

**WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL**

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council held in the Guildhall, Winchester on 13 April 2005

Attendance:

Councillor Sutton (The Mayor in the Chair) (P)

## Councillors:

Allgood (P)	Jackson (P)
Baxter (P)	Jeffer (P)
Beckett (P)	Johnston (P)
Bennetts	Knasel (P)
Berry (P)	Learney (P)
Beveridge (P)	Lipscomb (P)
Bidgood (P)	Love
Busher (P)	Macmillan (P)
Campbell (P)	Mather (P)
Chamberlain (P)	Maynard (P)
Chapman (P)	Merritt (P)
Clohosey (P)	Mitchell (P)
Coates (P)	Nelmes (P)
Collin (P)	Nunn (P)
Cook (P)	Pearce (P)
Cooper (P)	Pearson (P)
Darbyshire	Pines (P)
Davies (P)	Quar (P)
de Peyer (P)	Read (P)
Evans (P)	Rees (P)
Goodall	Saunders (P)
Hammerton (P)	Stallard (P)
Higgins (P)	Steel (P)
Hiscock (P)	Tait (P)
Hoare (P)	Verney (P)
Hollingbery	Wagner (P)
Hutton	Wright (P)

1073. **MINUTES**

## RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 24 February 2005 be approved and adopted, subject to, in Minute 844.18, the name of the questioner being changed from Councillor Pearson to Councillor Pearce.

1074. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR**

The Mayor reported with regret the death of Mrs Mary Spicer, who was Mayoress of the City for the 1969/70 Municipal Year. A letter of condolence would be sent to her family.

1075. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE LEADER**

The Leader was pleased to report that the City Council had again received Investors in People accreditation and the Council's Private Sector Housing Team had been voted best in Hampshire. She congratulated all concerned with the achievement of those awards.

1076. **QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 14**

4.1 **Applicants for Council Housing – Statistics**

The Portfolio Holder for Housing, Councillor Hiscock, answered a question from Councillor Coates.

4.2 **Building works not undertaken in accordance with Planning Permissions**

The Portfolio Holder for Planning, Councillor Beveridge, answered a question from Councillor Busher.

4.3 **SEERA – Membership and Proceedings**

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Campbell, answered a question from Councillor Wright.

4.4 **Performance of the Housing Revenue Account and Registered Social Landlords**

The Portfolio Holder for Housing, Councillor Hiscock, answered a question from Councillor Coates.

1077. **PLANNING DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Planning Development Control Committee held on 10 February 2005.

1078. **PRINCIPAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Principal Scrutiny Committee held on 14 February 2005.

1079. **CABINET**

The Council received the delegated minutes of Cabinet held on 2 March 2005.

The Chairman, Councillor Campbell, moved that Recommended Minutes 891, 893, 894 and 895 be approved and adopted.

## RESOLVED:

That Recommended Minutes 891, 893, 894 and 895 be approved and adopted.

**1080. WINCHESTER TOWN FORUM**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Winchester Town Forum held on 3 March 2005.

**1081. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Personnel Committee held on 7 March 2005.

**1082. COMMUNITY, ARTS AND SOCIAL PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Community, Arts and Social Performance Improvement Committee held on 8 March 2005.

**1083. PLANNING DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meetings of the Planning Development Control Committee held on 9 and 10 March 2005.

**1084. WEST OF WATERLOOVILLE FORUM**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the West of Waterlooville Forum held on 9 March 2005.

**1085. HEALTH PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Health Performance Improvement Committee held on 14 March 2005.

**1086. ENVIRONMENT AND ACCESS PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Access Performance Improvement Committee held on 16 March 2005.

**1087. HOUSING PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Housing Performance Improvement Committee held on 17 March 2005.

**1088. CENTRAL SERVICES PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Central Services Performance Improvement Committee held on 22 March 2005.

1089. **CABINET**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 23 March 2005.

The Chairman, Councillor Campbell, moved that Recommended Minutes 1008 and 1015 be approved and adopted.

With regard to Recommended Minute 1008, Cllr Campbell referred to letters to SEERA from the Chief Executive (dated 11 April 2005) and from the Chairman of PUSH (also dated 11 April 2005) which had been circulated at the meeting. Cllr Campbell then referred to revised recommended comments which were proposed to be made on behalf of the City Council and which had also been circulated at the meeting. It was those amended comments which Council was now being requested to agree when approving and adopting Recommended Minute 1008, which she duly moved.

Councillor Lipscomb declared a personal (but not prejudicial) interest in Recommended Minute 1008 as he was a member of the Dever Society. He remained in the meeting, spoke and voted thereon. Councillor Lipscomb also declared a personal (but not prejudicial) interest in Recommended Minute 1015 as he was a Non-executive Director of the Strategic Health Authority. He remained in the meeting, spoke and voted thereon.

Amendment (1) Councillor Clohosey (2) Councillor Merritt

‘That with regard to Recommended Minute 1008, Recommendation 1 be amended by the addition of the following words at the end of the sentence ‘subject to SEERA being requested to remove Wickham Ward from the South Hampshire Sub-Regional Area’.

Amendment lost.

Amendment (1) Councillor Allgood (2) Councillor Read

‘That with regard to Recommended Minute 1008, Recommendation 1 be amended by the addition of the following words at the end of the sentence, ‘subject to SEERA being requested to re-draw the boundaries and place the Parish of Denmead within the ‘rest of Hampshire’ designation.’

Amendment lost.

Original Motion (as amended by the revised comments) carried.

At the conclusion of the debate on this Minute and as part of the delegation contained in Recommendation 2 of Recommended Minute 1008, the Chief Executive agreed to include a number of general comments now made in the Council’s final response on this matter.

Amendment (1) Councillor Wright (2) Councillor Pearson

'That with regard to Recommended Minute 1015, the following words be added to the end of Recommendation 1, 'subject to deletion of the last sentence in the Notice of Motion which states 'We therefore adopt the attached smoke-free Charter.'

Amendment lost.

Original motion carried

RESOLVED:

That Recommended Minutes 1008 (as amended) and 1015 be approved and adopted.

1090. **PRINCIPAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Principal Scrutiny Committee held on 29 March 2005.

The Chairman, Councillor Allgood, moved that Recommended Minute 1038 be approved and adopted.

The Chief Executive reported that the Minute should be taken in conjunction with Recommended Minute 1062 from the meeting of Cabinet held on 4 April 2005, subject to the Mayor agreeing to accept those Cabinet Minutes onto the agenda.

Council noted that the minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 4 April 2005 had not been circulated within the statutory deadline. The Mayor agreed to accept the minutes onto the agenda, as a matter requiring urgent consideration, because of the need to have any new procedural arrangements in place as soon as possible in the new Municipal Year.

Amendment (1) Councillor Campbell (2) Councillor Mitchell

'That the amendments to Recommended Minute 1038 as proposed by Cabinet at its meeting held on 4 April 2005 (Recommended Minute 1062 refers) be agreed.'

Amendment carried.

Substantive motion carried.

RESOLVED:

1. That Recommended Minute 1038 (as amended by Recommended Minute 1062) be approved and adopted.

2. That the officers involved with the review of Council procedures for Overview and Scrutiny be thanked for their work.

1091. **SPECIAL COMMITTEE (APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS AND PARISH REPRESENTATIVES TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE)**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of the Special Committee (Appointment of Independent Members and Parish Representatives to the Standards Committee) held on 31 March 2005.

The Chairman, Councillor Baxter, moved that Recommended Minute 1053 be approved and adopted.

RESOLVED:

That Recommended Minute 1053 be approved and adopted.

1092. **CABINET**

The Council received the delegated minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 4 April 2005.

It was noted that Recommended Minute 1062 had been dealt with earlier in the meeting.

The Chairman, Councillor Campbell, moved that Recommended Minute 1063 be approved and adopted, subject to, in Recommendation 12(b), the inclusion of the Chairman of the Principal Scrutiny Committee amongst those Members who would receive paper copies of reports of all Committees of the Council. This was a factual amendment, because it had been the intention of Cabinet to include this arrangement, but the point had been inadvertently omitted from the Minute.

Amendment (1) Councillor Allgood (2) Councillor Tait

'That Recommendation 12 be deleted and that instead, each Member indicates at the beginning of a Municipal Year which agenda and reports they would wish to continue to receive in paper copy.'

Amendment lost.

Amendment (1) Councillor Mitchell (2) Councillor Rees

'That Recommendation 13 be not agreed, and the provision of Member buffets be referred to the meeting of Group Leaders that would be considering other issues raised in this Minute.'

Amendment carried.

Substantive motion carried.

At the conclusion of the debate, the Chairman, Councillor Campbell, also agreed to re-examine at the Group Leader's meeting the proposed reduced circulation of paper copies of the Planning Development Control Committee agenda.

RESOLVED:

That Recommended Minute 1063 (as amended) be approved and adopted.

1093. **EXEMPT BUSINESS**

RESOLVED:

That the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business because it is likely that, if members of the public were present, there would be disclosure to them of 'exempt information' as defined by Section 100I and Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

<u>Minute Number</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Description of Exempt Information</u>
1094	Appointment of Independent Members and Parish Representatives to the Standards Committee	Information relating to a particular employee, former employee or applicant to become an employee of, or a particular office-holder, former office-holder or applicant to become an office-holder under the authority. (Para 1 to Schedule 12A refers).

1094. **SPECIAL COMMITTEE (APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS AND PARISH REPRESENTATIVES TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE) – 31 MARCH 2005**

The Chairman, Councillor Baxter, moved that Recommended Minute 1054 be approved and adopted.

RESOLVED:

That Recommended Minute 1054 be approved and adopted.

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm and concluded at 11.30 pm.

The Mayor