#### COUNCIL

# Wednesday, 26th April, 2006

# Councillor T.R Chandran (Mayor)

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# 58 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A.M. Dunkin, Glass, Lane, Preston and Prew-Smith.

# TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 MARCH 2006.

M.A. Wright

## **RESOLVED:**

i. That the minutes of the above meeting be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

- ii. That in respect of the Standards Committee minutes dated 10 March 2006, the name of Councillor Lesquereux be altered to Mr. Lesquereux.
- iii. That in respect of the Cabinet minutes dated 16 March 2006, Councillor Parr be recorded as present at the meeting.
- iv. That Councillor Woodward wished his vote to be recorded against the closure of Carlton Forum fitness suite extension and bar closure (min 54) and not the new Corporate Equality Plan (min 55) at the Personnel and Resources Committee meeting held on 10 April 2006.

#### 60 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

Councillor W. J. Clarke declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 11 on the Agenda (Notice of Motion) as he is Chairman of the Police Authority.

# 61 TO CONSIDER AND IF APPROVED, ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CABINET AND COMMITTEES: -

#### A. Standards Committee/Personnel and Resources Committee

A proposition was moved by Councillor Boot and seconded by Councillor Golland to approve minute 14(ii) of the above meeting dated 10 March 2006 and minute 57 of the Personnel and Resources Committee held on 10 April and that Councillors Feeney and Rigby be nominated as the Labour representatives to be members of the working party.

The Mayor put the proposition to the meeting and declared the same carried and it was:-

## **RESOLVED:**

i. To undertake the recruitment process for the appointment of Independent Members to the Standards Committee.

#### **Personnel and Resources Committee**

- i. To consider nominations to a working party to carry out the recruitment of an independent member and Parish representative to the Standards Committee.
- ii. To nominate Councillors Boot, Grainger, Pratt, Feeney and Rigby to

the working party.

# B. Housing Stock Options - Cabinet 6 April 2006

A proposition was moved by Councillor McCrossen and seconded by Councillor R.F. Spencer to approve the recommendations contained in minute 192 of the Cabinet meeting held on 6 April 2006 in the following terms: -

- i. To recommend to Council that an application be made to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) for inclusion on the 2006 Annual Disposals Programme for Large Scale Stock Transfer.
- ii. To recommend to Council the agreement to pursue stock transfer.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Poynter and seconded by Councillor Gillam in the following terms:-

"Delete II and replace with

- 2. Hold a consultative ballot with all tenants setting out the pros and cons of transferring to a Registered Social Landlord, and asking the tenants whether they would prefer transferring to an RSL with a promise of reaching the Gedling Standard by 2010, or whether they would prefer to stay with Gedling Borough and in many cases not reach the Gedling Standard by 2010.
- 3. Agrees that if the above consultation indicates that there is a majority in favour of a transfer that the Council pursues stock transfer".

The Mayor put the amendment to the meeting and declared the same defeated.

The Mayor then put the original proposition to the meeting and declared the same carried and it was:-

# **RESOLVED:**

- i. That an application be made to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) for inclusion on the 2006 Annual Disposals Programme for Large Scale Stock Transfer.
- ii. To recommend the agreement to pursue stock transfer.

# C. Personnel and Resources Committee

## 10 April 2006

A proposition was moved by Councillor Boot and seconded by Councillor Gollop to approve the recommendations contained in minute 59 of the Personnel and Resources Committee meeting held on 10 April 2006 in the following terms:-

#### 2. To recommend to Council:

- (i) that Rule 10 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules be deleted and that Rule 10, as set out in Appendix 2, be substituted;
- (ii) that Rule 23.01 be amended by the deletion of the words "Paragraphs 1 to 6, 9, 11, 12 and 14" and the insertion of the words "paragraphs 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7".

The Mayor put the proposition to the meeting and declared the same carried and it was:-

#### RESOLVED:

- (i) that Rule 10 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules be deleted and that Rule 10, as set out in Appendix 2, be substituted;
- (ii) that Rule 23.01 be amended by the deletion of the words "Paragraphs 1 to 6, 9, 11, 12 and 14" and the insertion of the words "paragraphs 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7".

(Councillors W. J. Clarke and M.S. Dunkin left the meeting during consideration of the above item)

# 62 NOTICE OF MOTION

Upon a notice of Motion received in the name of Councillor R. F. Spencer and seconded by Councillor Golland in the following terms:-

"This Council believes that it is in the best interests of Gedling Borough Residents to have our Police run locally.

We would therefore call upon our M.Ps to help the Notts Police Authority to resist attempts to create a single East Midlands Police force."

It was moved by Councillor Gollop and seconded by Councillor Feeney that the motion be amended to read as follows:-

"This Council believes that it is in the best interests of Gedling Borough

Residents to have our Police run locally.

We therefore call upon our M.Ps to ensure the Government continues its progress towards fully resourcing the initiative to set up local Neighbourhood policing teams and ensure that this important initiative is not in any way compromised by attempts to set up a single East Midlands Police force.

This will protect actions already taken to develop the closer working with local community policing priorities and continue to enhance close working between police, PCSOs and Neighbourhood Wardens in providing safer streets and more secure communities."

A request was made by two members for a named vote on the amendment, and the voting was as follows:-

#### for the amendment

Councillors P.G. Barnes, S.J. Barnes, Beeston, A.A. Clarke, Cole, Creamer, Feeney, Gollop, Griffiths, Luckett, Maddock, McCauley, McCrossen, Millar, Pulk, Ragsdale, Rigby and Woodward.

## against the amendment

Councillors Bexon, Blandamer, Boot, Bradley, Chandran, G.V. Clarke, Day, Gillam, Golland, Goodwin, Grainger, Kempster, Nicholson, Parr, Peet, Pepper, Poynter, Pratt, Pycroft, J.J. Spencer, M.S. Spencer, R.F.Spencer, Tanner, Tunnicliffe and Wright.

The Mayor declared the amendment defeated.

A request was made by two members for a named vote on the proposition, and upon the Mayor putting the proposition to the meeting, the voting was as follows:-

#### for the proposition

Councillors P.G. Barnes, S.J. Barnes, Beeston, Bexon, Blandamer, Boot, Bradley, Chandran, A.A.Clarke, G.V. Clarke, Cole, Creamer, Day, Feeney, Gillam, Golland, Gollop, Goodwin, Grainger, Griffiths, Kempster, Luckett, McCauley, McCrossen, Millar, Nicholson, Parr, Peet, Pepper, Poynter, Pratt, Pulk, Pycroft, Ragsdale, Rigby, J.J. Spencer, M.S. Spencer, R.F.Spencer, Tanner, Tunnicliffe, Woodward and Wright.

#### against the proposition

# None

The Mayor declared the proposition carried and it was:-

# RESOLVED:

This Council believes that it is in the best interests of Gedling Borough Residents to have our Police run locally.

We would therefore call upon our M.Ps to help the Notts Police Authority to resist attempts to create a single East Midlands Police force.

The meeting closed at 10.05 pm