

## COUNCIL

**Wednesday, 23rd September 2009**

Councillor S.J. Prew-Smith (Mayor)

Councillors:

P.A. Andrews	P.G. Barnes
S.J. Barnes	C.P. Barnfather
A.G. Barton (a)	D.N. Beeston MBE
A.S. Bexon	P.M. Blandamer
F.J.D. Boot	V.H. Bradley
G.V. Clarke	W.J. Clarke
E.J. Collin	S.M. Creamer (a)
R.T. Day	W.H.F. Doe (a)
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
D.E. Pulk	M. Roach (a)
M.A. Shepherd MBE	J.J. Spencer
M.S. Spencer	R.F. Spencer
R.J. Tait	J.O. Tanner
G.G. Tunncliffe	G.E. Withers
M.A. Wright	

### **23 MR. A.K. COLLINSON**

The Mayor and Members of the Council held a minutes silence in memory of the late Mr Andrew Collinson a former Leader of the Borough Council

### **24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Barton, Creamer, Doe and Roach and the Mayor hoped that Councillors Doe and Roach would make a speedy recovery from illness.

### **25 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 JULY 2009.**

RESOLVED:

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

**26 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

Councillor Blandamer declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item 8(ii) Scheme of Members Allowances

**27 TO DEAL WITH QUESTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN UNDER STANDING ORDER NO.9(1)(A) ON ANY MATTER IN RELATION TO WHICH THE COUNCIL HAS POWERS OR DUTIES.**

The following question had been received in the name of Councillor P.G. Barnes to the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Wellbeing: -

“Can the Portfolio Holder confirm whether or not there is any intention by the Borough Council to look at the additional provision of land for allotment use in view of the number of people who are on the waiting list and wish to rent an allotment from the Council.”

Councillor Golland replied in the following terms:-

"The Borough Council are well aware of the waiting list for allotment sites mainly due to a desire for people to grow their own food as a result of rising prices.

There is a shortage of finance for the Council to acquire land for allotment use as additional funds would also be required to create footpaths, fencing, gates and the provision of water. The Council also have a rolling programme to provide toilet facilities on all allotment sites.

The Council are looking to provide assistance for additional allotment land to be made available at Calverton and Burton Joyce Parish Council are to be congratulated in increasing space for allotment use.

There are no proposals to increase allotment provision in the remainder of the Borough.

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

**I. MINUTE 11 OF THE PERSONNEL & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2009**

**SCRUTINY FUNCTION WORKING GROUP**

i. In respect of minute 11 of the meeting of the Personnel & Resources Committee held on 14 September 2009 it was moved by Councillor Collin and seconded by Councillor Shepherd that the recommendations contained in the report of the Scrutiny Review Working Group be accepted and that accordingly:-

i. The Council constitute the Policy Review Scrutiny Committee and the Performance Review Scrutiny Committee each with a membership of 11 members being: -

6 Conservative  
2 Labour  
2 Liberal Democrats  
1 Independent

ii. That the following nominations be accepted by the Council:-

### **Policy Review Scrutiny Committee**

Councillors: Mason-Kempster, Andrews, Bradley, Powell, J.J. Spencer, Tanner, Feeney, Miller, Pratt, Tunnicliffe and Withers.

### **Performance Review Scrutiny Committee**

Councillors: Fullwood, Barnfather, Day, Shepherd, M.S. Spencer, Tait, P.G. Barnes, S.J. Barnes, Wright, Hughes and Barton

iii. A new overarching Scrutiny Committee be established as set out in the report with the following membership: -

The Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Policy Review and Performance Review Scrutiny Committees and Councillor Collin.

iv. That Councillor Collin be appointed as the Chair of the overarching Scrutiny Committee

A request for a named vote was made by 2 Members and upon the Mayor putting the proposition to the meeting the voting was as follows: -

### **For the proposition**

Councillors: Andrews, Barnfather, Bexon Blandamer, Boot, Bradley, G.V. Clarke, Collin, Day, Fullwood, Golland, Goodwin, Kempster, Mason-Kempster, Nicholson, Parr, T.J Pepper, V.C. Pepper, Powell, Prew-Smith, Shepherd, J.J. Spencer, M.S. Spencer, R.F. Spencer, Tait and Tanner.

### **Against the proposition**

Councillors: P.G. Barnes, S.J. Barnes, Beeston, W.J. Clarke, Ellwood, Feeney, Gillam, Hughes, Kumarasiri, Maddock, Miller, O'Riordan, Peet, Poynter, Pratt, Pulk, Tunnicliffe, Withers and Wright.

The Mayor declared the proposition carried and it was: -

RESOLVED:

i. That the Council constitute the Policy Review Scrutiny Committee and the Performance Review Scrutiny Committee each with a membership of 11 members.

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ii. That the following nominations be accepted by the Council:-

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(Councillor Dunkin left the meeting during consideration of the above item)

(Councillor Blandamer left the meeting)

## **II. MINUTE 12 OF THE PERSONNEL & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2009**

### **SCHEME OF MEMBERS ALLOWANCES**

ii. In respect of minute 12 of the meeting of the Personnel & Resources Committee held on 14 September 2009 it was moved by Councillor Collin and seconded by Councillor Powell that the report of the Remuneration Panel upon their review of the scheme of Members Allowances in respect of the payment of Special Responsibility Allowances be approved and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

A request was made by 2 members for a named vote, and upon the Mayor putting the proposition to the meeting the voting was as follows: -

### **For the proposition**

Councillors: Andrews, P.G. Barnes, S.J. Barnes, Barnfather, Beeston, Bexon, Boot, Bradley, G.V. Clarke, W.J. Clarke, Collin, Day, Feeney, Fullwood, Golland, Goodwin, Kempster, Maddock, Mason-Kempster, Miller, Nicholson, O'Riordan, Parr, Peet, T.J Pepper, V.C. Pepper, Powell, Prew-Smith, Pulk, Shepherd, J.J. Spencer, M.S. Spencer, R.F. Spencer, Tait, Tanner and Tunnicliffe.

### **Against the proposition**

Councillors: Ellwood, Gillam, Hughes, Poynter, Pratt, Withers and Wright.

The Mayor declared the proposition carried and it was: -

RESOLVED:

That the Council's Members' Allowances Scheme be amended by the addition of a sub paragraph in paragraph 4 in the following terms:4 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions contained in sub paragraph 4 (3) where a Councillor holds the post of Deputy Mayor that Councillor may receive the Special Responsibility Allowance applicable to the post of Deputy Mayor in addition to any one other Special Responsibility Allowance that they be entitled to receive in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph.

(Councillor Kumarasiri left the meeting during consideration of the above item)

(Councillor Blandamer returned to the meeting)

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.