WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council held in the Guildhall, Winchester on 12 September 2007.

Attendance:

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

Councillors:

Allgood (P) Huxstep (P) Anthony (P) Izard (P) Barratt (P) Jackson (P) Baxter (P) Jeffs (P) Johnston (P) Beckett (P) Bell (P) Learney (P) Berry (P) Lipscomb (P) Beveridge (P) Love (P) Mather (P) Biggs (P) Busher (P) Maynard (P) Nelmes (P) Chamberlain (P) Chapman (P) Nunn (P) Coates (P) Pearce Collin (P) Pearson (P) Cook (P) Read (P) Cooper (P) Ruffell (P) Saunders Evans (P) Spender (P) Fall (P) Fitzgerald (P) Stallard (P) Godfrey (P) Stephens Goodall (P) Sutton (P) Hammerton (P) Tait (P) Hicks (P) Verney (P) Higgins (P) Wagner Hiscock (P) Weston (P) Hollingbery (P) Wood (P) Howell (P) Worrall (P) Humby (P) Wright (P)

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 27 June 2007 be approved and adopted.

2. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

The Mayor explained that the Council was meeting in the King Alfred Hall, as an experiment, to assess the possibility of holding Council meetings there on a permanent basis. Members were invited to forward any comments to Group Leaders, who will be consulted about any necessary changes, before the next Council meeting on 31 October 2007.

The Mayor then referred to the Winchester Volunteers Awards and invited Members to put forward the names of any local residents who they considered deserved recognition for services to the community.

Finally, the Mayor reminded the Council that the Chief Executive would be part of a group cycling to the City Council's twin city of Laon in aid of the Mayor's Charities and sponsorship would be welcomed.

3. QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 14(2)(b)

1. <u>Vacancy Management – Effect on Planning Enforcement Posts</u>

The Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transport, Councillor Wood, answered a question from Councillor Evans.

2. Winchester Business Improvement District (BID)

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Beckett, answered a question from Councillor Mather.

3. Progress of Fundamental Service Reviews

The Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources, Councillor Allgood, answered a question from Councillor Ruffell.

4. Speed Limit for Vehicles in Winchester Town Centre

The Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transport, Councillor Wood, answered as question from Councillor Tait.

5. Repairs to Paved Areas in Winchester High Street

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Beckett, answered a question from Councillor Worrall.

6. Proposed Netball Court Markings on Tennis Courts at River Park Leisure Centre

The Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage and Sport, Councillor Stallard, answered a question from Councillor Maynard.

7. South East Plan - Results of Examination in Public

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Beckett, answered a question from Councillor Huxstep.

8. Representations by Ward Members on Licensing Applications

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Beckett, answered a question from Councillor Bell.

9. Remembrance Sunday – 11 November 2007

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Beckett, answered a question from Councillor Lipscomb.

10. Possible Reduction in Safety Inspections at Large Public Events

The Portfolio Holder for Environment, Health and Safety, Councillor Pearson, answered a question from Councillor Fitzgerald.

11. Improvement in Planning Development Control Procedures

The Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transport, Councillor Wood, answered a question from Councillor Cooper.

12. Residents Access to Internet Services

The Portfolio Holder for Performance and Communications, Councillor Hollingbery, answered a question from Councillor Evans.

13. Affordable Housing Units at Peninsula Barracks, Winchester

The Portfolio Holder for Housing and Communities, Councillor Coates, answered a question from Councillor Tait.

14. Consultations regarding the Post Office's Network Change Programme

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Beckett, answered a question from Councillor Lipscomb.

15. Vandalism in Winchester Town Centre - Coverage by CCTV

The Portfolio Holder for Environment, Health and Safety, Councillor Pearson, answered a question from Councillor Tait.

16. Community Chest Grant – Winchester Art Club

The Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage and Sport, Councillor Stallard, answered a question from Councillor Evans.

17. Powers of the Winchester Town Forum

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Beckett, answered a question from Councillor Tait.

4. CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDED MINUTES

<u>Cabinet – 17 July 2007</u>

Capital Strategy and Programme 2007

The Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources, Councillor Allgood, moved that Recommended Minute 179 be approved and adopted.

RESOLVED:

That Recommended Minute 179 be approved and adopted.

<u>Cabinet - 17 July 2007</u>

<u>Minor Amendments to the Constitution – Scheme of Delegation to Officers (Part 3, Section 6)</u>

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Beckett, moved that Recommended Minute 192 be approved and adopted.

Amendment

(1) Councillor Beckett

(2) Councillor Pearson

'That the recommendation set out in Report CL48 regarding additional delegated powers to be listed under the Head of Revenues, also be approved, when approving Recommended Minute 192'

Amendment carried.

Substantive motion carried.

RESOLVED:

That Recommended Minute 192, as amended by the inclusion of the recommendation from Report CL48 regarding additional delegated powers to be listed under the Head of Revenues, be approved and adopted.

5. **APPOINTMENTS TO BODIES SET UP BY THE COUNCIL**

RESOLVED:

- 1. That Councillor Bell replace Councillor Maynard as a full member and Councillor Maynard replace Councillor Bell as a Deputy Member, on the Local Economy Scrutiny Panel.
- 2. That Councillor Izard replace Councillor Maynard as a full member on the Resources Scrutiny Panel.
- 3. That Councillor Evans replace Councillor Nelmes as a full Member, and Councillor Nelmes replaces Councillor Beveridge as a Deputy Member, on the Principal Scrutiny Committee.

The meeting commenced at 7pm and concluded at 8.45pm

The Mayor