



# STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

7 September 2020

7.00 pm – 7.30 pm

Remote Meeting

### Minutes

#### Membership

<b>Gary Powell (Chair)</b>	P	Lindsey Green	P	Nigel Prenter	P
<b>Steve Robinson (Vice-Chair)</b>	P	Trevor Hall	A	Skeena Rathor	P
Martin Baxendale	P	Nick Hurst	P	Sue Reed	P
Dorcas Binns	A	George James	P	Mark Reeves	P
Catherine Braun	P	Julie Job	P	Mattie Ross	P
Chris Brine	P	Haydn Jones	P	Tom Skinner	A
Miranda Clifton	P	John Jones	P	Nigel Studdert-Kennedy	P
Nigel Cooper	P	Norman Kay	P	Haydn Sutton	A
Doina Cornell	P	Darren Loftus	A	Brian Tipper	P
Gordon Craig	P	Stephen Lydon	P	Chas Townley	P
Rachel Curley	P	John Marjoram	A	Jessica Tomblin	A
Stephen Davies	P	Karen McKeown	P	Ken Tucker	P
Paul Denney	A	Jenny Miles	P	Martin Whiteside	P
Jim Dewey	P	Dave Mossman	P	Tim Williams	A
Jonathan Edmunds	P	Gill Oxley	P	Tom Williams	P
Chas Fellows	P	Keith Pearson	A	Debbie Young	P
Colin Fryer	P	Simon Pickering	P		

P = Present A = Absent

#### Officers in Attendance

Chief Executive

Strategic Director of Resources

Strategic Director of Change & Transformation

Strategic Director of Communities

Strategic Director of Place

Democratic Services & Elections Officer

#### CL.019

#### APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Binns, Denney, Hall, Marjoram, Pearson, Sutton and Tomblin.

#### CL.020

#### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

The Chair, Councillor Powell, made an announcement regarding Judy Balfe's retirement after 42 years working at the Council, Councillor Robinson thanked Judy for going the extra mile for Councillors and hoped she would be able to enjoy her retirement. The Group Leaders also echoed their thanks to Judy for the support she had provided Members and wished her a happy retirement.

**CL.021**                      **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

The Chair announced the following changes to Committee memberships:-

- Community Services and Licensing Committee Chair – Councillor Mattie Ross is to be replaced by Councillor Brine.
- Housing Committee Chair – Councillor Townley is to be replaced by Councillor Ross.
- Environment Committee – Councillor Brine is to be replaced by Councillor Townley.
- Strategy and Resources Committee – Councillor Townley is to be replaced by Councillor Brine as a result of the change to Community Services and Licensing Committee Chair.

Councillor Townley confirmed that he would be stepping down as chair of Housing Committee to take on a PHD and wanted to thank the Housing team for all of their hard work. Councillor Miles, Davies, Cornell and Whiteside also expressed their gratitude to Councillor Townley.

Councillor Ross thanked the Officers she had worked with for all of their support and wished Councillor Brine well in his new role as Chair of Community Services & Licensing Committee.

On being put to the vote, the Motion was carried, thirty-nine for with one abstention.

**RESOLVED**                      **To approve the changes to Committee memberships**

**CL.022**                      **LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION**

The Chair, Councillor Powell, announced that a decision had been made to defer the above report for consideration until the White Paper on Devolution and Local Recovery had been published.

The Leader, Councillor Cornell, confirmed that due to the uncertainty over the publication of the White Paper the agenda item would be postponed and that an all Members Briefing would be arranged when there was more clarity on the proposals. She also thanked the District Council Networks for keeping District Councillors informed.

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm.

Chair