

WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

At an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council as held in the Guildhall, Winchester on 11 October 2016.

Attendance:

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

Councillors:

Achwal (P)	Huxstep (P)
Ashton	Izard (P)
Bell (P)	Jefferies (P)
Bentote (P)	Laming (P)
Berry (P)	Learney (P)
Brook (P)	Mather (P)
Burns	McLean (P)
Byrnes (P)	Miller (P)
Clear (P)	Pearson (P)
Cook (P)	Porter (P)
Cutler (P)	Prince (P)
Elks	Read (P)
Evans (P)	Ruffell (P)
Gemmell (P)	Scott (P)
Godfrey (P)	Stallard (P)
Gottlieb	Tait (P)
Green (P)	Thacker (P)
Griffiths (P)	Thompson
Hiscock (P)	Tod (P)
Horrill (P)	Warwick (P)
Humby (P)	Weir (P)
Hutchison (P)	Weston (P)

1. **MINUTES**

Council noted that Council Procedure Rule 4 (2) stated that the business to be conducted at Extraordinary Council meetings was to be limited only to the issue which had caused the meeting to be convened, in addition to questions under Council Procedure Rule 14. Therefore, accordingly, consideration of the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 20 July 2016 would be dealt with at the next scheduled Ordinary Meeting on 2 November 2016.

2. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

The Mayor's first announcement was with regard to the recent death of former Councillor Ken Carter, who served as councillor for Boarhunt and Southwick from 1984 – 1988 and also from 1991 – 2004 and was chairman of Licensing and Regulation Committee, until he emigrated to New Zealand. Council observed a minute's silence in memory of former Councillor Ken Carter.

The Mayor then announced her forthcoming Charities events. These included a concert in St John's Church, Alresford at 7.30pm on 15 October 2016 (tickets now on sale at £15) and also a Wine Tasting Supper on Friday 28 October at Winchester Guildhall at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £25. The Mayor then reminded Council of her recent charity cycle around the Winchester district and that the on-line donation page was still open for sponsorship. Further details of all of the Mayor's Charities events were listed on the Charities webpage.

The Mayor's next announcement was that on Tuesday 18 October, she was to host in Abbey House the University of Winchester's Chancellor and Vice Chancellor and several other senior dignitaries from the University, before processing with them to the Cathedral for the first Graduation ceremony of the year.

The Mayor then reminded Members of the marvellous spectacle the previous year when the Adjutant General Corp exercised the Regiment's Freedom of City by parading through the streets of Winchester. Colonel Andy King (the Regimental Colonel who was instrumental in bringing Freedom Parade into Winchester) was to present the City with a piece of commemorative artwork that had been specially commissioned in commemoration of the event. The art was to be on display at the next full Council on Wednesday 2 November for all Members to see.

Finally, the Mayor congratulated staff for their support in the arrangements for some excellent events during the summer period. These included the Queen's 90th birthday celebrations, the Criterion cycle race, and most recently; the inaugural Winchester Half Marathon. She reminded members of the involvement of officers in the organisation of events both in Winchester and across the district and that their professional input was key to ensuring the success of these events and that they continued to be safe for residents and for our many visitors. A number of festivals (including the recent the Jazz and Poetry festivals) had also helped to enliven the culture of the city and district, many of which had also been supported by grants from the City Council.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE LEADER**

The Leader made no announcements.

4. **DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS ETC**

Having regard to their roles as Hampshire County Councillors, Councillors Humby, Huxstep, Mather, Porter, Stallard and Tod each declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in any matter on the agenda which may have a County Council involvement. Councillor Godfrey made the same declaration due to his role as a County Council employee as did Councillor Thacker, whose husband was a Hampshire County Councillor. However, as there were no material conflicts of interest, they all remained in the room under the dispensation granted on behalf of the Standards Committee, to participate and vote in all such matters.

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

Seven Questions were asked by Members, which are set out in full on the Council's website, together with responses from the relevant portfolio holder. The Mayor allowed time for supplementary Questions to be asked and responded to.

6. **CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDED MINUTES**

The Recommended Minute of the Appointments Committee held 4 October 2016 was circulated with a supplementary agenda after the statutory deadline. The Mayor agreed to accept the Recommended Minutes onto the agenda, because of the urgent need for Council to consider the matters therein.

a) **Appointments Committee - 4 October 2016**

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

(Report PER294 refers)

As the substantive matter before Council (including Recommended Minute) could only be dealt with exempt session, Council noted the open minute of the Appointments Committee before agreeing to resolve to move into exempt session to allow it to debate the issue and to make its final decision on the appointment.

RESOLVED:

That the open minutes of the Appointments Committee held 4 October 2016 be noted.

7. **EXEMPT BUSINESS**

RESOLVED:

1. That in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

2. That the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item 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>
##	Appointment of Chief Executive and) Information relating to a particular individual. (Para 1 to Schedule 12A refers).

Head of Paid Service)
) Information which is likely to
) reveal the identity of an
) individual. (Para 2 to Schedule
) 12A refers)
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) Information relating to any
) consultations or negotiations, or
) contemplated consultations or
) negotiations, in connection with
) any labour relations matter
) arising between the authority or
) a Minister of the Crown and
) employees of, or office holders
) under, the authority. (Para 4 to
) Schedule 12A refers)
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b) **Appointments Committee - 4 October 2016**

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

(Report PER294 refers)

The Leader moved that the Exempt Minute the Appointments Committee held 4 October 2016 be approved and adopted. It was confirmed that no material or well founded objection had been made by a member of Cabinet with regard to the recommendation for an appointment to the role.

RESOLVED

That the Exempt Recommended Minute of the Appointments Committee held 4 October 2016 be approved and adopted.

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm and concluded at 7.45pm.

The Mayor