

Council

10th January 2011

MINUTES

Present:

Councillor Kath Banks (Mayor), Councillor Anita Clayton (Deputy Mayor) and Councillors Peter Anderson, Michael Braley, Andrew Brazier, Juliet Brunner, Michael Chalk, Greg Chance, Brandon Clayton, Jack Cookson, Andrew Fry, Carole Gandy, Adam Griffin, Bill Hartnett, Gay Hopkins, Robin King, Wanda King, William Norton, Jinny Pearce, Brenda Quinney, Mark Shurmer, Debbie Taylor, Derek Taylor and Graham Vickery

Also Present:

M Collins (Observer for Standards Committee)

Officers:

E Baker, R Bamford, M Craggs, K Dicks, C Felton, S Hanley, A Marklew, J Pickering, S Skinner and J Staniland

Committee Services Officer:

D Sunman

75. WELCOME

The Mayor opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

76. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Simon Chalk, Malcolm Hall, Nigel Hicks, Roger Hill and Diane Thomas.

77. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

78. COMMUNICATIONS AND MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

As this was not an ordinary meeting of the Council there were not the customary Mayor's Announcements.

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MAYOR, in the Chair

However, it was reported that the sad news had been received of the death of the former Mayor of the Borough and long standing Councillor, Kieth Boyd-Carpenter. Members stood and observed a minute's silence as a mark of respect.

It was noted that formal tributes would be paid to Mr Boyd-Carpenter at the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

79. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Leader had no announcements to make.

80. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLVED that

the meeting of the Council be adjourned to permit a meeting of the Executive Committee to be held to consider the following items:

- **Draft Core Strategy**
- **Local Development Scheme – Update**
- **Worcestershire Waste Core Strategy and Worcestershire Local Transport Plan No 3 – Responses**
- **Job Evaluation and Terms and Conditions**
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(At this point – 7.06pm – the meeting adjourned and reconvened at 8.51pm.)

81. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - RECOMMENDATIONS

The Council considered the recommendations of the meeting of the Executive Committee held during the adjournment referred to above.

RESOLVED that

the recommendations of the Executive Committee be approved, as detailed below:

Draft Core Strategy

- 1) the Revised Preferred Draft Core Strategy (Appendix A to the report) be approved for the purposes of public consultation;**
- 2) the Sustainability Appraisal (Appendix B) for the Preferred Draft Core Strategy be approved for the purposes of public consultation;**

- 3) a consultation period be held from 21st January 2011 for six weeks; and
- 4) authority be delegated to the Acting Development Plans Manager, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning, the Leader of the Council and the Leader of the Opposition, to make any minor amendments to the Revised Preferred Draft Core Strategy and Sustainability Appraisal prior to the consultation period commencing on 21st January 2011.

Local Development Scheme – Update

- 5) work on the Site Allocations and Policies Development Plan Document be abandoned temporarily.

Worcestershire Waste Core Strategy and Worcestershire Local Plan No 3 – Responses

- 6) the response prepared to the Worcestershire Waste Core Strategy, as detailed in the Appendix to the report, be endorsed; and
- 7) the response to the Worcestershire Local Transport Plan No. 3, as detailed in the Appendix to the report, be endorsed, subject to an amendment in respect of Paragraph 4.2 (iii) of the report regarding the potential opening of bus lanes to other traffic.

Job Evaluation and Terms and Conditions

- 8) authority for negotiation and agreement of changes to Terms and Conditions be delegated to the Executive Director Leisure, Environmental & Community Services and Executive Director of Finance and Resources.

(This report had been accepted as a matter of Urgent Business – not having met the publication deadline – and was considered at the meeting as such, with the approval of the Chair, in accordance with the Council's constitutional rules and powers vested in the Chair by virtue of Section 100 (B) (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972 to agree to matters of urgency being discussed by reason of special circumstances.

In this case the special circumstances were that the report needed to be considered at the current meeting to allow implementation of the Job Evaluation Scheme to progress and to delegate powers to Officers to undertake negotiations aimed at amending a number of Terms and Condition.)

82. URGENT BUSINESS - GENERAL (IF ANY)

There was no separate items of Urgent Business for consideration at this meeting.

The Meeting commenced at 7.00pm
and closed at 8.58pm

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MAYOR, in the Chair