

MINUTES of the EXTRAORDINARY
MEETING of the WAVERLEY
BOROUGH COUNCIL held in the
Council Chamber, Council Offices,
Godalming on 8 May 2012 at
6.30 p.m.

* Cllr Richard Gates (Mayor)

* Cllr Tony Gordon-Smith (Deputy Mayor)

Cllr Brian Adams	Cllr Denis Leigh
Cllr Stella Andersen-Payne	* Cllr Peter Martin
* Cllr Mike Band	* Cllr Tom Martin
Cllr Gillian Beel	* Cllr Bryn Morgan
* Cllr Patrick Blagden	Cllr Stephen Mulliner
* Cllr Maurice Byham	* Cllr David Munro
* Cllr Elizabeth Cable	* Cllr Elliot Nichols
* Cllr Carole Cockburn	Cllr Jennifer O'Grady
* Cllr Jim Edwards	Cllr Stephen O'Grady
* Cllr Brian Ellis	* Cllr Donal O'Neill
* Cllr Patricia Ellis	* Cllr Julia Potts
* Cllr Jenny Else	* Cllr Stefan Reynolds
* Cllr Mary Forszewski	Cllr Ian Sampson
* Cllr Pat Frost	* Cllr Janet Somerville
* Cllr Michael Goodridge	* Cllr Roger Steel
* Cllr Lynn Graffham	* Cllr Stewart Stennett
* Cllr Jill Hargreaves	* Cllr Christopher Storey
* Cllr Christiaan Hesse	* Cllr Adam Taylor-Smith
* Cllr Stephen Hill	* Cllr Jane Thomson
* Cllr Nicholas Holder	* Cllr Simon Thornton
* Cllr Simon Inchbald	Cllr Brett Vorley
* Cllr Peter Isherwood	* Cllr John Ward
* Cllr Diane James	* Cllr Nerissa Warner-O'Neill
* Cllr Carole King	* Cllr Keith Webster
* Cllr Robert Knowles	Cllr Ross Welland
* Cllr Martin Lear	* Cllr Liz Wheatley
Cllr Nicky Lee	* Cllr Nick Williams

* Cllr Andrew Wilson

* Present

61. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Brian Adams, Stella Andersen-Payne, Gillian Beel, Nicky Lee, Denis Leigh, Stephen Mulliner, Jennifer O'Grady and Stephen O'Grady. The Mayor sent his best wishes to Cllr Stephen O'Grady for a speedy recovery as he was unwell.

62. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Cllr Julia Potts declared a personal interest as a Farnham Town Councillor and small shareholder in Marks and Spencers. Cllr Jenny Else declared a personal interest because her nephew was an employee of Crest Nicholson.

Cllrs Paddy Blagden, Carole Cockburn, Jill Hargreaves Stephen Hill, Roger Steel and John Ward declared personal interests as members of Farnham Town Council. Cllr Pat Frost declared a personal interest as a Farnham Town and Surrey County Councillor.

Cllr Janet Somerville also declared a personal interest as a small shareholder of Marks and Spencers.

63. MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EXECUTIVE – 24 APRIL 2012

It was moved by the Chairman of the Executive and duly seconded that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Executive held on 24 April 2012 be approved and adopted.

The Mayor explained that all members had received advice from the Borough Solicitor in an email about an issue of personal liability for members raised by a member of the public and explaining that members were not personally liable, as alleged.

The Borough Solicitor gave a detailed introduction to each of the three reports for consideration at the meeting. With regard to the report relating to the Appropriation of Land at Brightwells and Riverside, the Section 151 Officer reminded councillors about the requirement under Section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972 for Councils to achieve best consideration when disposing of an interest in land. He went on to clarify that this meant not simply to achieve the best market value but also the ability for Councils to take into account reasonable social and regeneration objectives and benefits to help determine what is best consideration. Having received appropriate legal, property and financial advice, the Section 151 Officer informed the Council that he was of the view that Brightwells fulfils these requirements, and not only would it secure a capital premium in the form of the Minimum Land Value, plus a share of commercial rents, it would also achieve regeneration of a run-down part of Farnham to include a multi-screen Cinema, a new day centre, shops and restaurants plus 72 affordable homes, as well as 28.4% of additional open space.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Executive held on 24 April 2012 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted, as follows:-

A. Brightwells – Rectification of Deed of Covenant

Recommendation 58 be approved and adopted.

B. Appropriation of Land at Brightwells/East Street and Riverside

Recommendations 59 and 60 be approved and adopted.

[NB. Cllr Diane James asked that her vote against Recommendations 59 and 60 be recorded].

C. Brightwells/East Street Development, Farnham – Compulsory Purchase

Recommendations 61 – 67 be approved and adopted.

[NB. Cllr Diane James asked that her vote against Recommendations 61 – 67 be recorded.]

The meeting concluded at 7.37 p.m.

Mayor

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