# MINUTES of the MEETING of the SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL held via Microsoft Teams on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 6.00pm

### PRESENT:

### **Conservative Group**

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

# Labour Group

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

# CL/40 **APOLOGIES**

Council was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor Dawson (Conservative Group)

# CL/41 TO RECEIVE THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETING

The Open Minutes of the following Meeting were reviewed, considered as a true record and approved by the Chairman.

| Committee | Date                       | Minute References |
|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Council   | 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2020 | CL/01 – CL/19     |

#### CL/42 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Ford declared a personal interest in Item CL/48, Vision Derbyshire (Non-Structural Reform), by virtue of being a County Councillor

Councillor Atkin declared a personal interest in Item CL/48, Vision Derbyshire (Non-Structural Reform), by virtue of being a County Councillor

Councillor Mrs. Patten declared a personal interest in Item CL/48, Vision Derbyshire (Non-Structural Reform), by virtue of being a County Councillor

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# CL/43 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman of the Council outlined a summary of events since the last Council Meeting including, the Award to Tom Hartley and the presentation of the South Derbyshire Coat of Arms to Ethel from Barrow in Trent in celebration of her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The Chairman informed Members that the Remembrance Day Services, this year, would be replaced by a short commemorative Remembrance Service filmed at the Gates of Eureka Park and available on the Council's website from 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

# CL/44 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

The Leader thanked all members of staff who helped to supply food and meals during the half term break and for the ongoing support during the difficult times.

# CL/45 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

The Head of Paid Service informed Council that with the consent from the Chairman and the Leaders of both Parties there would be a presentation to recognise the contribution of businesses and individuals such as Tom Hartley and Ethel from Barrow on Trent who have raised the profile of the South Derbyshire during these difficult times. The Head of Paid Service updated Members on the progress of the construction of care facilities on the former depot site and the Woodville Regeneration Route and thanked all those involved in the creation of the virtual Remembrance Day Service

# CL/46 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

# CL/47 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

#### CL/48 VISION DERBYSHIRE (NON-STRUCTURAL REFORM)

The Chief Executive apologised to Members for the length of the report and highlighted the need for input from Overview and Scrutiny Committee along with the involvement of Members who wished to contribute towards the proposals. The Chief Executive requested that Members of the Council agreed for the Report to be presented to Overview and Scrutiny on 25<sup>th</sup> November with an invitation extended to all Members who would be interested to attend and with the approval of the Chairman contribute toward the debate with report back to a Council Meeting of the outcome.

# **RESOLVED**:

The Council approved that the report be deferred to Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2020 with a report back to a future Council Meeting.

# CL/49 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL CARE OMBUDSMAN - ANNUAL REVIEW LETTER 2020 AND LGSCO UPDATE

The Chief Executive presented the report to Council for information and requested approval from the Council to publish the performance of the Council regarding issues raised by the public and the resulting outcomes on both the Ombudsman and the Council's websites

### **RESOLVED**:

The Council accepted the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman's Annual Review Letter 2020.

# CL/50 LICENSING ACT 2003 – STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

The Senior Licensing Officer presented the report to Council, outlining the main points of the report and highlighted the need to update the Policy to reflect changes in legislation.

### **RESOLVED**:

That Members of the Council approved and adopted the Council's Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licensing Policy ("Policy").

# CL/51 COVID-19 VULNERABILITY AND RECOVERY

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) introduced the report to Council requesting that it be deferred to a future Committee and asked that it be noted that it was not the right time for the recommendations within the report to be considered by Members of the Council.

The Chief Executive added additional background information regarding South Derbyshire Partnership and Social Care.

#### **RESOLVED**:

The Council approved that the report be deferred for consideration at a future Council Meeting.

# CL/52 POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY

The Monitoring Officer delivered the report to Council asking Members to note the three vacancies on the Council and the political proportionality as calculated in accordance with the vacancies and requested approval of the seats allocated as at Annexe A of the report.

#### **RESOLVED:**

- 1.1 In consideration of the three current vacancies, that Council approved and adopted the recommended allocation of seats to the Political Groups for the remainder of the municipal year 2020/21.
- 1.2 That the Council allocated seats between the Political Groups as set out at Annexe 'A' of the report.

### CL/53 CONSTITUTION – UPDATED DOCUMENTS

The Monitoring Officer presented the report to Council requesting that minor amendments within the Financial Regulations and the Financial Procedure Rules be approved to allow them to form part of the Council's Constitution.

# **RESOLVED**:

That Council approved and adopted the Financial Regulations and Financial Procedure Rules at Appendices 1 and 2 of the report, to form part of the Council's Constitution.

# CL/54 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

Council received and considered the open minutes of its Committees.

#### RESOLVED:

The Open Minutes of the following Committees were approved as a true record:

| Committee                              | <u>Date</u> | Minutes No's    |
|--|-------------|-----------------|
| Planning Committee                     | 30.06.20    | PL/01 – PL/13   |
| Planning Committee                     | 01.07.20    | PL/16 - PL/28   |
| Finance & Management Committee         | 02.07.20    | FM/01 – FM12    |
| Environmental & Development Services   | 06.07.20    | EDS/01 – EDS/12 |
| Committee                              |             |                 |
| Housing & Community Services Committee | 07.07.20    | HCS/01 – HCS/11 |
| Finance & Management Committee         | 09.07.20    | FM/17 – FM/29   |

# CL/55 REVIEW THE COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING PANELS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

Members reviewed the composition of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Panels for 2020-21.

#### **RESOLVED:**

Council approved the following amendments:

# **Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

To remove former Councillor Brady from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

### **Heritage Grants Sub-Committee**

To remove former Councillor Brady from the panel list.

# CL/56 REVIEW OF COMPOSITION OF SUBSTITUTE PANELS

Members reviewed the composition of Substitute Panels for 2020-21.

# **RESOLVED**:

Council approved the following amendment:

#### Housing and Communities Committee

To remove Councillor Ford and former Councillor Brady from the Housing and Communities Committee Substitute List.

#### CL/57 REVIEW OF REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Members reviewed the Outside Bodies representation list.

# **RESOLVED**:

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

#### CL/58 REVIEW OF REPRESENTATION OF MEMBER CHAMPIONS

Members reviewed the Representation of Member Champions.

# **RESOLVED**:

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

# CL/59 <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)</u>

#### 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.

# TO RECEIVE THE EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETING

The Exempt Minutes of the following Meeting were reviewed, considered as a true record and approved by the Chairman.

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

Council was informed that 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 Committee were approved as a true record:

| Committee                              | <u>Date</u> | Minutes No's    |
|--|-------------|-----------------|
| Planning Committee                     | 30/06/20    | PL14/ – PL/15   |
| Finance & Management Committee         | 02.07.20    | FM/13 – FM/16   |
| Housing & Community Services Committee | 07.07.20    | HCS/12 - HCS/13 |
| Finance & Management Committee         | 09.07.20    | FM/30 - FM/31   |

The meeting terminated at 18:50 hrs.

COUNCILLOR D MULLER
CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL