<u>OPEN</u>

<u>MINUTES of the MEETING</u> of the SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL held at Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote on 2nd April 2015 at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

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

Labour Group

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

CL/141 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillors Hewlett and Mrs Hood (Conservative Group) and Councillor Wilkins (Labour Group).

CL/142 MINUTES

The Open Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 2nd March 2015 (Minutes Nos. CL/124 - CL/137) were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

CL/143 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

CL/144 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN, LEADER AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Chairman thanked Members and Officers for their support during his term in office.

The Leader, in agreement with the Chairman, respectfully requested that a minute's silence was observed in the memory of Councillor Michael Bale who passed away recently. The Leader presented the Chairman with an award from the High Sheriff of Derbyshire.

The Chief Executive informed Council that any Members who had served in office for 25 years or more would be honoured with a Long Service Award at the Civic Council on 28th May 2015.

CL/145 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10

Council were informed no questions had been received.

CL/146 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

Council were informed that no questions had been received.

CL/147 SEALED DOCUMENTS

23.07.14 10877 Transfer – 58 Lullington Road, Overseal
26.08.14 10890 Transfer – 12 Limetree Avenue, Midway
02.09.14 10895 Transfer – 20 Meadow View Road, Newhall
10.09.14 10899 Transfer – 103 Lullington Road, Overseal
16.09.14 10905 Transfer – 42 Windsor Road, Linton
16.09.14 10906 Transfer – 3 Field Avenue, Hatton
17.10.14 10941 Transfer – 36 New Road, Hilton
25.11.14 10969 Transfer – 11 Station Road, Melbourne

RESOLVED:-

That the Sealed Documents listed, for which there is no specific authority, be duly authorised.

CL/148 PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2015/16

The Director of Finance and Corporate Services presented the 2015/16 Pay Policy Statement, which the Localism Act requires all local authorities to publish on an annual basis. He highlighted that research across all English councils showed that the multiple between the pay of the Council's highest paid employee and the lowest paid employees was below the current national average of 1:10.

RESOLVED:-

That the Pay Policy Statement for the financial year 2015/16 be approved for publication.

CL/149 OPEN MINUTES

Council received and considered the open minutes of its Committees.

RESOLVED:-

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

Planning Committee, 20th January 2015 (Minute Nos. PL/138 – PL/149)

Housing and Community Services Committee, 5th February 2015 (Minutes Nos. HCS/59 – HCS/71

Planning Committee, 10th February 2015 (Minute Nos. PL/150 – PL/165)

Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 11th February 2015 (Minute Nos. OS/41-OS/50)

Finance and Management Committee, 19th February 2015 (Minutes Nos. FM/98-FM/109)

Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee, 25th February 2015 (Minutes Nos. LAS/86-LAS/88)

Planning Committee, 3rd March 2015 (Minute Nos. PL/166-PL/176)

Environmental and Development Services Committee, 5th March 2015 (Minute Nos. EDS/85-EDS/94)

Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee, 9th March 2015 (Minute Nos. LAS/89-LAS/91)

Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee, 11th March 2015 (Minute Nos. LAS/92-LAS/94)

Housing and Community Services Committee, 12th March 2015 (Minutes Nos. HCS/75-HCS/85)

Finance and Management Committee, 19th March 2015 (Minute Nos. FM/115-FM/122)

Area Forums

Swadlincote, 27th January 2015 (Minute Nos. SA/24-SA/32)

Etwall, 28th January 2015 (Minute Nos. EA/23-EA/33)

Repton, 3rd February 2015 (Minute Nos. RA/22-RA/30)

Melbourne, 4th February 2015 (Minute Nos. MA/22-MA/30)

Linton, 12th February 2015 (Minute Nos. LA/22-LA/30)

Newhall, 17th February 2015 (NA/22-NA/30) (Cllr. Dunn requested an amendment be made to minute number NA/26)

CL/150 COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING PANELS

Council were informed that Councillor Wheeler would succeed Councillor Bale on the Planning Committee for the remainder of the term.

CL/151 COMPOSITION OF SUBSTITUTE PANELS

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

CL/152 REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

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

CL/153 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 Council, held on 2nd March 2015, (Minute Nos. CL/138-CL/140) were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

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

Council were informed that no questions had been received.

EXEMPT REPORTS

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:-

Housing and Community Services Committee, 5th February 2015 (Minute Nos. HCS/72-HCS/74)

Finance and Management Committee, 19th February 2015 (Minute Nos. FM/110-FM/114)

Planning Committee, 3rd March 2015 2015 (Minute Nos. PL/177-PL/178)

PREMISES AT SWADLINCOTE

The Committee approved proposals regarding a lease agreement for premises in Swadlincote.

The Meeting terminated at 6:45pm

COUNCILLOR P MURRAY

CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL