

MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING of the
SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
held at Grove Hall, Swadlincote
on Thursday, 16th September 2021
at 6.00pm

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor Gee (Chair) and Councillor Dunn (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Bambrick, Mulgrew, Pearson, Rhind, Richards, Shepherd, Singh, Southerd, Stuart, Taylor and Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors Ackroyd, Atkin, Bridgen, Brown, Ford, Haines, Hewlett, Lemmon, Muller, Patten, Redfern, Smith and Watson.

Independent Group

Councillors Angliss, Dawson, Fitzpatrick, MacPherson and Roberts.

Non-Grouped

Councillor Wheelton

CL/43 **APOLOGIES**

Council was informed that an apology for absence had been received from Councillors Pegg and Heath (Labour Group) and Councillors Churchill and Corbin (Conservative Group).

CL/44 **TO CONFIRM THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The Open Minutes of the Council Meetings held on the 20th May 2021 (CL/1-CL/23) (resubmitted) and 24th June 2021 (CL/24 – CL/40) were approved as a true record.

CL/45 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Council was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

CL/46 **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman of the Council informed Council of the good turnout at the Sunday Civic Service which he attended. The Chairman presented the Chairman of the Finance and Management Committee with a 10 year Health and Safety Award received for the Council.

CL/47 **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER**

The Leader of the Council updated Members regarding the progress of the Freeport and of the positive impact of the Pension Credit Campaign, approved by Council in January 2021. The Leader of the Council welcomed Councillor Wheelton back to the Chamber.

CL/48 **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE**

The Head of Paid Service thanked the Leader for his involvement with the Freeport.

Members were informed of the economic position in South Derbyshire following the pandemic and the proposed new business coming into the District that had then potential to create many new jobs.

Members were advised that the Woodville Generation Route was on course to complete by the end of October 2021.

.CL/49 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10**

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/50 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11**

In Accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 12 Councillor Tilley moved the following motion:

“This Council believes planning works best when developers and the local community work together to shape local areas and deliver necessary new homes; and therefore, calls on the Government to protect the right of communities to object to individual planning applications”.

RESOLVED:

Council called on the Government to protect the right of communities to object to individual planning applications.

CL/51 **TO CONSIDER ANY NOTICES OF MOTION**

Council was informed that no notices of motion had been received.

CL/52 **ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21**

The Chief Executive presented the report to Council, outlining the key points within the report and highlighted the Green Flags awarded to parks within the District. He also commended the continuation of the waste collection service throughout the pandemic.

RESOLVED:

Elected Members approved, for publication, the Annual Report for 2020/21 as attached in Appendix A of the report.

CL/53 **TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Minutes No's</u>
Overview & Scrutiny	02.09.20	OS/1 – OS/10
Planning	22.09.20	PL/61 – PL75
Finance & Management	08.10.20	FM/66 – FM/75
Overview & Scrutiny	14.10.20	OS/11 – OS/18
Planning	20.10.20	PL/78 – PL/93
Planning	17.11.20	PL/94 – PL/104
Overview & Scrutiny	25.11.20	OS/19 – OS/25
Finance & Management	26.11.20	FM/81 – FM/96
Planning	15.12.20	PL/105 – PL/115
Environmental & Development	04.01.21	EDS/70 – EDS/77
Housing & Community Services	05.01.21	HCS/59 – HCS/66
Finance & Management	07.01.21	FM/100 – FM/112
Planning	12.01.21	PL/116 – PL/122
Overview & Scrutiny	13.01.21	OS/26 – OS/33
Environmental & Development	21.01.21	EDS/78 – EDS/89
Housing & Community Services	28.01.21	HCS/67 – HCS/78
Planning	09.02.21	PL/123 – PL/133
Overview & Scrutiny	10.02.21	OS/34 – OS/40
Finance & Management	11.02.21	FM/115 – FM/128
Environmental & Development	04.03.21	EDS/94 – EDS/102
Housing & Community Services	11.03.21	HCS/81 – HCS/91
Finance & Management	18.03.21	FM/132 – FM/145
Overview & Scrutiny	31.03.21	OS/41 – OS49
Housing & Community Services	20.04.21	HCS/95 – HCS/102
Environmental & Development	21.04.21	EDS/103 – EDS/109
Finance & Management	29.04.21	FM/151 – FM/160

RESOLVED:

That the above Committee Meetings open minutes were received and approved as a true record.

CL/54 **TO REVIEW THE COMPOSITIONS OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES, AND WORKING PANELS**

Members reviewed the composition of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Panels for 2021-22.

RESOLVED:

Environmental and Development Services Committee

Councillor Tilley to be replaced by Councillor Southerd

Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor Smith to replace Councillor Ackroyd

CL/55 **TO REVIEW THE COMPOSITIONS OF THE SUBSTITUTE PANELS**

Members reviewed the composition of Substitute Panels for 2021-22

RESOLVED:

Environmental and Development Committee

Councillor Southerd to be replaced by Councillor Tilley

Councillor Wheelton appointed as Non-Grouped Representative.

Planning Committee

Councillor Wheelton appointed as Non-Grouped Representative.

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Councillor Wheelton appointed as Non-Grouped Representative.

CL/56 **TO REVIEW REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

Members reviewed the Outside Bodies representation list.

RESOLVED:

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

CL/57 **TO REVIEW MEMBER CHAMPIONS**

Members reviewed the Representation of Member Champions.

RESOLVED:

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

CL/58 TO REVIEW CHAIRS OF AREA FORUMS

Councillor Bridgen advised of the appointment of a Conservative Group Chair to the Linton Area Forum.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Ackroyd be appointed as Chair to the Linton Area Forum.

CL/59 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.

CL/59 TO CONFIRM THE EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

The Exempt Minutes of the Council Meetings held on the 24th June 210 (CL/41 – CL/42) were approved as a true record.

CL/60 EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NUMBER 11

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/61 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Minutes No's</u>
Planning	22.09.20	PL/76 – PL/77
Finance & Management	08.10.20	FM/76 – FM/80
Finance & Management	26.11.20	FM/97 – FM/99
Finance & Management	07.01.21	FM/113 – FM/114
Environmental & Development	21.01.21	EDS/90 – EDS/93
Housing & Community Services	28.01.21	HCS/79 – HCS/80
Planning	09.02.21	PL/134 – PL/135
Finance & Management	11.02.21	FM/129 – FM/131
Housing & Community Services	11.03.21	HCS/92 – HCS/94
Finance & Management	18.03.21	FM/146 – FM/150
Housing & Community Services	20.04.21	HCS/103 – HCS/104
Environmental & Development	21.04.21	EDS/110 – EDS/111
Finance & Management	29.04.21	FM/161 – FM/164

RESOLVED:

That the above Committee Meetings exempt minutes were received and approved as a true record.

The meeting terminated at 18:45 hours.

COUNCILLOR M GEE
CHAIR OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL