# MINUTES of the MEETING of the SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL held at the Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> JANUARY 2015 at 6.00 p.m.

#### PRESENT:-

#### **Conservative Group**

Councillor Murray (Chairman), Councillor Atkin (Vice Chairman) together with Councillors Mrs Brown, Ford, Mrs Hall, Harrison, Hewlett, Jones, Lemmon Mrs Patten, Mrs Plenderleith, Roberts, Smith, Stanton, Mrs Watson, Watson, Wheeler.

#### **Labour Group**

Councillors Bambrick, Bell, Chahal, Dunn, Frost, Mrs Heath, Mulgrew, Rhind, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd, Stuart, Taylor, Tilley, Wilkins.

## CL/85 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Bale, Mrs Hood, Mrs Mead and Councillor Pearson.

## CL/86 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

The Open Minutes of the Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014 (Minute Nos. CL/62- CL/78) were approved as a true record. An update was requested on Item CL/65; the Chief Executive responded.

## CL/87 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Council was informed that no declarations of interest from Elected Members had been received.

# CL/88 <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN, LEADER AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE</u>

The Chairman of the Council listed the events that he had attended during the busy festive season. He highlighted in particular 'The Switching on of the Christmas Lights', which was very successful, and expressed his thanks to everyone involved. The Chairman announced that it was a privilege to have the new Chaplaincy up and running in the District and informed Council that he had attended a very worthwhile event. The Leader of the Council asked members to extend a warm welcome back to Councillor Lemmon. Members also extended their good wishes to Councillor Bale and Mrs June Bale.

The Chief Executive reported that the recruitment process for the Director of Housing and Environmental Services was progressing well and final interviews would take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015.

# CL/89 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

# CL/90 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

## CL/91 COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME REGULATIONS 2015

Council received a report and explanation from the Director of Finance and Corporate Services on the Council Tax Reduction Scheme Regulations 2015.

#### **RESOLVED:-**

That the detailed regulations for the proposed Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme for South Derbyshire for 2015/2016 be adopted.

## CL/92 **OPEN REPORTS**

Council received and considered the open minutes of its committees.

### **RESOLVED**:-

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

Overview & Scrutiny Committee 22.10.2014 (OS/14-OS/22)

Planning Committee 28.10.14 (PL/87-PL/101) (Councillor Smith requested his attendance at the meeting be recorded).

Licensing & Appeals Sub-Committee 13.11.14 (LAS/71-LAS/74)

Environment & Development Services Committee 20.11.14 (EDS/48-EDS/62) (Councillor Stuart requested it be recorded that he and Councillor Tilley attended the meeting and that Councillors Rhind and Southerd did not).

Housing & Community Services Committee 27.11.14 (HCS/39-HCS/50)

Finance & Management Committee 04.12.14 (FM/65-FM/83)

Overview & Scrutiny Committee 10.12.14 (OS/23-OS/29) (It was requested that Councillor Mrs Hood's attendance be recorded under the Conservative group).

# CL/93 THE COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING PANELS FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

Council was informed that Councillor Watson is to substitute Councillor Bale on the Community Partnership Scheme Assessment Panel.

## CL/94 COMPOSITION OF SUBSTITUTE PANELS

Council was informed that no changes had been made to the composition of the substitute panels since its last meeting.

#### CL/95 REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Council was informed that no changes had been made to the Council's representation on outside bodies since its last meeting.

# CL/96 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/97 **EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL**

The Exempt Minutes of the Council, held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014, (Minute Nos. CL/79-CL/84) were approved as a true record.

# CL/98 EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NUMBER 11

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

## CL/99 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE EXEMPT REPORTS OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES

Council received and considered the Exempt Minutes of its committees.

#### **RESOLVED:-**

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

Planning Committee 28.10.14 (PL102-PL/103)

Environmental & Development Services Committee 20.11.14 (EDS/63-EDS/65)

Licensing & Appeals Sub Committee 25.11.14 (LAS/75)

Housing & Community Services Committee 27.11.14 (HCS/48-HCS/50)

Finance & Management Committee 04.12.14 (FM/84-FM/88)

The meeting terminated at 6:25pm

P. MURRAY

CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL