MINUTES of the WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Burys, Godalming on 19 July 2022 at 7.00 pm

- \* Cllr John Ward (Mayor)\* Cllr Penny Rivers (Deputy Mayor)
- \* Cllr Christine Baker
- \* Cllr David Beaman Cllr Roger Blishen
- \* Cllr Peter Clark
- \* Cllr Carole Cockburn Cllr Steve Cosser
- \* Cllr Martin D'Arcy
- \* Cllr Jerome Davidson
- \* Cllr Kevin Deanus Cllr Simon Dear
- \* Cllr Sally Dickson Cllr Brian Edmonds
  - Cllr Patricia Ellis
- \* Cllr David Else
- \* Cllr Jenny Else Cllr Jan Floyd-Douglass
- Cllr Paul Follows
- \* Cllr Mary Foryszewski
- \* Cllr Maxine Gale
- \* Cllr Michael Goodridge
- Cllr John Gray
- \* Cllr Joan Heagin
- \* Cllr Val Henry
- \* Cllr George Hesse Cllr Chris Howard
- \* Cllr Daniel Hunt
- \* Cllr Jerry Hyman Cllr Anna James

- \* Cllr Jacquie Keen Cllr Robert Knowles
- \* Cllr Andy MacLeod
- \* Cllr Penny Marriott
- \* Cllr Peter Marriott
- \* Cllr Michaela Martin
- \* Cllr Peter Martin
- \* Cllr Mark Merryweather Cllr Kika Mirylees
- \* Cllr Stephen Mulliner
- \* Cllr David Munro
- \* Cllr John Neale
- \* Cllr Peter Nicholson
- \* Cllr Nick Palmer Cllr Julia Potts Cllr Ruth Reed
- \* Cllr Paul Rivers
- \* Cllr John Robini
  - Cllr Anne-Marie Rosoman
- \* Cllr Trevor Sadler
- \* Cllr Richard Seaborne
- \* Cllr Julian
- \* Cllr Liz Townsend
- \* Cllr Philip Townsend Cllr Michaela Wicks Cllr Steve Williams
- \* Cllr George Wilson

\*Present

## **Apologies**

Cllr Roger Blishen, Cllr Steve Cosser, Cllr Simon Dear, Cllr Brian Edmonds, Cllr Patricia Ellis, Cllr Jan Floyd-Douglass, Cllr John Gray, Cllr Chris Howard, Cllr Anna James, Cllr Robert Knowles, Cllr Kika Mirylees, Cllr Julia Potts, Cllr Ruth Reed, Cllr Anne-Marie Rosoman, Cllr Michaela Wicks and Cllr Steve Williams

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, prayers were led by Rector David Uffindell of St. Andrew's, Farnham

# CNL10/22 MINUTES (Agenda item 1.)

10.1 The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 17 May 2022 were confirmed and signed.

# CNL11/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda item 2.)

11.1 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Roger Blishen, Steve Cosser, Simon Dear, Brian Edmonds, Jan Floyd-Douglass, John Gray, Anna James, Robert Knowles, Kika Mirylees, Julia Potts, Anne-Marie Rosoman and Steve Williams.

# CNL12/22 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> (Agenda item 3.)

12.1 The Head of Policy and Governance advised that Strategic Directors Annie Righton and Graeme Clark had both declared their interest in item 12 on the agenda and would leave the Chamber for the duration of that item.

# CNL13/22 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (Agenda item 4.)

- 13.1 The Mayor began his announcements by welcoming Councillor Julian Spence to his first Council meeting and congratulating Councillor Liz Townsend in being awarded a British Empire Medal in the Queen's birthday honours for her services to Cranleigh. The Mayor updated the Council on his activities since being elected, which included attending 45 events one of which being the Civic Service which had been attended by over 100 people.
- 13.2 The Mayor advised the Council that the next meeting would commence at 6.00pm as a trial, to enable an earlier finish time in the event of a long agenda. The Mayor asked Councillors to be concise and avoid repetition; and requested that Executive updates be kept to brief items of useful information rather than policy matters. He also encouraged the same brevity with Council questions and reminded Councillors that points of order should be used for breaches of the law and Council procedure rules only.

## CNL14/22 LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (Agenda item 5.)

14.1 The Leader welcomed Councillor Julian Spence to his first Council meeting; and provided an update on both the situation with Ukrainian refugees and the special Executive meeting held on 18 July to consider the UKOG matter. A report would be presented to the next Council meeting as per the Constitutional requirement. He thanked the staff and volunteers for their efforts in the extreme heat and following the recent fires in the borough.

The Leader then invited the Executive to make the following announcements:

- 14.2 Councillor Clark provided an update on the public consultation on proposed transport improvements in Farnham, which would run throughout the summer.
- 14.3 Councillor MacLeod advised that the review of enforcement across the Council would continue when the new Joint Management Team was in place

in October. The commercial element of the Brightwells development would largely be complete by the end of the year, with the cinema expected to open in March 2023.

- 14.4 Councillor Merryweather reminded the Council of the discretionary element of the energy rebate scheme to support those households in need who were not eligible for the original scheme.
- 14.5 Councillor Paul Rivers thanked the officers for their swift response in resettling the vulnerable residents affected by the fire at St James Court in Farnham.
- 14.6 Councillor Liz Townsend welcomed Councillor Spence to his first Council meeting and welcomed the work of the planning policy team for their efforts in the Local Plan Part 2 examination. The Climate Change and Sustainability SPD was currently being consulted on and the new planning pre-application service had been launched. She also welcomed the Film Waverley event and thanked Councillor Mirylees for her work on promoting the borough. A successful job fair had also been held and thanked all those involved.

## CNL15/22 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (Agenda item 6.)

15.1 There were no questions received from members of the public.

# CNL16/22 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL (Agenda item 7.)

16.1 The following question was received from Councillor Munro in accordance with Procedure Rule 11.

"Surrey County Council are intending to carry out extensive repairs to BOAT 520 at Frensham Common in the near future. This has aroused significant opposition amongst local residents and others who have pointed out that the works will cost a great deal of money, cause significant disturbance to wildlife and vegetation in this important SSSI, and, in their view, are unlikely to achieve their main aim which is to reduce the adverse impacts of the current intrusive use of the BOAT and surrounding areas by 4-wheeled drive vehicles and motor-bikes. Local people believe that the best way to control future damage to the environment is through a Traffic Regulation Order. I agree with their assessment.

Given that the Council's draft Biodiversity Policy and Action Plan rightly emphasises that Waverley-owned and managed sites such as Frensham Common should have their bio-diversity protected, and if at all possible improved, does the Portfolio Holder agree with a great many local people that Surrey County Council's proposed action is potentially very damaging to the Common and that Waverley Borough Council should oppose it? If so, what actions will the Council take?"

16.2 In the absence of the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Sustainability, the Leader responded on Councillor Williams' behalf:

"Councillor Munro is correct that the Council's Biodiversity Policy and Action Plan emphasises that Waverley-owned and managed sites such as Frensham Common should have their biodiversity protected, and, if possible, improved. Waverley

Borough Council recognises the local concerns and will emphasise to Surrey County Council the desirability of a TRO consultation to allow local views to be heard.

WBC is a key stakeholder along with the National Trust being the custodians of the site, and we will of course always seek to influence decision making to ensure that the best interests of this highly designated site are upheld. However, whilst we can attempt to influence and direct SCC and Natural England, we are not in a position to make a decision on this matter.

Historically, following various meetings concerning the BOAT that involved Jeremy Hunt, residents SCC & ourselves, there was an agreed approach between all parties; WBC to implement interim measures, SCC to repair the BOAT, monitor its use and then if required seek a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO).

As part of agreed interim measures following previous meetings, WBC rangers and its appointed contractors have undertaken works in June 2021 restricting the width of the BOAT route and preventing further damage to the surrounding common by installing 184 Chestnut posts. To date these actions have been effective and over time they will allow the surrounding habitats and species to recover by natural succession and reclaim these formally damaged areas where the BOAT had expanded beyond its designated area.

Whilst the works proposed by SCC to extensively repair the BOAT 520 at Frensham Common have potential to be expensive, SCC have yet to share the details of such repairs with us, so we are unaware of what will be proposed as surfacing for the BOAT and to what extent it will be resurfaced. SCC had indicated the repairs would be started from May 2022, and clearly this has not occurred so far. The matter of funding the BOAT repairs is entirely a SCC matter to consider and the main intention is to make the route less attractive and perhaps more boring to drive on for vehicles, thereby reducing its attraction. This would obviously need to be monitored, as it is very clear that anti-social driving is an issue now.

In respect of such proposed works being damaging to the environment, due to the site's designations, SCC would need to fully consult with Natural England, in order to agree the specifications, methods of construction, storing of materials etc. in such a way as to not damage the surrounding habitats. However, WBC would also seek in this instance to ensure full consultation with local residents, as there is clearly a strong local feeling about the nature of the repair of the BOAT and a very prevalent view that, following repair, the route should, in any case, be closed to motorised traffic."

The Leader also undertook to raise the matter with County Councillor David Harmer.

16.3 The following question was received from Councillor Seaborne in accordance with Procedure Rule 11.

"In March 2021, tenants vacated a pleasant two-bedroom 1970s council property in central Bramley. Fifteen months later, at the time of preparing this question, the property has still not been re-occupied although I understand the situation may be about to change. Nevertheless, this situation represents the deprivation of housing for a family on Waverley's waiting list and a loss of rent approaching £8,000.

Moving on to Ockford Ridge site C, residents have been decanted from the 20 or so old houses that have now been demolished but the complexities of procurement, exacerbated by Covid, have contrived to extend the total project time by many months. Building is yet to start on the 30 properties planned for the site. Again, we have a situation where residents on the housing waiting list will have to stay there for much longer, and the HRA is missing out on large amounts of rent, this time running to several hundred thousand pounds.

I haven't delved into the detailed status of other HRA development and redevelopment projects, but it seems highly likely that there are delays to other projects. This can be seen from the fact that the financial outturn for 2021-22 for Housing Delivery presented to Executive in early July was £9.65 million against an approved budget of £18.63 million. This is almost a 50% underspend so delays must be widespread.

## Can members please be told:

- what were the budgeted and actual losses of rental income from houses in the development and redevelopment programmes for 2021-22: and
- what are the budgeted and currently projected losses of rental income for 2022-23?

We are all aware that redevelopment and development projects are not easy to execute, particularly bearing in mind the circumstances over the past two years. Nevertheless, the fact that perfectly good houses are standing empty for over a year, and that the Councill is suffering very significant loss of rental income caused by the delays, call for remedial action and clear communication to Members and affected Waverley tenants. Can members please be told what steps are being taken to address these challenges?"

16.4 Councillor Palmer, Portfolio Holder for Housing (Delivery) gave the following response:

## "Thank you, Cllr Seaborne

The property in question has been allocated to a Waverley tenant who is moving from a property that will be demolished in order to enable new development to take place. Considerable discussion has taken place between the Council and the tenant to ensure that as far as possible, the tenant's requirements for their new home can be met. There have been various aids and adaptations that have had to be made, and the Council has tried to reasonably accommodate the wishes of the tenant. It is hoped that the move will take place very soon.

Turning to delays in the programme, most of the Council's developments are regeneration projects. These inevitably take longer to bring forward than simply acquiring a clean site and building new homes. Much of the time taken is in working carefully and sensitively with our tenants to ensure they are prepared to move to a decant property while work is being undertaken, and then be offered a new home in the development. We are dealing with our tenants' lives at the deepest level, and many have lived in the same home for a long time. A brand new home is a great incentive to move but appropriate engagement with tenants is vital. There have

been tenants who are the last to occupy a home on a site earmarked for redevelopment and have needed a great deal of care and support to enable them to move. There are also other delays, including the length of time it has taken to secure planning permission and complexities in tendering contracts. We also follow a due diligence process, and we source external scrutiny of financial appraisals and viability to ensure value for money – this is especially pertinent in the light of the impact of build cost inflation on recent tenders.

With regard to delays to Site C at Ockford Ridge, the contractors expect to start on site next month.

Consideration of the Site C planning application at Committee was delayed by the requirement to provide additional information for consideration which had not been previously requested. We issued the Selection Questionnaire which is the first stage of the tender with the scheme (subject to planning) and then when consent was in place, we issued the Invitation to Tender (ITT) to those shortlisted contractors. We leave the period where the properties can be occupied for as long as possible.

The disconnection/stopping up and other pre-demolition processes take time. At Ockford Ridge Site C we decanted tenants and completed the disconnection process ourselves and tendered for a demolition contractor. We left the site occupied for as long as we could and tendered the Build Contract with tenants in occupation.

Holding properties when they become available for use under license and leaving the tenants in the properties where they hold the secure tenancy is the best route. There is certainty of a home to meet need when we are ready to push the move button but there is the risk of delay which extends the use under license. If we don't do this, we risk not finding a home for tenants in time.

Going forward, we are looking at procuring a contractor to complete works to decant and license properties so that we are not delayed and our maintenance contractor, lan Williams, is not pulled away from standard void and repairs work.

Responding to your questions regarding rent loss, we budgeted for £144,272 for the year 2021-22, and the actual rent loss was £128,597 - £15,675 less than forecast.

We budgeted for £112,014 for 2022-23, and the forecast loss is currently £102,652, resulting in a projected saving of £9,362.

We take every possible step to mitigate void loss. For properties that are hard to let, or earmarked for demolition and regeneration, there are two ways we can ensure as many properties as possible are occupied, and rental income is achieved. Clearly these are short term options, but they not only ensure maximum use is made of the homes during that period but also the Council receives income and properties that may be empty are not subject to vandalism.

A number of homes are leased to Ethical Lettings, a social and ethical lettings agency offering guaranteed rent and a free management service to landlords across Surrey & Southwest London. Ethical Lettings works with a number of local councils and supports tenants to establish better financial stability and quality of life.

Ethical Lettings let to homeless households under assured shorthold tenancies for up to two years and thus provide essential housing for those who would otherwise be in temporary accommodation, including bed and breakfast.

Other properties are being occupied under the Council's Guardian scheme. Those who would otherwise be homeless are offered a home which is due to be demolished on a temporary license. This not only provides a roof over their head but enables the homes to be lived in and looked after.

All Guardians have received Council Tax support and Housing Benefit; all are paying rent and there are no arrears to date.

Finally, I can give examples of how this works for the benefit of those in housing need and for the Council. We have provided accommodation for a single woman, expecting a child, two single mothers, each with two children, a single father with two children and three single people with complex needs.

Four homeless households occupying homes under the Guardian scheme have moved on to secure social housing, and that is the aim for the remaining licensees.

We will continue to use as many homes as we can to provide short term accommodation, working with our Guardians to ensure they can move to longer term secure and affordable housing.

I can assure Cllr Seaborne that the Housing Service works tirelessly to ensure that all homes are occupied wherever possible, and void loss minimised.

Cllr Seaborne helpfully recognises that the issues that need to be addressed in regenerating our housing stock and proving additional homes are very complex. To that end, Officers would be happy to sit down with Cllr Seaborne and any other local member to explain these matters in more detail."

16.5 The following question was received from Councillor Hyman in accordance with Procedure Rule 11.

"Mr Mayor,

The Council's duty to protect the endangered habitats and species of the SPAs, as confirmed in the 2018 *People Over Wind and Sweetman* Ruling, is set out in simple terms within the 2019 NPPG on Appropriate Assessment (Ref.65-006) which concludes that

"competent authorities must now assess the robustness of mitigation measures through an appropriate assessment".

Will you as Mayor please clarify for residents that as Natural England have confirmed to the JSPB that they are still unable to provide evidence of the effectiveness of their SANG and SAMM mitigation strategies, and hence no complete Appropriate Assessment yet exists, habitats applications cannot therefore be lawfully consented?"

16.6 At the request of the Mayor, Councillor Liz Townsend, Portfolio Holder for Planning and Economic Development gave the following response:

"The Planning Authority have sought confirmation from Natural England following the JSPB meeting. Natural England have not changed their position on the effectiveness of SANG and SAMM and have reviewed Appropriate Assessments (AAs) undertaken by the Council since the JSPB and continue to raise no objection to the detail within them.

The Planning Authority will continue to keep our Appropriate Assessments up to date, and where there is additional information will look to incorporate it within the document. We will also continue to seek Natural England's advice, as Natural England are the "nature conservation body" for the purposes of the Habitat Regulations."

## CNL17/22 MOTIONS (Agenda item 8.)

17.1 There were no motions received.

# CNL18/22 MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE (Agenda item 9.)

- 18.1 It was moved by the Leader, duly seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 3 May, 7 June and 5 July 2022 be received and noted.
- 18.2 There were four Part I matters, for Council consideration, from the meeting on 5 July 2022. There was one Part I matter for consideration which had been deferred from the Council meeting on 26 April 2022.

# CNL19/22 EXE 16/22 TENANCY STRATEGY (Agenda item 9.1)

- 19.1 The Leader of the Council moved the recommendations, duly seconded by Councillor Palmer, which set out proposed changes to the Council's Tenancy Strategy to assist those on low incomes in being able to afford rents in the borough and to end flexible tenancies, which had the support of 97% of Council tenants.
- 19.2 The Mayor moved to a vote and it was

RESOLVED that the Tenancy Strategy be adopted. The Strategy to come into effect on Monday 5 September 2022 in line with the revised Tenancy Agreement and Tenancy Policy.

# CNL20/22 EXE 17/22 GODALMING REGENERATION PROJECT (Agenda item 9.2)

- 20.1 The Leader of the Council moved the recommendations, duly seconded by Councillor Merryweather, which set out a proposal to progress the Central Godalming Regeneration project through to planning pre-application stage and assessments of detailed viability and delivery options.
- 20.2 Councillors Peter Martin, Mulliner, Dickson, Neale, Hyman, Goodridge, Liz Townsend, Palmer, Hesse, Wilson, Beaman, Clark, Gale and Davidson spoke in the debate.

20.3 The Leader responded to the points raised in the debate, thanking the officers involved and the Portfolio Holder for their work. The Leader requested a recorded vote on the recommendations, in accordance with Procedure Rule 17.4, which was supported by five Members and it was

#### **RESOLVED**

- i. That the change of the name of the Burys Development Project to the Central Godalming Regeneration Project be noted.
- ii. A supplementary estimate of £164,000 be approved to progress the project to the next phase (3), including preliminary public engagement, to be funded from the Property Investment reserve.
- iii. It be noted that phase 3 of the scheme will progress to a formal planning pre-application submission that, subject to the outcome of the engagement process, may include the following elements:
  - A residential scheme and public car parking at Crown Court Car
     Park to bring much needed housing into the centre of Godalming
  - A retrofit of The Burys for office working space to reflect new ways
    of working, and increased car parking provision at The Burys site to
    allow for loss of car parking at Crown Court Car Park
  - A residential and/or car parking scheme at the Wharf Car Park on Woolsack Way

#### For (28)

Councillors Baker, Beaman, Clark, D'Arcy, Davidson, Dickson, Follows, Gale, Heagin, Hesse, Hunt, Keen, MacLeod, Penny Marriott, Peter Marriott, Michaela Martin, Merryweather, Munro, Nicholson, Palmer, Paul Rivers, Madam Deputy Mayor Councillor Penny Rivers, Robini, Julian Spence, Liz Townsend, Philip Townsend, Mr Mayor Councillor Ward and Wilson.

## Against (10)

Councillors Cockburn, Deanus, David Else, Jenny Else, Foryszewski, Goodridge, Henry, Peter Martin, Mulliner and Sadler.

# Abstentions (3)

Councillors Hyman, Neale and Seaborne.

- CNL21/22 EXE 18/22 COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW OF TOWNS AND PARISHES IN THE WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL AREA FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS (Agenda item 9.3)
  - 21.1 The Leader of the Council moved the recommendations, duly seconded by Councillor Clark, which set out the results of the second round of consultation in the Community Governance Review of governance arrangements of the towns and parishes in the borough.
  - 21.2 The Mayor moved to a vote and it was

#### RESOLVED

- (a) That the final recommendations as set out in annexe 1 to the report are approved; and
- (b) That consent is sought from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) to:
  - i. amend the boundaries in their final recommendations for new Borough wards to ensure the boundaries are coterminous; and
  - ii. change the Town Council size and warding arrangements for Farnham, Godalming and Haslemere.
- CNL22/22 EXE 19/22 FINANCIAL OUTTURN 2021/22, MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN (MTFP) & HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) BUSINESS PLAN MONITORING 2022/23 (Agenda item 9.4)
  - 22.1 The Leader of the Council moved the recommendations, duly seconded by Councillor Merryweather, which set out the financial outturn for the year 2021/22 for the General Fund and HRA against revenue and capital budgets, the review of general fund reserves within the scope of the MTFP and emerging pressures and risks to the 2022/23 budget and the general fund MTFP.
  - 22.2 Councillors Beaman and Goodridge spoke on the recommendations.
  - 22.3 Councillor Merryweather summed up and addressed the comments made in the debate. The Mayor moved to a vote and it was

## **RESOLVED**

- i. That the 2021/22 outturn position for the HRA and General Fund including the agreed budget carry forward amounts be noted
- ii. That the emerging pressures and risks set out in the report be noted and, in the light of these, officers be asked to undertake a mid-year review of the MTFP including any reprioritisation of capital schemes, and report to Council in October via overview and scrutiny committee.
- iii. That the schedule of reserves in Annexe 6 be approved including the purpose, allowable use and the proposed movements in 2021/22 and that a delegation to the S151 officer to agree draw down from the reserves if the use is in line with the approved purpose be agreed.
- iv. That the change to the treasury management strategy threshold for the maximum investment for an individual counterparty as set out in paragraph 8.2 be agreed.
- v. That the capital receipt flexibility strategy as detailed in paragraph 9.3 to utilise the extended flexibilities around funding be approved.

- 23.1 The Mayor introduced the item, reminding Councillors that the item had been deferred from the Council meeting on 26 April 2022.
- 23.2 The Leader of the Council moved the recommendations, duly seconded by Councillor Penny Marriott, which set out a new set of corporate equality objectives and an associated action plan.
- 23.3 Councillors Michaela Martin, Munro, Jenny Else, Madam Deputy Mayor Penny Rivers, Baker, Keen, Clark, Beaman, Dickson, Palmer and Mulliner spoke in the debate.
- 23.4 The Mayor responded to some of the procedural points raised in the debate.

  The Leader summed up and responded to the points raised in the debate.

  The Mayor moved to a vote and it was

## **RESOLVED**

- i That the Corporate Equality Objectives 2022- 25 as set out at Annexe 1 be approved; and
- ii that it be noted that the Corporate Equality Group undertake to monitor the implementation of the associated Action Plan.

Note: Councillor Michaela Martin wished to register her vote against the recommendations.

# CNL24/22 MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE - PART II MATTERS OF REPORT (Agenda item )

- 24.1 The Mayor invited Councillor Seaborne, who had registered to speak on Part II matters, to make his statement:
- 24.2 In respect of EXE 9/22 (Electric Vehicle Strategy Update), Councillor Seaborne made a statement expressing concern over the lack of financial information in the strategy.
- 24.3 The Mayor invited Councillor Mulliner, who had registered to speak on Part II matters, to make his statement.
- 24.4 In respect of EXE 9/22 (Electric Vehicle Strategy Update), Councillor Mulliner made a statement on the projected costs and savings and asked for a realistic approach in light of the expected cost of living pressures on residents in the latter part of the year.

# CNL25/22 MINUTES OF THE LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE (Agenda item 10.)

- 25.1 It was moved by Cllr Goodridge, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, duly seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee held on 23 May 2022 be received and noted.
- 25.2 There were no matters for Council consideration in Part I, and no requests to speak on Part II matters

# CNL26/22 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE (Agenda item 11.)

- 26.1 It was moved by Cllr Peter Marriott, the Chairman of the Committee, duly seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Audit Committee held on 13 June 2022 be received and noted.
- 26.2 There were no matters for Council consideration in Part I, and no requests to speak on Part II matters

# CNL27/22 <u>APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS FOR THE JOINT MANAGEMENT TEAM</u> (Agenda item 12.)

- 27.1 The Mayor introduced the item and asked those officers named in the report to leave the room during consideration of the item.
- 27.2 The Leader of the Council moved the recommendations, which were duly seconded by Councillor Clark.
- 27.3 Councillor Mulliner spoke on the item.
- 27.4 The Mayor responded to the point raised in the debate and moved to a vote and it was

#### RESOLVED

- 1)In the light of the decision of Guildford and Waverley Borough Councils to form a Joint Management Team (JMT), Ian Doyle, Dawn Hudd and Annie Righton be appointed to the roles of Joint Strategic Directors; and
- 2) the amount of the redundancy payment to Mr Clark be approved.

# CNL28/22 REVIEW OF POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY, ALLOCATION OF COMMITTEE SEATS AND APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES FOR 2022/23 (Agenda item 13.)

- 28.1 It was moved by the Mayor and **RESOLVED** that:
  - i. the political balance of the Council, as set out in paragraph 4.4 be noted.
  - ii. the constitution of committees, the allocation of seats, the appointment of members to those seats in accordance with Group's nominations, 4 and the nomination of chairman and vice-chairman positions, as set out in Annexes 1 and 2, be approved.
  - iii. the allocation of seats and appointments to the Surrey County Council Local Committee be approved.

# CNL29/22 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22 (Agenda item 14.)

29.1 Councillor Mulliner introduced the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2021/22, thanking all those involved in the task and finish groups over the past year. He addressed the high workloads of both committees since the restructure of the committees in 2021 and the lack of opportunity for Overview and Scrutiny Committees to carry out scrutiny on the collaboration proposals prior to consideration by the Executive and full Council. The report was duly seconded and it was

RESOLVED that the annual report, set out at Annexe 1 to the report, on the work of the Overview & Scrutiny Committees in 2021/22 be noted.

# CNL30/22 THE STANDARDS PANEL, 28 JUNE 2022 - DECISION (Agenda item 15.)

- 30.1 The Council received the decision notice of the Standards Panel held on Tuesday 28 June 2022, in accordance with Waverley's *Arrangements for dealing with Standards Allegations against Councillors and co-opted Members under the Localism Act 2011.*
- 30.2 The Mayor moved that the outcome of the Standards Panel be noted.

RESOLVED that the decision of the Standards Panel held on 28 June 2022 be noted.

The meeting concluded at 9.29 pm

Mayor