

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

23 APRIL 2019

## PRESENT:

At a Meeting of Rugby Borough Council held on 23 April 2019.

The Mayor (Councillor Mahoney), Councillors Mrs A'Barrow, Mrs Avis, Bearne, Brader, Brown, Butlin, Cade, Mrs Crane, Cranham, Douglas, Miss Dumbleton, Ms Edwards, Mrs Garcia, Gillias, Miss Lawrence, Lewis, Lowe, McQueen, Mrs Nash, Mrs New, Mrs O'Rourke, Mrs Parker, Picker, Poole, Ms Robbins, Mrs Roberts, Roberts, Roodhouse, Mrs Roodhouse, Sandison, Mrs Simpson-Vince, Srivastava, Stokes, Mrs Timms and Ms Watson-Merret.

## 62. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received from Councillors Mrs Bragg, Leigh Hunt, Keeling, Mistry, Pacey-Day and Shera.

## 63. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 February 2019 were approved and signed by the Mayor.

## 64. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item 7(a) of Part 1 – Localism Act – Pay Policy Statement – Mr Norburn declared an officer interest on behalf of all Chief Officers by virtue of their posts being named in the report.

## 65. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor had no announcements to make.

## 66. VOTE OF THANKS TO COUNCILLOR CLAIRE EDWARDS

The Council wished to place on record its thanks and appreciation to Councillor Claire Edwards for her hard work and dedication as councillor for Newbold and Brownsover ward, the former Brownsover South ward, Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committees and Leader of the Labour Group. Councillor Ms Edwards was standing down as a Borough Councillor in May after 17 years of service.

Councillor Ms Edwards had shown professionalism and commitment throughout her terms of office and had worked tirelessly for the people she had represented.

Members wished her well for the future.

## 67. QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 10

There were no questions.

**68. REPORT OF CABINET – 1 APRIL 2019**

**RESOLVED THAT** - the report be confirmed and adopted.

**69. REPORT OF BROOKE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 11 APRIL 2019**

Council considered the report of the Brooke Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Part 1- agenda item 6(b)(1)) concerning a proposed policy on reducing single-use plastics.

Councillor Stokes moved and Councillor Crane seconded the following friendly amendment:

*“The Single Use Plastics Policy for Rugby Borough Council, as appended to the report, be adopted subject to recognition of the budget proposal and decision made in February 2019 to do away with single use plastics by 1 April 2019.”*

Following discussion, Councillor Douglas moved and Councillor Mrs New seconded a further friendly amendment as detailed below:

*“The policy be reviewed in 12 months’ time to ensure all actions are being met.”*

The Mayor then took a vote on the motion including the two friendly amendments and declared it carried.

**RESOLVED THAT -**

(1) the Single Use Plastics Policy for Rugby Borough Council, as appended to the report, be adopted subject to recognition of the budget proposal and decision made in February 2019 to do away with single use plastics by 1 April 2019; and

(2) the policy be reviewed in 12 months’ time to ensure all actions are being met.

**70. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**(a) Localism Act – Pay Policy Statement**

Council considered the report of the Executive Director as Head of Paid Service (Part 1 – agenda item 7(a)) concerning the adoption of a new pay policy statement in accordance with the Localism Act.

**RESOLVED THAT** – the new pay policy statement shown at Appendix 1 to the report be adopted with immediate effect.

**(b) Review of Housing Allocations Policy**

Council considered the report of the Head of Communities and Homes (Part 1- agenda item 7(b)) concerning a review of the Council’s housing allocations policy.

**RESOLVED THAT** – the revised Housing Allocations Policy, as at Appendix 1 to the report, be approved and supersedes all previous versions of the Housing Allocations Policy, subject to the final sentence under the bullet point ‘debts relating to Housing’ being deleted as it had been included in error.

**71. CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

**72. COMMON SEAL**

It was moved by the Mayor, seconded by the Deputy Mayor and

**RESOLVED THAT** - the Common Seal be affixed to the various orders, deeds and documents to be made or entered into for carrying into effect the several decisions, matters and things approved by the Council and more particularly set out in the Panels and Committees reports adopted at this meeting.

**73. MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC UNDER SECTION 100(A)(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

**RESOLVED THAT** - under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**74. PRIVATE REPORT OF CABINET – 4 MARCH 2019**

**RESOLVED THAT** - the report be confirmed and adopted.

**75. PRIVATE REPORT OF CABINET – 1 APRIL 2019**

**RESOLVED THAT** - the report be confirmed and adopted.

**MAYOR**