# MINUTES of the MEETING of the SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL held at the Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 6.00pm

#### PRESENT:-

#### **Conservative Group**

Councillor Muller (Chairman), Councillor Atkin (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Angliss, Brady, Mrs. Bridgen, Mrs. Brown, Churchill, Corbin, Dawson, Fitzpatrick, Ford, Mrs. Haines, Hewlett, Mrs. Patten, Pegg, Dr. Perry, Roberts, Watson, Mrs. Wheelton and Whittenham.

### **Labour Group**

Councillors Bambrick, Dunn, Gee, Mrs. Heath, Mulgrew, Dr. Pearson, Rhind, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd, and Tilley.

# CL/27 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillors Billings and MacPherson (Conservative Group) and Councillors Singh, Mrs. Stuart and Taylor (Labour Group).

#### CL/28 PRESENTATION: LONG SERVICE AWARD

The Chairman presented a long service award to Christine Logan, who had completed 20 years' service as at 31st March 2019.

## CL/29 MINUTES OF ANNUAL COUNCIL

The Open Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 (CL/1-CL/23) were approved as a true record.

#### CL/30 MINUTES OF CIVIC COUNCIL

The Open Minutes of the Civic Council Meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019 (CC/1-CC/5) were approved as a true record.

#### CL/31 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Council was informed no declarations of interest had been received.

#### CL/32 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman of the Council thanked Members and staff for the support received at this year's Civic Council Meeting. The Chairman advised his

chosen charity for the year was Rainbow's Hospice and invited Members to attend his civic service.

## CL/33 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

The Leader thanked staff and emergency response units for their assistance in responding to both the fire at the pallet business in Church Gresley and the discovery of the World War II unexploded bomb at Sainbury's. The Leader commended this year's Festival of Leisure and the flying of the Armed Forces Flag during the week to commemorate Armed Forces Day over the weekend.

### CL/34 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

Council was informed no announcements had been received.

# CL/35 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10

Council was informed no questions had been received.

# CL/36 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

Council was informed no questions had been received.

## CL/37 NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 12, Councillor Dr. Pearson had given notice of the following motion:

This Council notes that humans have caused climate change, the impacts of which are being felt around the world. In order to reduce the chance of runaway global warming and limit the effects of climate breakdown, it is imperative that all countries reduce carbon equivalent (CO2eq) emissions from their current 6.5 tonnes per person per year to less than 2 tonnes as soon as possible.

Councils like South Derbyshire are uniquely placed to lead the world in reducing carbon emissions, for example through:

- improving the energy efficiency of Council properties
- the use of electric powered vehicles
- requiring carbon saving measures in its procurement processes
- prioritising climate adaption measures in planning

This Council believes that local government has a duty to limit the negative impact of climate change, and that it should take a lead on moving South Derbyshire toward carbon neutrality.

This Council pledges to:

- Declare a Climate Emergency
- Make South Derbyshire District Council carbon neutral by 2030

- Call on the UK Government to provide the powers and resources to make the 2030 target possible
- Work with partners across the District and region to deliver this goal through all relevant strategies
- Report back to Council within six months with the actions the Council will take to address this emergency.

The Leader proposed amendments to the motion, to read as follows:

This Council pledges to:

- Declare a Climate Emergency
- Strive to make South Derbyshire District Council carbon neutral by 2030 and achieve Carbon Neutrality before the Government target of 2050
- Call on the UK Government to provide the powers and resources to make the 2030 target realistic
- Work with partners across the District and region to deliver this goal through all relevant strategies
- Report back to Council within six months and have a standard E&D agenda Item on Environmental Improvements the Council are taking to address this emergency

Members responded to the amendments; welcoming the cross-party agreement on the matter. The amendments and the motion were then put to a vote.

#### **RESOLVED**:

That the motion, as amended, be carried.

#### CL/38 **OPEN MINUTES**

Council received and considered the open minutes of its Committees.

#### **RESOLVED:-**

# That the open minutes of the following Committees were approved as a true record:-

Committee	<u>Date</u>	Minute No.'s
Finance and Management	25.04.19	FM/167-FM/177
Environmental and Development Services	30.05.19	EDS/1-EDS/10
Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee	06.06.19	LAS/1-LAS/3
Housing and Community Services	06.06.19	HCS/1-HCS/13
Finance and Management	13.06.19	FM/1-FM/12

# CL/39 THE COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING PANELS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

#### **RESOLVED:-**

Council approved the following amendments:

## **Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee**

Councillor Taylor to replace Councillor Shepherd.

Single Status Steering Group

Councillor Richards to be appointed.

Community Partnership Scheme Assessment Panel

Councillors Rhind and Taylor to be appointed.

**Core Strategy Working Panel** 

Councillors Mulgrew and Rhind to be appointed.

Local Plan Officer/Member Working Group

Councillors Shepherd and Taylor to be appointed.

Service and Financial Planning Working Group

Councillors Dr. Pearson and Richards to be appointed.

## CL/40 COMPOSTION OF SUBSTITUTE PANELS

**RESOLVED:-**

Council approved the following amendments:

**Joint Consultative Committee** 

Councillors Angliss, Mrs. Brown, Fitzpatrick and Southerd to be appointed.

Finance and Management Committee

Councillor Mrs. Wheelton to replace Councillor Churchill.

#### CL/41 REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED:

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

## CL/42 REPRESENTATION OF MEMBER CHAMPIONS

RESOLVED:-

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

# CL/43 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

#### **RESOLVED:-**

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as indicated in the reports of Committees.

#### **EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL**

The Exempt Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 (Minute Nos.CL/24-CL/26) were approved as a true record.

# EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NUMBER 11

Council was informed no questions had been received.

#### **EXEMPT MINUTES**

Council received and considered the Exempt Minutes of its committees.

#### **RESOLVED:-**

That the Exempt Minutes of the following Committees be approved as a true record:-

Committee	<u>Date</u>	Minute No.'s
Finance and Management	25.04.19	FM/178-FM/183
Environmental and Development	30.05.19	EDS/11-EDS/13
Services		
Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee	06.06.19	LAS/4
Housing and Community Services	06.06.19	HCS/14-HCS/17
Finance and Management	13.06.19	FM/13-FM/19

The meeting terminated at 6.40pm.

COUNCILLOR D MULLER