MINUTES of the ANNUAL MEETING of the WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Godalming on 17 May 2011

* Cllr Carole Cockburn (Mayor)

- * Cllr Brian Adams
- * Cllr Stella Andersen-Payne
- * Cllr Mike Band
- * Cllr Gillian Beel
- * Cllr Patrick Blagden
- * Cllr Maurice Byham
- * Cllr Elizabeth Cable
- * Cllr Jim Edwards
 - Cllr Brian Ellis
 - Cllr Patricia Ellis
- * Cllr Jenny Else
- * Cllr Mary Foryszewski
- * Cllr Pat Frost
- Cllr Richard Gates
- * Cllr Michael Goodridge
- * Cllr Tony Gordon-Smith
- * Cllr Lynn Graffham Cllr Jill Hargreaves
 - Cllr Christiaan Hesse
- * Cllr Stephen Hill
- * Cllr Nicholas Holder
- * Cllr Simon Inchbald
- * Cllr Peter Isherwood Cllr Diane James
- * Cllr Carole King
- * Cllr Robert Knowles Cllr Martin Lear
- * Cllr Nicky Lee

- * Cllr Denis Leigh
- * Cllr Peter Martin
- Cllr Tom Martin
- * Cllr Bryn Morgan
- * Cllr Stephen Mulliner
- * Cllr David Munro
- * Cllr Elliot Nichols
 - Cllr Jennifer O'Grady
- * Cllr Stephen O'Grady
- * Cllr Donal O'Neill
- * Cllr Julia Potts
- * Cllr Stefan Reynolds Cllr Ian Sampson
- * Cllr Janet Somerville
- * Cllr Roger Steel
- * Cllr Stewart Stennett
- * Cllr Christopher Storey Cllr Adam Taylor-Smith
- * Cllr Jane Thomson
- Cllr Simon Thornton
- * Cllr Brett Vorley
- * Cllr John Ward
- * Cllr Nerissa Warner-O'Neill
- * Cllr Keith Webster
 - Cllr Ross Welland
- * Cllr Liz Wheatley
- * Cllr Nick Williams* Cllr Andrew Wilson

* Present

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

1. <u>ELECTION OF MAYOR</u>

The Mayor invited nominations for the election of Mayor for the year 2011/2012.

It was proposed by Councillor David Munro and seconded by Councillor Maurice Byham that Councillor Richard Gates be elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

There being no other nominations, it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Richard Gates be elected Mayor for the year 2011/2012.

2. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Having been invested with the Mayoral Robes and Chain of Office, Councillor Richard Gates made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Chair.

The Mayor thanked his proposer and seconder and informed the Council that he was extremely honoured to have been elected to the post of Mayor. He promised to do his best to represent the Borough whenever required, supported by his wife Evelyn and would act as Chairman of the Council without fear or favour.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mr and Mrs Ellis, Hargreaves, Hesse, James, Lear, Jennifer O'Grady and Sampson.

4. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

The Mayor invited nominations for the appointment of Deputy Mayor for the year 2011/2012.

It was proposed by Councillor Andrew Wilson and seconded by Councillor Stephen O'Grady that Councillor Tony Gordon-Smith be appointed Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

There being no other nominations, it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Tony Gordon-Smith be appointed Deputy Mayor for the year 2011/2012.

5. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Councillor Gordon-Smith made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office and thanked the Council for the compliment they had paid him by electing him to be Deputy Mayor. He promised to support the Mayor and Mayoress in their very special year.

6. <u>VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING MAYOR</u>

Cllr Roger Steel proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor, Cllr Mrs Carole Cockburn. He described her as a real people-person who was at ease with all age groups and who had been warmly received at the 450 engagements during her Mayoral year. He reported that she had raised over £10,000 for her chosen charity, Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. Cllr Mrs Carole King said how much fun it had been having Cllr Cockburn as the Mayor and that it was nice to see how much she had enjoyed herself in her Mayoral duties.

Councillor Mrs Carole Cockburn responded by saying that when she became Mayor she wanted to be the best Mayor ever! She now truly recognised the value of the mayoralty to the residents of the Borough and had enjoyed the opportunity to meet so many splendid people. She thanked the councillors for their support and their generosity in contributing to her fundraising events.

7. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 12 April 2011 were confirmed and signed.

8. <u>MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

The Mayor gave every councillor a gift of either a Waverley scarf or tie to be worn at meetings of the Council, if desired. The Mayor informed the Council that his chosen charity would be the Hydon Hill Cheshire Home in Godalming. He offered all councillors the opportunity to join or re-join the Mayor's 100 Club as one of many chances there would be to raise money for his charity.

The Mayor then provided the Council with the following dates:-

12.06.11 - Civic Service

15.06.11 – Freedom Parade in Farnham for the Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment

06.07.11 - Volunteers' Garden Party at Charterhouse

The Mayor also reported that his chaplain would be Reverend Canon Paul Jenkins, Priest-in-charge of St Peters, Hascombe and St Mary and All Saints Church, Dunsfold.

9. APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

It was proposed by Councillor Mike Band and seconded by Councillor Mrs Gillian Beel that Councillor Robert Knowles be appointed Leader of the Council for the Term of the Council 2011-2015. There being no other nominations, it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Robert Knowles be appointed Leader of the Council for the Term of the Council 2011-2015.

Councillor Knowles thanked his proposer and seconder for their kind words and said it would be a great privilege to continue to be the Leader of Waverley.

10. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER

The Leader announced the appointment of Cllr Mike Band as Deputy Leader of the Council for the Term of the Council 2011-2015.

11. APPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE

The Leader of the Council announced the members of the Executive for 2011/2012 and their portfolio holder responsibilities, as follows

Name Portfolio Holder Responsibilities

Cllr Robert Knowles Corporate Strategy including Democratic

Services, Representing Waverley, Wider Issues

Cllr Mike Band Finance, Property and Capital Resources,

Human Resources

Cllr Carole King Car Parks and Community Safety

Cllr Bryn Morgan Environment

Cllr David Munro Economic Development and Community

Cllr Stephen O'Grady Children and Young People, IT

Cllr Stefan Reynolds Communications and Customer Services

Cllr Roger Steel Leisure and Culture

Cllr Adam Taylor-Smith Planning and East Street

Cllr Keith Webster Housing

12. <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING ACT 1989</u> <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT (COMMITTEES AND POLITICAL GROUPS)</u> REGULATIONS 1990

The Leader of the Council moved the adoption of the recommendations in Appendix A.

RESOLVED that the principal Committees of the Council for the year 2011/2012 be constituted as follows:-

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

Corporate (15)

Cllr Brian Adams

Cllr Gillian Beel

Cllr Jim Edwards

Cllr Brian Ellis

Cllr Michael Goodridge

Cllr Tony Gordon-Smith

Cllr Lynn Graffham

Cllr Stephen Hill

Cllr Nicky Lee

Cllr Peter Martin

Cllr Tom Martin

Cllr Stephen Mulliner

Cllr Elliot Nichols

Cllr Donal O'Neill Cllr Liz Wheatley

<u>Substitutes</u>

Cllr Paddy Blagden

Cllr Maurice Byham

Cllr Patricia Ellis

Cllr Nick Holder

Cllr Peter Isherwood

Community (15 Waverley)

Cllr Maurice Byham

Cllr Jim Edwards

Cllr Brian Ellis

Cllr Jenny Else

Cllr Mary Foryszewski

Cllr Michael Goodridge

Cllr Christiaan Hesse

Cllr Nick Holder

Cllr Peter Isherwood

Cllr Diane James (I)

Cllr Julia Potts

Cllr Jane Thomson

Cllr Simon Thornton

Cllr Brett Vorley

Cllr Andrew Wilson

Substitutes

Cllr Stella Andersen-Payne

Cllr Patricia Ellis

Cllr Pat Frost

Cllr Tony Gordon-Smith

Cllr Lynn Graffham

Cllr Stephen Hill

Cllr Denis Leigh

Cllr Liz Wheatley

Cllr Nick Williams

[Note: Mrs Jane Rawlings and Samantha Johnson from the Tenants' Panel are also co-optees on this Committee]

REGULATORY COMMITTEES

Licensing and Regulatory (12)

Cllr Gillian Beel
Cllr Lynn Graffham
Cllr Simon Inchbald
Cllr Elizabeth Cable
Cllr Patricia Ellis
Cllr Carole King
Cllr Jenny Else
Cllr Bryn Morgan

Cllr Tony Gordon-Smith Cllr Brett Vorley

Substitutes

Cllr Nicky Lee Cllr Nick Williams

Joint Planning Committee (23)

Cllr Stella Andersen-Payne

Cllr Maurice Byham

Cllr Elizabeth Cable

Cllr Patricia Ellis

Cllr Mary Foryszewski

Cllr Pat Frost

Cllr Richard Gates

Cllr Michael Goodridge

Cllr Jill Hargreaves

Cllr Stephen Hill

Cllr Simon Inchbald

Cllr Peter Isherwood

Cllr Carole King

Cllr Nicky Lee

Cllr Bryn Morgan

Cllr Stephen Mulliner

Cllr Stephen O'Grady

Cllr Stefan Reynolds

Cllr Roger Steel

Cllr Adam Taylor-Smith

Cllr John Ward

Cllr Liz Wheatley

Cllr Andrew Wilson

OTHER COMMITTEES

Standards (6 Waverley)

Cllr Michael Goodridge Cllr Diane James (I)
Cllr Stephen Hill Cllr Janet Somerville
Cllr Simon Inchbald Cllr John Ward

[Note: Mr D Wheatley (Independent Member and Chairman), Miss K Heenan and Mr N Davies (Independent Members) also serve on this Committee.]

<u>Audit</u> (7)

Cllr Brian Adams
Cllr Tom Martin
Cllr Jim Edwards
Cllr Stephen Mulliner
Cllr Tony Gordon-Smith
Cllr Donal O'Neill

Cllr Stephen Hill

Appeals Panel (4 from a pool of 12)

Cllr Mike Band

Cllr Gillian Beel

Cllr Jim Edwards

Cllr Brian Ellis

Cllr Patricia Ellis

Cllr Jenny Else

Cllr Pat Frost

Cllr Peter Isherwood

Cllr Carole King

Cllr Robert Knowles

Cllr Nicky Lee

Cllr Brett Vorley

Emergency Advisory Group (4)

Cllr Mike Band

Cllr Diane James (I)

Cllr Robert Knowles

Cllr Stefan Reynolds

<u>SCC Local Committee</u> (9 Waverley) (Operates under SCC Standing Orders)

Cllr Brian Adams

Cllr Carole Cockburn

Cllr Brian Ellis

Cllr Denis Leigh

Cllr Robert Knowles

Cllr Bryn Morgan

Cllr Simon Thornton

Cllr Brett Vorley

Cllr John Ward

Substitutes

Cllr Maurice Byham

Cllr Tony Gordon-Smith

Cllr Stephen Hill

Cllr Lynn Graffham

Cllr Stephen O'Grady

Cllr Julia Potts

Cllr Roger Steel

(I) indicates the Independent Member of the Council

The meeting concluded at 8.00 p.m.