

**WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL**

At an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council as held in the Guildhall, Winchester on 21 November 2017.

**Attendance:**

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

Councillors:

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

**1. SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 4 (2)**

To allow for this Extraordinary Meeting of Council to consider approval of minutes of the previous meeting and also allowing it to consider 'making or termination of appointments to bodies set up by the Council', a preliminary procedural Motion to suspend Council Procedure Rule 4 (2) was required.

Motion            (1) Councillor Horrill            (2) Councillor Humby

'That Council Procedure Rule 4 (2) be suspended to allow for consideration of the approval of minutes of the previous meeting and also 'making or termination of appointments to bodies set up by the Council'.'

Motion carried

2. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 11 October 2017, less exempt Minute, be approved and adopted.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND THE LEADER**

The Mayor paid tribute to former Councillor, Tom Houghton following his recent death. Mr Houghton had represented Wickham Ward from 1994 to 2002 and he had been appointed to several committees during this time, becoming chairman of the Housing Committee. The deputy Mayor Councillor Pearson had attended his funeral yesterday, 20 November 2017.

The Mayor asked that Council stand in silent tribute to his memory

The Mayor announced his forthcoming charity event on 30 November which was to be Gin Tasting in Abbey House. Tickets were still available.

Finally, the Mayor advised that there was to be the usual Mayor's Mince Pies over lunchtime on Wednesday 13 December. All staff and Members were invited.

The Leader took the opportunity to set out the Council's commitment to develop a new sports and leisure facility at Bar End and reminded council that the facility mix of an 8 court sports hall, 50 metre pool, fitness suite, café, squash courts, hydrotherapy suite and associated treatments rooms had been agreed by Cabinet on 13 November 2017. She made reference to the comments made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and other members in respect of a 12 court sports hall and emphasised that Strategic Needs Assessment and Outline Business Case supported an 8 court facility. The Leader advised that she would ask officers to look again at the case for 12 courts on the Bar End site but also to prepare the case for a 4 court sports hall to be provided elsewhere in the district. The Leader said that the Needs Assessment had indicated that the southern parishes could be under provided in sport and leisure facilities towards the end of the Needs Assessment timeframe and that as a district council it was important that the needs of the whole district was considered. The Leader advised that an All Member Briefing would be arranged to discuss these two matters.

4. **THE MAKING OR TERMINATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO BODIES SET UP BY THE COUNCIL**

RESOLVED:

For The Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Councillor Thacker to be replaced by Councillor Jeffs who was currently a deputy member of that Committee. Councillor Jeffs to be replaced as deputy member by Councillor Mather.

5. **DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS ETC**

There were no declarations made.

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

20 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.

7. **CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDED MINUTES**

(a) **Cabinet – 13 November 2017**

**STRATEGIC ASSET PURCHASE SCHEME (LESS EXEMPT APPENDIX)**  
(Report CAB2996 and CL136 refer)

The Council noted that Report CL136 had not been notified for inclusion on the agenda within the statutory deadline. The Mayor agreed to accept the item onto the agenda as a matter requiring urgent consideration to ensure the Council could consider the Recommended Minutes of Cabinet with regard to the proposals outlined in Report CAB2996.

The Leader moved that the recommended Minute of Cabinet as set out in Report CL136 be approved and adopted. Councillor Ashton (Portfolio Holder for Finance) introduced the Report.

Following questions and debate, the meeting resolved to move into exempt session to allow it to discuss the information set out in the exempt appendices to the Report (and corresponding Exempt Minute of Cabinet held 13 November 2017 as set out in Appendix B of Report CL136) before returning to open session to make its decision.

RESOLVED:

That the Recommended Minutes of Cabinet held 13 November 2017 as set out in Report CL136 be approved and adopted.

8. **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>
##	Strategic Asset Purchase Scheme (Exempt Appendix)	) Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). (Para 3 Schedule 12A refers)
##	Extract of Exempt Minutes of Cabinet held 13 November 2017	

9. **Cabinet – 13 November 2017**

**STRATEGIC ASSET PURCHASE SCHEME (LESS EXEMPT APPENDIX)**  
(Reports CAB2996 and CL136 refer)

The meeting considered the information set out in the Exempt Appendices of Report CAB2996 and the Exempt Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held 13 November 2017 as set out in Appendix B of Report CL136.

RESOLVED

That the Exempt Minute of Cabinet as set out in Appendix B of Report CL136, be noted.

10. **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>
###	Exempt Minute of Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 21 November 2017	) Information relating to a particular individual. (Para 1 to Schedule 12A refers).
	• Report of the Chief Executive	) Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual. (Para 2 to Schedule 12A refers)
		) 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)

11. **EXMPT MINUTE**

RESOLVED:

That, the Exempt Minute of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 11 October 2017 be approved and adopted.

The meeting commenced at 7pm and concluded at 9.20pm.

The Mayor