

## COUNCIL

Wednesday, 12th December, 2007

Councillor J.J. Spencer (Mayor)

Councillors:

P.A. Andrews	P.G. Barnes
S.J. Barnes (a)	C.P. Barnfather
A.G. Barton	D.N. Beeston
A.S. Bexon	P.M. Blandamer
F.J.D. Boot	V.H. Bradley
G.V. Clarke	W.J. Clarke (a)
E.J. Collin	S.M. Creamer
R.T. Day	W.H.F. Doe
M.S. Dunkin	A.M. Ellwood
P. Feeney	G. Fullwood
A.J. Gillam	W.H. Golland
R.J. Goodwin	P.A. Hughes
R.G. Kempster	D.I.A. Kumarasiri
H. Maddock	S. Mason-Kempster
B.S.R. Miller	R.J. Nicholson
J. O'Riordan	J.M. Parr
W.A. Peet	T.J. Pepper
V.C. Pepper	C.J. Powell
R.A. Poynter	C.N.F.W. Pratt
S.J. Prew-Smith	D.E. Pulk
M. Roach	M.A. Shepherd
M.S. Spencer	R.F. Spencer
R.J. Tait	J.O. Tanner
G.G. Tunncliffe	G.E. Withers
M.A. Wright	

### 46 MINUTES SILENCE

A minute's silence was held in memory of former Councillors Don Pycroft and Herbert Bird.

### 47 PRESENTATIONS

The Mayor presented Award of Merit Certificates to the following residents of the Borough for their Community and Charitable work: -

Betty Hatvini  
Christine Lilley  
Howard Parker  
Gordon Tunncliffe

Councillor Nicholson congratulated the Chief Executive on behalf of the Council for the following National Awards:-

Finalist for the best and most improved award for refuse collection in 2007.

Finalist for the best and most improved performer for street cleaning in 2007.

Award for the best Council in Great Britain for their performance in Transport Operation and Vehicle Maintenance.

**48 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.J. Barnes and W.J. Clarke.

**49 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 OCTOBER 2007.**

RESOLVED:

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

**50 TO CONSIDER AND, IF APPROVED, ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CABINET AND COMMITTEES: -**

Minute 6 of the Licensing Act Committee held on 28 November 2007 (page 44) Statement of Licensing Policy 2008 - 2011.

It was proposed by Councillor Blandamer and seconded by Councillor R.F. Spencer that the Statement of Licensing Policy 2008 – 2011 be adopted.

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

RESOLVED:

To adopt the Statement of Licensing Policy 2008 - 2011.

**51 NOTICES OF MOTION**

A. A Notice of Motion received in the name of Councillor R.F. Spencer was moved by Councillor R.F. Spencer and seconded by Councillor Pulk as amended with the approval of Council in the following terms: -

‘This Council remains firmly committed to the agreement reached between Nottinghamshire County Council and all of the other Nottinghamshire Councils in January 2007 that there should be no restructuring of local government in Nottinghamshire but that councils should work together more effectively in the interests of the residents

and businesses of the conurbation and the County.

It therefore notes with dismay that Nottingham is the only Core City in England, which will not have a Multi Area Agreement. It believes that this failure to demonstrate a unity of purpose between local government across the conurbation can only damage the prospects for economic growth of the City and the prosperity of its residents, including the residents of Gedling. It therefore calls upon all of the conurbation councils to work together to develop a shared vision for the future of Greater Nottingham and to agree a joint strategy for achieving that vision'.

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

RESOLVED That:

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B. The Notice of Motion received in the names of Councillor's Pratt and Ellwood was withdrawn with the consent of the Council.

## **52 GAMBLING ACT 2005 - FEE SETTING**

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Planning and Environment recommending that their Gambling Act fee setting powers be delegated to the Licensing Act Committee.

A proposition was moved by Councillor Blandamer and seconded by Councillor R.F. Spencer that Council delegate the power to set fees under Section 212 of the Gambling Act 2005 to the Licensing Act Committee.

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

RESOLVED:

That Council delegate the power to set fees under Section 212 of the Gambling Act 2005 to the Licensing Act Committee.

**53 APPOINTMENT TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Democratic and Community Services.

A proposition was moved by Councillor Boot and seconded by Councillor P.G. Barnes recommending the formation of a working party comprising the Chairman of the Committee and one member from each of the three main political groups for the appointment of a Parish representative to the Standards Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Pulk and seconded by Councillor Creamer that Councillor P.G. Barnes be nominated as the Labour Group representative.

It was proposed by Councillor R.F. Spencer and seconded by Councillor Golland that Councillor F.J.D. Boot be nominated as the Conservative Group representative.

It was proposed by Councillor Gillam and seconded by Councillor Dunkin that Councillor Pratt be nominated as the Liberal Democrat Group representative.

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

RESOLVED:

i. To approve the formation of a working party comprising the Chairman of the Committee and one member from each of the three main political groups for the appointment of a Parish representative to the Standards Committee.

ii. Mr J Baggaley (Chair) and Councillors P.G. Barnes, Boot and Pratt be appointed to the working party.

**54 WAIVER OF CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS**

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Democratic and Community Services that sought a waiver of Contract Standing Orders.

A proposition was moved by Councillor V.C. Pepper and seconded by Councillor Roach that Contract Standing Orders be waived so as to permit the offer of a further contract to Tribal Group for consultancy

services in respect of the post ballot work to housing stock transfer without the requirement for a tendering exercise.

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

RESOLVED:

That Contract Standing Orders be waived so that a further contract can be offered to Tribal for consultancy services without the requirement for a tendering exercise.

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm