

**MINUTES
COUNCIL**

Wednesday 10 July 2013

Councillor Bob Collis (Mayor)

Present: Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth Councillor Cheryl Hewlett
Councillor Steve Ainley Councillor Sarah Hewson
Councillor Pauline Allan Councillor Mike Hope
Councillor Roy Allan Councillor Paul Hughes
Councillor Patricia Andrews Councillor Meredith Lawrence
Councillor Emily Bailey Councillor Phil McCauley
Councillor Peter Barnes Councillor Barbara Miller
Councillor Sandra Barnes Councillor Richard Nicholson
Councillor Chris Barnfather Councillor Marje Paling
Councillor Denis Beeston MBE Councillor Michael Payne
Councillor Alan Bexon Councillor Carol Pepper
Councillor John Boot Councillor Stephen Poole
Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor Suzanne Prew-Smith
Councillor Ged Clarke Councillor Darrell Pulk
Councillor John Clarke Councillor Nick Quilty
Councillor Jim Creamer Councillor Roland Spencer
Councillor David Ellis Councillor Sarah Tomlinson
Councillor Andrew Ellwood Councillor John Truscott
Councillor Paul Feeney Councillor Gordon Tunnicliffe
Councillor Kathryn Fox Councillor Muriel Weisz
Councillor Tony Gillam Councillor Henry Wheeler
Councillor Gary Gregory

Absent: Councillor Bruce Andrews, Councillor Krista Blair,
Councillor Roxanne Ellis, Councillor Mark Glover,
Councillor John Parr and Councillor Colin Powell

13 OPENING PRAYERS.

The Mayor's Chaplain Rev. Ken Schill, Vicar of St Mary's Church Arnold, delivered the opening prayer.

14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Blair, R. Ellis, Glover, Powell, Parr and B. Andrews.

15 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Mayor gave an overview of recent engagements he had attended and paid tribute to the vital contribution made by local voluntary and community organisations in Gedling.

He also highlighted the City's recent hosting of Armed Forces Day, which he had attended. The Mayor reinforced the intention of the Council to provide additional support to Military organisations and communities, heralded by the signing of the Armed Forces Community Covenant by the previous Mayor, Councillor Sandra Barnes.

The Mayor closed by informing members of awareness raising he has undertaken in the media and a number of events planned in aid of his chosen charity, Homelessness. These included a sponsored slim, a charity dinner in the Autumn and a Cheese and Wine tasting evening.

The Mayor urged Members to support these events where able.

16 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 APRIL 2013 AND 22 MAY 2013

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the above meetings, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor subject to the following amendment;

1. To remove Councillor Key from those attending the meeting held on 22 May 2013 and replace with Councillor D. Ellis.

17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None declared.

18 TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ASKED BY THE PUBLIC UNDER STANDING ORDER 8.

None received.

19 TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ASKED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER STANDING ORDER 9.

None received.

20 ARNOLD LEISURE CENTRE REFURBISHMENT

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, seeking approval for additional capital borrowing to complete the re-design and refurbishment of Arnold Leisure Centre and Bonington Theatre.

Councillor Pulk seconded by Councillor WJ Clarke proposed the motion.

In proposing the motion, Councillor Pulk made Members aware of an error at paragraph 3.1 of the report, where the original budget for improvement works should have been listed as £957,000.

RESOLVED:

That additional capital borrowing in total not to exceed £320,000 (incl. Fees) to complete the improvements works to Arnold Leisure Centre be approved.

21 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION: SCRUTINY ARRANGEMENTS.

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director and the Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, seeking Council's approval for amendments to the Constitution to reflect the proposed changes to the Scrutiny Committee structure.

Councillor Hope seconded by Councillor Paling proposed the motion.

RESOLVED that:

1. The amendments to the Constitution as set out in Appendix 1 to the report are approved.
2. The Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer is authorised to make the amendments to the Constitution set out in Appendix 1 to the report.
3. The amendments to the Constitution set out in Appendix 2 of the report stand adjourned to the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

22 TIMING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director and the Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, asking the Council to consider a change to the start time of Council meetings following a request from the Labour Group.

Councillor W.J. Clarke seconded by Councillor D. Ellis proposed the motion.

RESOLVED:

That the matter stand adjourned without discussion to the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

23 RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET, 6 JUNE 2013, MINUTE 7, RESOLUTIONS 5 I, II, III AND IV- COUNCIL PLAN AND BUDGET OUTTURN AND BUDGET CARRY FORWARDS 2013/13.

In respect of minute 7, resolutions 5 (i),(ii),(iii) and (iv) it was moved by Councillor W.J. Clarke and seconded by Councillor Payne that the recommendations contained in the minute be approved.

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

RESOLVED:

To approve:

1. The revenue carry forward of £90,000 for the Superfast Broadband Scheme being a non-committed scheme in excess of £10,000;
2. The capital carry forward of £103,300 for the Disabled Facilities Grants Scheme being a non-committed scheme in excess of £50,000;
3. The overall method of financing of the 2012/13 capital expenditure as set out in Appendix 7 of the report;
4. The capital determinations in Section 3.4 of the report to Cabinet.

24 RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET, 6 JUNE 2013, MINUTE 8- ANNUAL TREASURY ACTIVITY REPORT 2012/13.

In respect of minute 8, it was moved by Councillor W.J. Clarke and seconded by Councillor Payne that the recommendation contained in the minute be approved.

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

RESOLVED:

To approve the Annual Treasury Activity Report for 2012/13 together with the appendices.

25 TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS CONCERNING ANY MATTER DEALT WITH BY THE EXECUTIVE OR BY A COMMITTEE OR SUB-COMMITTEE (STANDING ORDER 11.1).

In accordance with Standing Order 11.01, a number of comments were made and responded to by the appropriate Cabinet Member or Committee Chair.

Councillor Ainley left the meeting at 8.25pm

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TO CONSIDER COMMENTS, OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN, UNDER STANDING ORDER 11.03(A).

None

The meeting finished at 8.55 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: