WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council as held in the Guildhall, Winchester on 11 January 2017.

Attendance:

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

Councillors:

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

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 2 November 2016, less exempt item, be approved and adopted.

2. 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.

Councillor Huxstep declared a personal interest with regard to agenda item 6(a) Approval of Key Measures for Winchester Air Quality Action Plan (Report CAB2869 refers) as he was the Hampshire County Council designated WinAcc Trustee. He remained in the room and spoke and voted thereon.

3. APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Council noted that Councillor Godfrey had today formally resigned as Leader of the Council.

Council considered the following nominations, following a brief speech from both.

Nomination (1) Councillor Godfrey (2) Councillor Humby

"That Councillor Horrill be appointed as Leader of the Council."

Nomination (1) Councillor Clear (2) Councillor Evans

"That Councillor Thompson be appointed as Leader of the Council."

Council voted on the nominations received.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Horrill be appointed Leader of the Council.

4. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

The Mayor reported that she had written letters to the following people who lived or worked in the District, to congratulate them on their awards in the New Year's Honours List:-

Dr. David Watson, Director, IBM Research UK - for services to Science and Engineering Research (based at IBM Hursley).

Richard John Cheetham, Senior Fellow in Sports Coaching, University of Winchester - for services to Education and Community Sport (Alresford, Hampshire)

Christopher Patrick Coleman, Manager, Welsh National Football Team - for services to Football (Winchester, Hampshire)

Mrs Kathleen Slack, Director, Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership – for services to the economy and community of south east England.

The Mayor then informed the meeting that she would be pleased to receive Members' nominations for people who deserved to be recognised for the work they performed in the community, through the Mayor's Awards for 2016/17. The event would be held in the Bapsy Hall, Guildhall on Wednesday 29 March 2017 at 6pm.

The Mayor also referred to her various Charity events. On Saturday 28 January, it was the Annual Quiz Night in the Guildhall. There was to be Wine Tasting in Abbey House on Friday 24 March and a Concert with the Winchester Cathedral Girls' Choir on Saturday 29 April.

The Mayor then reported that she would send the Council's best wishes to former Councillor Robert Johnston as he continued to make progress in his recovery from his recent illness.

Finally, the Mayor welcomed and introduced Laura Taylor who this week had started work at the City Council as Chief Executive.

She thanked the Mayor and reported that she was very much looking forward to working with all elected Members of the Council and in the communities that they represented.

5. QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 14

19 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

a) (i) Cabinet - 7 December 2016

(ii) The Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 12 December 2016

<u>APPROVAL OF KEY MEASURES FOR WINCHESTER AIR QUALITY ACTION</u> PLAN

(Report CAB2869 refers)

The Leader, Councillor Horrill, moved that the Recommended Minute of Cabinet be approved and adopted. The item was introduced by the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Health and Wellbeing, Councillor Pearson.

Amendment (1) Councillor Bell (2) Councillor Tod

Replace recommendation in recommended minute with

"That the Council endorses the motion originally proposed by Cllr Eleanor Bell and welcomes the commitment to the measures set out in sections 8.7 & 8.10 of report CAB2869, and should additionally ensure that forthcoming strategies and plans affecting Winchester should explicitly include a section addressing air

quality issues."

As more than a quarter of the Council present indicated that it was their wish, the Mayor agreed that a recorded vote be taken in respect of both Nominations.

Division Lists

The following Members voted in favour of the amendment:

Councillors Achwal, Bell, Bentote, Clear, Cutler, Elks, Evans, Hiscock, Hutchison, Izard, Laming, Learney, Porter, Prince, Rutter, Scott, Thompson, Tod and Weir.

The following Members voted against the amendment:

Councillors Ashton, Brook, Burns, Cook, Gemmell, Godfrey, Gottlieb, Griffiths, Horrill, Humby, Huxstep, Jeffs, Mather, McLean, Miller, Pearson, Read, Ruffell, Stallard, Tait, Thacker, Warwick and Weston.

Amendment lost.

Original Motion carried.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Recommended Minute of Cabinet be approved and adopted.
- 2. That the Recommended Minute of The Overview and Scrutiny Committee be noted.

b) (i) Cabinet - 7 December 2016

PROPOSED CREATION OF AN OPEN MARKET SHARED OWNERSHIP SCHEME FOR WINCHESTER DISTRICT

(Report CAB2861 refers)

The Leader, Councillor Horrill, moved that the Recommended Minute of the Cabinet be approved and adopted. The item was introduced by Councillor Godfrey.

RESOLVED:

That the Recommended Minute of Cabinet be approved and adopted.

c) <u>(i) Cabinet – 7 December 2016</u>

PROPOSED CREATION OF A STRATEGIC ACQUISITION STRATEGY (Report CAB2872 refers)

The Leader, Councillor Horrill, moved that the Recommended Minute of Cabinet be approved and adopted. The item was introduced by Councillor Godfrey.

RESOLVED:

That the Recommended Minute of Cabinet be approved and adopted

d) (i) Audit Committee - 24 November 2016

TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID YEAR REVIEW

(Report AUD174 refers)

The Chairman of the Audit Committee, Councillor Cutler, moved that the Recommended Minute of the Audit Committee be approved and adopted.

RESOLVED:

That the Recommended Minute of the Audit Committee be approved and adopted.

e) (i) Audit Committee – 24 November 2016

<u>DECISION TO OPT INTO NATIONAL SCHEME FOR AUDITOR</u> <u>APPOINTMENTS WITH PSAA AS THE 'APPOINTING PERSON'</u>

(Report AUD178 refers)

The Chairman of the Audit Committee, Councillor Cutler, moved that the Recommended Minute of the Audit Committee be approved and adopted.

RESOLVED:

That the Recommended Minute of the Audit Committee be approved and adopted.

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.

Minute Number	<u>Item</u>			Description of Exempt Information
##	It b A C (I	Confidential tem – Report by the assistant Director Estates and Regeneration))))))	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). (Para 3 Schedule 12A refers)

8. **EXEMPT MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

That the exempt minute of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 2 November 2016 be approved and adopted.

The meeting commenced at 7.05pm, and concluded at 9.45pm.

The Mayor