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# **COUNCIL MEETING**

19 July 2018

7.00 pm - 7.44 pm

## Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Stroud

#### **Minutes**

Membership: Martin Baxendale Р Nick Hurst Р Skeena Rathor Α Ρ Sue Reed Ρ **Dorcas Binns** Ρ Julie Job Р Ρ Р Mark Reeves Catherine Braun Haydn Jones Chris Brine Ρ John Jones Р Steve Robinson Ρ George Butcher Р Norman Kay Р Mattie Ross Ρ Р Р Ρ Miranda Clifton Darren Loftus Tom Skinner Nigel Studdert-Kennedy Nigel Cooper Ρ Stephen Lydon Α Α **Doina Cornell** Ρ John Marjoram Haydn Sutton Ρ Α Gordon Craig Ρ Phil McAsey Ρ **Brian Tipper** Ρ Rachel Curley Р Karen McKeown Α Chas Townley Ρ Ρ Ρ Ρ Jessica Tomblin Stephen Davies Jenny Miles\* Dave Mossman Ρ Ρ Paul Denney Ρ Ken Tucker Ρ Jim Dewey Ρ Gill Oxley Martin Whiteside Ρ Р Ρ Ρ Jonathan Edmunds Keith Pearson Tim Williams Ρ Simon Pickering Ρ Ρ Chas Fellows **Tom Williams** Ρ Gary Powell\*\* Ρ Ρ Colin Fryer Penny Wride Nigel Prenter Ρ Debbie Young Ρ Alison Hayward Α

### **Officers Present:**

\*\*Chair \*Vice-Chair

Chief Executive
Democratic Services Officer

Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer

# CL.012 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hayward, Lydon, Marjoram, McKeown, Rathor and Studdert-Kennedy.

P = Present A = Absent

# CL.013 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

#### CL.014 MINUTES

RESOLVED That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 17 May 2018 are confirmed and signed as a correct record.

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## CL.015 ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### The Leader

- Paid tribute to the Chief Executive because this was his last full Council meeting.
- In view of the level of public interest, the Administration Group Leaders agreed that any recommendations on introducing car parking charges from the Strategy and Resources Committee would be referred to Council for determination.

## **Chief Executive**

- The new Head of Finance and Section 151 Officer, Andrew Cummings, starts next week.
- A Council meeting would be held on 9 August at which the Chief Executive Apppointment Panel would make its recommendation about the appointment of a new Chief Executive.
- Councillor Reed had informed him that she had resigned from the Labour Group and wished to be known as an Independent councillor. A report would be made to the August meeting in the light of the impact on political balance and the distribution of committee seats between political groups.
- GL11 Community Hub had been awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service.

# CL.0016 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were none.

# CL.017 RECOMMENDATION FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

<u>Environment Committee – 7 June 2018 - Delegation of Power to Serve Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs)</u>

Councillor Pickering, the Chair of Environment Committee outlined the above report. Upon the vote, it was unanimously

- RESOLVED The Head of Health and Wellbeing be authorised to appoint any employee of a Town or Parish Council in the district of Stroud as an "authorised person" to serve fixed penalty notices on behalf of Stroud District Council, for dog fouling offences (as provided for in Public Space Protection Orders made pursuant to Section 68 Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014) subject to:
  - 1. The authority to appoint being limited to specific periods;
  - 2. The authorisation being withdrawn with effect from such time as the Head of Health and Wellbeing determines; and,
  - 3. The authorisation being subject to such other terms and conditions as he considers appropriate (including but not limited to the conditions outlined in the report at paragraph 3.5).

<u>Housing Committee – 12 June 2018 – Tenure of Tenant Representative on Housing Committee</u>

The Chair of Housing Committee, Councillor Townley outlined the report. Upon the vote, it was unanimously

### **RESOLVED** To extend the tenure of lan Allan's to February 2019.

# <u>Strategy and Resources Committee – 12 July 2018 – Capital Project Monitoring</u>

The Leader outlined ICT Investment within the above report and the delegations required for the Head of IT. Upon the vote, it was unanimously

## **RESOLVED** That the following delegations be provided to the Head of IT:

- 1. To invite tenders and accept tenders where provision has been made in the budget subject to both the Contract and Procurement and Financial Procedure Rules.
- 2. To ensure procedures are in place (and communicated) to protect Council ICT assets from any inappropriate activity, use, loss or removal. This will include adhering to all appropriate legislation and Council rules regarding the acquiring, use, retention and removal/destruction of all Council ICT assets (including information).
- 3. To procure contracts, additional goods, works and services as appropriate which fall within this area of responsibility subject to such being within approved budget and not contrary to policy.

## CL.018 COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW FOR STROUD DISTRICT

The Leader presented the report. Questions were asked as to the cost and need for the review. Upon the vote, it was unanimously

- RESOLVED 1. That in accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, a Community Governance Review be undertaken for the whole Stroud District area before the next scheduled local elections in May 2020.
  - 2. To conduct the Community Governance Review in accordance with the Terms of Reference contained in Appendix 1 of this report.
  - 3. To establish a cross party working group to oversee the process of the Community Governance Review and propose recommendations for the electoral arrangements in view of the consultation responses.

### CL.019 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Questions were submitted from Councillor Young which were answered by the Leader. (Refer to the Council's webcast and Item 8).

### CL.020 NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Councillors Skinner and Davis agreed to withdraw their motion in view of the announcement made by the Leader.

The meeting closed at 7.44 pm.