health Scrutiny Committee and as such would not speak during the debate and would abstain during any voting.

Cllr Ms Le Gal as Co-Chair of Waverley Design for Farnham Hospital and Chair of the Friends of Farnham Hospital.

Cllr Dr Lee as Chair of the League of Friends of Haslemere Hospital and member of the Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

31. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor reminded Members that at the last meeting in July the Council took the decision to advertise for a new Strategic Director for a fixed-term of 12-18 months. The Mayor was pleased to inform Members that the Restructuring and Human Resources Special Interest Group had met the previous day to undertake the interview and selection process, and had decided to offer the position to Jonathan Poore, who is currently a management consultant with Turner & Townsend in London. Jonathan was delighted to accept the offer and was expected to take up that position early in the New Year.

The Mayor informed the Council of a number of enjoyable events that she had attended which included the presentation of prestigious awards to the Frensham Pond Sailing Club and the Mayor's charity, the Woodlarks Campsite Trust. The Mayor had also attended a very special art exhibition by the young people of Waverley Training Services and undertaken an enjoyable and informative twinning visit to Mayen-Koblenz.

The Mayor then provided councillors with some dates for their diaries:-

Monday 26 October – Finance Seminar

Tuesday 1 December – Mayor’s Annual Charity Christmas Fayre.

The Mayor had received a letter from the 1st Battalion Welsh Guards thanking Waverley for their donation to the battalion fund and support following the death in Afghanistan of Major Sean Birchall, the son of a Waverley employee. The Battalion had asked the Mayor to read the letter to the Council to record their gratitude.

32. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The following questions to the Mayor had been received from a member of the public in accordance with Procedure Rule 10:-

from Mr Jerry Hyman of Farnham

“Lady Mayor, at the last Council Meeting I was denied my Right under the Procedure Rule 10.7 of the Constitution to relate significant new information in the context of a public question. Will the Mayor say she is sorry for her error? Thank you.”

The Mayor gave the following response:

“Thank you very much for your question Mr Hyman, the answer is ‘no’

The Leader of the Council gave the following response:

“Mr Hyman I too thank you for your question. I consider it insulting to the Mayor, our First Citizen, to suggest she owes an apology for undertaking the Mayor’s absolute responsibility for ensuring that Council business is carried out efficiently. Rule 10 invites written questions not lengthy statements or oral additions which are contrary to Rule 10. Thank you.”

33. PRESENTATION OF PETITION

The Mayor received a petition, presented by the 1st Witley Scout Group, on behalf of 205 signatories, the prayer of which was as follows:-

“Bearing in mind that the dirt jumps that were built in the woods near Oxted Green have been removed and that there are no facilities for skate boarders, can the Council consider the erection of some jumps and a skate park in one of the recreation parks in the Milford/Witley area.”

The Mayor gave the following response:

“The Council is committed through its Corporate Plan to give opportunities for all to take part in sport, recreation and culture, with leisure being identified as one of its top five priorities for 2008/2011. In accordance with this priority the Council already provides five skate parks across the borough, and has also

constructed six hard-court areas over recent years. We will certainly be willing to provide technical support and assistance with fund raising to the 1st Witley Scouts to help them with this project should they require it. However, unfortunately we would be unable to provide any land for such a facility in the Milford/Witley area because we do not own or manage any sites of sufficient size in either village. I would therefore suggest that having obtained over 200 signatures in support of this initiative, the Scouts would be best advised to approach the local Parish Council for help in identifying possible sites as they are responsible for the maintenance of the majority of open spaces in the area. Should a suitable location be identified, rest assured that we will then do everything we can to work with those concerned to progress the project further. I am delighted to see you here today and taking an interest in local democracy and if any of you would like to become involved with our Top Youth Council which is made up of young people aged 12-18 please get in touch with Robin Pellow at Waverley. Thank you all very much for coming.”

34. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE

34.1 Meeting of 1 September 2009

It was moved by the Chairman of the Executive and duly seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive held on 1 September 2009 be approved and adopted.

- i. Scheme of Delegation – Revision for Civil Emergencies (Minute No. 69)

Recommendation 32 was amended to read:

“the Council approve the proposed insertion to the Scheme of Delegation as contained in paragraph 69.3 above; and”

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive held on 1 September 2009 as amended be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

34.2 Meeting of 29 September 2009

It was moved by the Chairman of the Executive and duly seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive held on 29 September 2009 be approved and adopted.

- i. NHS Surrey Guildford & Waverley Programme Business Case – Consultation Response by Waverley Borough Council (Minute No. 87)

The Council endorsed the consultation response and acknowledged the work undertaken by the Healthcare Special Interest Group in compiling the response.

(Cllr Munro abstained from voting on these recommendations)

ii. Ockford Ridge – Investing in the Future (Minute 98)

The Council commended the action taken to improve the housing at Ockford Ridge and congratulated ward members and officers for their hard work and commitment to improving conditions for the residents of Ockford Ridge.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive held on 29 September 2009 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

35. MINUTES OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

35.1 Meeting of 9 September 2009

It was moved by the Chairman of the Committee, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Standards Committee held on 9 September 2009 be approved.

36. MINUTES OF THE LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE

36.1 Meeting of 27 July 2009

It was moved by the Chairman of the Committee, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee held on 27 July 2009 be approved.

36.2 Meeting of 5 October 2009

It was moved by the Chairman of the Committee, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee held on 5 October 2009 be approved.

37. MINUTES OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

It was moved by the Chairman of the Committee, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Audit Committee held on 22 September 2009 be approved.

The meeting concluded at 8.38 p.m.

Mayor