

COUNCIL

Tuesday, 17 May 2011

Present: Councillor K Ball (Mayor) , Councillor Pat Case (Deputy Mayor), Councillors Eric Bell, Julia Berry, Alistair Bradley, Terry Brown, Henry Caunce, Matthew Crow, Alan Cullens, Magda Cullens, David Dickinson, Doreen Dickinson, Dennis Edgerley, Christopher France, Anthony Gee, Peter Goldsworthy, Marie Gray, Alison Hansford, Harold Heaton, Steve Holgate, Catherine Hoyle, Keith Iddon, Kevin Joyce, Hasina Khan, Paul Leadbetter, Roy Lees, Adrian Lowe, Marion Lowe, June Molyneaux, Greg Morgan, Simon Moulton, Mick Muncaster, Steve Murfitt, Beverley Murray, Mark Perks, Alan Platt, Debra Platt, Pauline Phipps, Dave Rogerson, Geoffrey Russell, Rosie Russell, John Walker, Stella Walsh, Paul Walmsley and Peter Wilson

11.C.182 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Joyce and Ralph Snape. On behalf of the Council, the Mayor wished Councillor Ralph Snape a speedy recovery following his very recent illness.

The Mayor welcomed all the new Councillors to their first Council meeting and expressed the hope that they would find the work both interesting and rewarding. He also thanked those Councillors who weren't re-elected for their dedicated service to the Council over many years.

11.C.183 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS

Councillor Peter Wilson declared a personal interest in item 11 (minute no 192) regarding the terms of office for independent and parish council representatives on the Standards Committee.

11.C.184 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, 5TH APRIL 2011.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 5 April 2011 be confirmed as a correct record for signature by the Mayor.

11.C.185 RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT

The Returning Officer's report confirmed the results of the Council elections held on 5 May 2011 with the following Councillors elected:

| Ward | Councillor Elected |
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| Adlington and Anderton | June Molyneaux (Labour) |
| Astley and Buckshaw | Mark Perks (Conservative) |
| Chisnall | Paul Leadbetter (Conservative) |
| Chorley East | Terry Brown (Labour) |
| Chorley North East | Marion Lowe (Labour) |

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| Chorley North West | Pauline Phipps (Labour) |
| Chorley South East | Paul Walmsley (Labour) |
| Chorley South West | Steve Holgate (Labour) |
| Clayton-Le-Woods and Whittle-Le-Woods | Greg Morgan (Conservative) |
| Clayton-Le-Woods North | Steve Murfitt (Labour) |
| Clayton-Le-Woods West and Cuerden | Dave Rogerson (Labour) |
| Coppull | Matthew Crow (Labour) |
| Eccleston and Mawdesley | Kevin Joyce (Conservative) |
| Euxton South | Peter Goldsworthy (Conservative) |
| Lostock | Doreen Dickinson (Conservative) |

11.C.186 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2011/2012

It was moved by Councillor Peter Goldsworthy and seconded by Councillor John Walker that Councillor Pat Case CBE be elected as Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the forthcoming Council Year.

RESOLVED – That Councillor Pat Case CBE be elected Mayor for the Borough of Chorley for the 2011/12 Council Year.

Councillor Case in the Chair

11.C.187 ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2011/2012

It was moved by Councillor Anthony Gee and seconded by Councillor Peter Wilson that Councillor June Molyneaux be elected as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the forthcoming Council Year.

RESOLVED – That Councillor June Molyneaux be elected Deputy Mayor for the Borough of Chorley for the 2011/12 Council Year.

The Deputy Mayor introduced Mrs Florence Molyneaux as her Deputy Mayoress for 2011/12.

11.C.188 PRESENTATION AND VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR

The Chief Executive presented Councillor Ken Ball with a portrait of himself in the Mayoral Insignia and gave both Ken and his wife Nora, past Mayor's badges and a plaque bearing the Council's Coat of Arms as tokens of their past year of office as Mayor and Mayoress of Chorley.

Political Group Leaders paid tribute to the work of Councillor Ken and Nora Ball who had shown real commitment and dedication to the role of Mayor and Mayoress with over 300 engagements in addition to a raft of fundraising activities.

Councillor Ken Ball responded by thanking Members for their kind remarks and for their support throughout a very enjoyable and rewarding Mayoral Year. Councillor and Mrs Ball presented the Council with a gift as a memento of their term of office.

11.C.189 ELECTION OF AN EXECUTIVE LEADER FOR 2011/2015

Nominations were sought for the election of the position of Executive Leader for the Council for the period 2011 to 2015 under the strong leader Constitutional arrangements agreed at the last meeting of the Council on 5 April 2011.

Councillor Alan Cullens proposed and Councillor John Walker seconded, the appointment of Councillor Peter Goldsworthy as Executive Leader for 2011/2015.

Councillor Alistair Bradley, Leader of the Labour Group registered his Group's concern that in their view the appointment did not reflect the local election results.

RESOLVED – That Councillor Peter Goldsworthy be elected to the position of Executive Leader of the Council for the four year period 2011 to 2015.

11.C.190 APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE LEADER AND EXECUTIVE MEMBER POSITIONS FOR 2011/2012

In line with the Constitutional provisions of the strong leader model the Executive Leader, Councillor Peter Goldsworthy circulated information regarding the appointment of his Deputy Executive Leader and the remaining positions within the Executive Cabinet for 2011/2012, namely

| POSITION | MEMBER |
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| Deputy Executive Leader | Councillor Ken Ball (Lib Dem) |
| Executive Member (Policy and Performance) | Councillor Greg Morgan (Conservative) |
| Executive Member (Transformation) | Councillor Kevin Joyce (Conservative) |
| Executive Member (People) | Councillor John Walker (Conservative) |
| Executive Member (Places) | Councillor Eric Bell (Conservative) |
| Executive Member (Partnerships and Planning) | Councillor Alan Cullens (Conservative) |

RESOLVED – That the appointments to the Executive Cabinet for 2011/2012 be noted.

11.C.191 APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND OTHER COUNCIL POSITIONS FOR 2011/2012

The Council considered a schedule of nominations for the appointments of Committees, Working Groups and Panels in accordance with the political balance rules, together with respective Chairs and Vice Chairs for the forthcoming Council Year.

The schedule also contained a list of Shadow Portfolio lead and support Members. The schedule of appointments was proposed by the Executive Leader, Councillor Peter Goldsworthy, seconded by Councillor Alan Cullens and it was

RESOLVED - that the following appointments be approved for 2011/2012:

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| Overview and Scrutiny Committee | Development Control Committee |
| A Lowe (Chair) | H Heaton (Chair) |

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| <p>D Platt (Vice Chair) J Berry M Cullens Doreen Dickinson A Hansford H Heaton S Holgate K Iddon B Murray R Russell J Snape P Walmsley P Wilson</p> | <p>G Russell (Vice Chair) K Ball H Counce M Crow David Dickinson D Edgerley C France M Gray H Khan A Hansford P Leadbetter R Lees J Molyneaux M Muncaster</p> <p>Group Substitutes: A Bradley and S Moulton</p> |
| <p>Licensing and Public Safety Committee</p> <p>S Walsh (Chair) K Iddon (Vice Chair) T Brown David Dickinson Doreen Dickinson P Leadbetter H Khan M Lowe M Muncaster S Murfitt B Murray P Phipps A Platt D Platt D Rogerson R Snape J Walker</p> <p>Group Substitutes: A Gee and A Hansford</p> | <p>General Purposes Committee</p> <p>P Goldsworthy (Chair) A Cullens (Vice Chair) T Brown M Crow M Cullens David Dickinson C France M Gray C Hoyle A Lowe M Lowe G Morgan S Moulton B Murray P Phipps A Platt R Russell</p> |
| <p>Audit Committee</p> <p>A Gee (Chair) J Berry (Vice Chair) M Gray P Leadbetter A Platt P Phipps D Rogerson G Russell</p> | <p>Appointments Panel</p> <p>P Goldsworthy (Chair) K Ball A Bradley A Cullens D Edgerley R Snape J Walker P Wilson Plus relevant portfolio holder</p> |
| <p>Chief Executive's Performance Review Panel</p> <p>P Goldsworthy (Chair)</p> | <p>Human Resources Appeals Committee</p> <p>A Cullens</p> |

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| <p>K Ball A Bradley A Cullens P Wilson</p> | <p>A Hansford S Holgate A Lowe M Lowe M Muncaster S Murfitt J Walker S Walsh</p> |
| <p>Equality Forum</p> <p>G Morgan (Chair) David Dickinson (Vice Chair) A Hansford C Hoyle H Khan S Murfitt</p> | <p>LDF Working Group</p> <p>P Goldsworthy (Chair) A Cullens (Vice Chair) K Ball A Bradley H Counce David Dickinson D Edgerley C France H Heaton R Lees M Muncaster G Russell P Walmsley</p> |
| <p>Standards Committee</p> <p>D Platt (Vice Chair) M Gray C Hoyle M Lowe S Walsh</p> | <p>Borough/Parish Liaison</p> <p>All Members of the Executive Cabinet</p> |
| <p>Licensing Liaison</p> <p>Chair and Vice Chair of Licensing and Public Safety Committee</p> | <p>Chorley Partnership</p> <p>Executive Leader Executive Member People (with responsibility for the Childrens Trust) Executive Member Places (with responsibility for Community Safety) Leader of the Opposition</p> |
| <p>Shared Services Joint Committee with South Ribble</p> <p>K Joyce G Russell P Wilson</p> | <p>Community Governance Review Committee</p> <p>P Goldsworthy (Chair) J Berry A Cullens D Rogerson G Morgan G Russell S Walsh P Wilson</p> |
| <p>Members Support Working Group</p> <p>A Cullens (Chair)</p> | <p>Town Centre Workshop</p> <p>M Gray (Chair)</p> |

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| J Molyneux (Vice Chair) B Murray P Leadbetter M Muncaster S Walsh | J Berry A Cullens S Holgate D Platt R Russell S Walsh |
| Lead Member (Health and Older People) : R Russell | |

The following shadow appointments be noted:

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| Leader of the Labour Group | A Bradley |
| Deputy Leader of the Labour Group | P Wilson |
| Shadow Portfolio Position | Lead and Support |
| Policy and Performance | B Murray and A Gee |
| Partnerships and Planning | D Edgerley and C France |
| Transformation | P Wilson and S Holgate |
| People | C Hoyle and J Molyneux |
| Places | T Brown and P Walmsley |
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| Licensing | M Lowe and D Rogerson |
| Development Control | R Lees and M Crow |
| Health and Older People | J Berry and P Phipps |
| Equality | H Khan and S Murfitt |

11.C.192 STANDARDS COMMITTEE: TERMS OF OFFICE FOR INDEPENDENT AND PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Council meeting considered the reappointment of a number of Independent and Parish Members to the Council's Standards Committee. Members were informed that due to expected changes to the standards regime, a Parish Councillor vacancy was not being filled at this stage.

It was proposed by the Executive Leader, Councillor Peter Goldsworthy, seconded by Councillor Alan Cullens and **RESOLVED – that the following Independent and Parish Members be reappointed to the Standard Committee of the Council for the period 2011 to 2015:**

Anthony Ellwood
Parish Councillor Bill Mason
Parish Councillor Anthony Wilson

11.C.193 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES FOR 2011/2012

A schedule of nominations for the appointment of representatives on outside bodies for the Municipal Year 2011/2012 was circulated including where more than one nominations had been received for a position.

The Executive Leader, Councillor Peter Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor Alan Cullens seconded and it was **RESOLVED that the following schedule of nominations be approved for 2011/2012:**

| NAME OF BODY | NO OF REPS | REPRESENTATIVES |
|--|-------------------|--|
| Adlington Community Association | 2 | Councillor J Molyneaux and Mrs F Molyneaux (Labour Nominee) |
| Brindle Village Hall Management Committee | 1 | Councillor David Dickinson |
| Chorley Age Concern | 2 | Councillors R Russell and C Hoyle |
| Chorley and District Neighbourhood Watch Association | 1 | Executive Member for Places (Councillor E Bell) |
| Chorley and District Sports Forum | 2 | Executive Member for People (Councillor J Walker) and Councillor M Muncaster |
| Chorley and South Ribble Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee | 1 | Councillor G Russell |
| Chorley and South Ribble Council for Voluntary Service | 1 | Councillor Doreen Dickinson |
| Chorley and South Ribble Crossroads Care Scheme (Trustees) | 1 | Following a recent merger into a NW body, Chorley is no longer required to nominate a representative. |
| Chorley and South Ribble Disability Forum | 1 | Councillor David Dickinson |
| Chorley and South Ribble MIND | 1 | Councillor Doreen Dickinson |
| Chorley and South Ribble Shopmobility | 1 | Councillor M Gray |
| Chorley Churches Together | 1 | Councillor M Gray |
| Chorley Community Housing Board | 4 | Councillors A Cullens, M Gray, M Lowe and S Holgate |
| Chorley Consolidated Charity and Chorley Relief Fund | 3 | Councillor A Gee (Appointed May 2010) Councillor M Gray (Appointed May 2010) Councillor M Cullens (Appointed May 2011) (NB Appointments are for a 5 year period and cannot be changed mid-period) |
| Chorley Domestic Violence Forum | 2 | Councillors A Hansford and H Khan |
| Chorley Local Children's Trust Partnership | 1 | Executive Member (People) Councillor John Walker |
| Chorley Women's Centre | 1 | Councillors Doreen Dickinson |
| Clayton-le-Woods Community Centre Management Committee | 1 | Councillor M Cullens |
| Cuerden Valley Trust | 1 | Councillor M Muncaster |
| Eccleston Maintained Youth Centre Management Committee | 2 | Councillor H Caunce and Councillor K Joyce |
| Groundwork Trust Wigan and Chorley | 1 | Councillor E Bell |

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| Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee | 2 | Councillors C France and A Hansford |
| Heskin Village Hall Management Committee | 1 | Councillor P Leadbetter |
| Hoghton Village Hall Management Committee | 1 | Councillor David Dickinson |
| Home-Start Chorley and South Ribble | 1 | Councillor R Russell |
| Lancashire County Council Health Scrutiny Committee (Co-opted member) | 1 | Councillor R Russell (Substitute Members - Councillors G Russell and A Gee) |
| Lancashire Economic Partnership Forum | 1 | Executive Leader (Councillor P Goldsworthy) |
| Lancashire Neighbourhood Watch Forum | 1 | Councillor E Bell |
| Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust - Governing Council | 1 | Councillor P Case |
| Lancashire Valuation and Community Charge Tribunal | 1 | Mr Jon Davies (Labour nominee) |
| Lancashire Waste Management Strategy Group | 1 | Executive Member for Places (Councillor E Bell) |
| Local Development Framework Joint Advisory Committee | 3 | Executive Member for Partnerships and Planning (Councillor A Cullens), Councillors H Heaton and R Lees (Substitute Members, Councillors P Goldsworthy, G Russell and D Edgerley) |
| Local Government Association General Assembly | 2 | Executive Leader and Executive Member for Partnerships and Planning |
| Local Government Association Rural Commission | 2 | Executive Leader and Executive Member for Partnerships and Planning |
| Local Government Association Urban Commission | 2 | Executive Leader and Executive Member for Partnerships and Planning |
| Local Government Association Lancashire Branch | 3 | Executive Leader, Executive Member for Partnerships and Planning, and Leader of the Opposition |
| Mawdesley Millennium Trust | 1 | Councillor K Joyce |
| Mawdesley Village Hall Management Committee | 1 | Councillor K Iddon |
| North Western Local Authorities' Employers Organisation | 1 | Executive Member for Transformation (Councillor K Joyce) (An employee of: (i) an organisation represented on the Trade Union Side of the Joint Council; or (ii) a local or |

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| | | Joint Authority and whose conditions of employment are within the scope of the Joint Council shall not be appointed as an Employers' representative (or substitute representative) on the Employers' Organisation. (Rule 5(d)) |
| Preston and Western Lancashire Racial Equality Council | 1 | Councillor G Morgan |
| Rivington Heritage Trust | 1 | Councillor P Case |
| Rivington and Brinscall Advisory Group | 3 | Councillor M Gray, P Case, C France |
| Runshaw College Community Liaison Group | 4 | Councillors G Russell, and G Morgan Neil Caton (Labour Nominee) and Kevin Hodges (Conservative Nominee) |
| Safer Chorley and South Ribble Partnership (Responsible Authorities Group) | 1 | Executive Member for Places (Councillor E Bell) |
| St John Ambulance Association | 1 | The Mayor |
| The North West of England and the Isle of Man Reserved Forces and Cadets Association | 1 | Councillor A Hansford |
| West Pennine Moors Area Management Committee | 2 | Councillors M Gray and J Berry |

To agree the appointment of the Mayor in a Honorary Capacity for the following bodies:

- Chorley & District Choral Society
- Chorley Athletic Club
- St Catherine's Hospice
- Chorley Civic Society
- Royal British Legion

11.C.194 PROGRAMME OF COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2011/2012

It was moved by the Executive Leader, Councillor Peter Goldsworthy and seconded by Councillor Alan Cullens and **RESOLVED – that the following timetable of Council Meetings to be held at 6.30pm in the Town Hall, Chorley be confirmed for 2011/2012:**

19 July 2011
27 September 2011
15 November 2011 (Policy Council)
6 December 2011
28 February 2012 (Budget Council)
3 April 2012.

Mayor