

Town Hall Market Street Chorley Lancashire PR7 1DP

16 May 2012

Dear Councillor

COUNCIL - TUESDAY, 15TH MAY 2012

The following reports were tabled the above meeting of the Council.

Agenda No Item

10. <u>Appointments to Committees and other Council positions for 2012/2013</u> (Pages 1 - 10)

To approve the appointment of Members of the Council to Committees, other bodies and positions on the Council and to note shadow appointments for 2012/2013.

15. **Proposed Chorley Career and Sixth Form** (Pages 11 - 14)

Urgent item.

Yours sincerely

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ان معلومات کاتر جمد آ کچی اپنی زبان میں بھی کیا جا سکتا ہے۔ بیخدمت استعال کرنے کیلئے پر اہ مہر بانی اس نمبر پر ٹیلیفون <u>ي</u>جئے: 01257 515823



EXECUTIVE CABINET; APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, PANELS & GROUPS; SHADOW POSITIONS FOR 2012/2013

| EXECUTIVE CABINET | • | COUNCILLOR | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| EXECUTIVE LEADER | EXECUTIVE LEADER & EXECUTIVE MEMBER (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & GOVERNANCE) | | | | | | |
| DEPUTY EXECUTIVE PERFORMANCE) | DEPUTY EXECUTIVE LEADER & EXECUTIVE MEMBER (RESOURCES, POLICY & PERFORMANCE) | | | | | | |
| EXECUTIVE MEMBER | B Murray | | | | | | |
| EXECUTIVE MEMBER | T Brown | | | | | | |
| EXECUTIVE MEMBER | D Edgerley | | | | | | |
| EXECUTIVE MEMBER | EXECUTIVE MEMBER (HOMES & BUSINESS) | | | | | | |
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| CHAIR OF LICENSING | & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE | M Lowe | | | | | |
| CHAIR OF DEVELOPM | CHAIR OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE | | | | | | |
| LEAD MEMBERS: | HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS EMPLOYMENT AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT GOVERNANCE, FAMILIES AND OLDER PEOPLE | S Murfitt M Crow C France | | | | | |

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| COMMITTEE | LABOUR GROUP | CONSERVATIVE GROUP | INDEPENDENT GROUP | COPPULL INDEPENDENT MEMBER |
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| OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (15 Members) (8: 6: 1: 0) | S Holgate (Chair) G Dunn R Finnamore C France H Khan M Lowe J Berry K Snape | The Conservative Group have withdrawn their membership of this committee. | J Snape | |
| DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE (15 Members) (8: 6: 0: 1) | P Walmsley (Chair) D Rogerson (Vice Chair) J Cronshaw D Edgerley C France D Gee S Holgate R Lees | H Caunce J Dalton David Dickinson H Heaton G Morgan G Russell | | K Ball |
| 2 x Substitute Members per group | M Crow and R Finnamore | A Hansford and M Muncaster | | |
| LICENSING AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (17 Members) (9 : 7: 1: 0) | M Lowe (Chair) A Gee (Vice Chair) J Cronshaw M Crow G Dunn H Khan | David Dickinson Doreen Dickinson K Iddon P Leadbetter M Muncaster A Platt | R Snape | |

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| | A Lowe S Murfitt P Phipps | J Walker | | |
| 2 x Substitute Members per group | J Berry and D Gee | | | |
| GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (17 Members) (9: 7: 1: 0) | J Berry (Chair) D Gee (Vice Chair) T Brown M Crow J Cronshaw H Khan A Lowe J Molyneaux B Murray | E Bell P Goldsworthy K Joyce H Heaton P Leadbetter G Morgan J Walker | R Snape | |
| GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (8 Members) (4: 4: 0: 0) | J Berry G Dunn A Gee J Molyneaux | P Leadbetter (Chair) A Hansford (Vice Chair) M Gray A Platt | | |
| APPOINTMENTS PANEL (9 Members) (5: 3: 1: 0) | A Bradley (Chair) A Lowe S Murfitt P Wilson Plus relevant portfolio holder | P Goldsworthy G Morgan J Walker | R Snape | |

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| CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW PANEL (5 Members) | A Bradley (Chair) P Walmsley P Wilson | P Goldsworthy G Morgan | | |
| (3: 2: 0: 0) | | | | |
| HUMAN RESOURCES APPEALS COMMITTEE (Panels taken from 9 Members) (5: 4: 0: 0) | M Lowe (Chair) G Dunn A Gee B Murray P Phipps | J Dalton M Muncaster R Russell J Walker | | |
| EQUALITY FORUM (6 Members) (4: 2: 0: 0) | H Khan (Chair) J Cronshaw S Holgate S Murfitt | A Hansford R Russell | | |
| LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK WORKING GROUP (12 Members) (7: 5: 0: 0) | A Bradley (Chair) D Edgerley R Finnamore D Gee R Lees D Rogerson P Walmsley | H Caunce P Goldsworthy H Heaton G Morgan G Russell | | |
| BOROUGH/ PARISH LIAISON (Executive Cabinet Members) | All Executive Cabinet Members | | | |

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| LICENSING LIAISON (2 Members) Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee | M Lowe (Chair) A Gee (Vice Chair) | | | |
| CHORLEY PARTNERSHIP (4 Members) | Executive Leader, Cabinet Members for Childrens Trust (People) and Community Safety (Places) | Leader of Opposition | | |
| SHARED SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE (3 Members) (2: 1: 0: 0) | A Bradley P Wilson | K Joyce | | |
| MEMBERS SUPPORT WORKING GROUP (6 Members) (4: 2: 0 :0) | J Molyneaux (Chair) D Rogerson (Vice Chair) S Holgate K Snape | P Leadbetter M Muncaster | | |

SHADOW POSITIONS 2012/2013

| Leader of the Conservative Group | P Goldsworthy | | |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| Deputy Leader of the Conservative Group | G Morgan | | |
| SHADOW PORTFOLIO POSITIONS | LEAD | SUPPORT | |
| Economic Development and Governance | P Goldsworthy | A Platt | |
| Resources, Policy and Performance | K Joyce | G Morgan | |
| People | J Walker | R Russell | |
| Places | E Bell | P Leadbetter | |
| LDF and Planning | G Morgan | G Russell | |
| Homes and Business | H Heaton | M Gray | |
| SHADOW LEAD MEMBERS | LEAD | | |
| LICENSING | K Iddon | | |
| DEVELOPMENT CONTROL | G Russell | | |

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES FOR 2012/13

| No. | NAME OF BODY | NO OF REPS | REPRESENTATIVES | EXPIRY DATE |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Adlington Community Association | 2 | Councillor June Molyneaux and Mrs Florence Molyneaux (Labour Nominee) | May 2013 |
| 2. | Armed Force Champion (Preston, Chorley and South Ribble CVS) | 1 | Executive Member for People (Councillor Beverley Murray) | May 2013 |
| 3. | Brindle Village Hall Management Committee (Observer position) | 1 | Councillor David Dickinson | May 2013 |
| 4. | Chorley Age Concern | 2 | Councillors Rosemary Russell and Jean Cronshaw | May 2013 |
| 5. | Chorley and District Neighbourhood Watch Association | 1 | Executive Member for Places (Councillor Terry Brown) | May 2013 |
| 6. | Chorley and District Sports Forum | 2 | Executive Member for People (Councillor Beverley Murray) and Councillor Mick Muncaster | May 2013 |
| 7. | Chorley and South Ribble Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee | 1 | Councillor Hasina Khan | May 2013 |
| 8. | Council for Voluntary Service Central Lancashire | 1 | Councillor Jean Cronshaw | May 2013 |
| 9. | Chorley and South Ribble Disability Forum | 1 | Councillor Steve Holgate | May 2013 |
| 10. | Chorley and South Ribble MIND | 1 | Councillor Rosemary Russell | May 2013 |
| 11. | Chorley and South Ribble Shopmobility | 1 | Councillor June Molyneaux | May 2013 |
| 12. | Chorley Churches Together | 1 | Councillor Matthew Crow | May 2013 |
| 13. | Chorley Community Housing Board | 4 | Councillors Daniel Gee, Marie Gray, Harold Heaton and Steve Murfitt | May 2013 |

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| 14. | Chorley Consolidated Charity and Chorley Relief Fund | 3 | Councillor Anthony Gee (Appointed May 2010) Councillor Marie Gray (Appointed May 2010) Councillor Doreen Dickinson (Appointed July 2011) (NB Appointments are for a 5 year period and cannot be changed mid-period) | May 2015 May 2015 May 2016 |
| 15. | Chorley Domestic Violence Forum | 2 | Councillors Julia Berry and Hasina Khan | May 2013 |
| 16. | Chorley Local Children's Trust Partnership | 1 | Executive Member (People) Councillor Beverley Murray | May 2013 |
| 17. | Chorley Women's Centre | 1 | Councillor Julia Berry | May 2013 |
| 18. | Clayton-le-Woods Community Centre Management Committee | 1 | Councillor David Rogerson | May 2013 |
| 19. | Cuerden Valley Trust | 1 | Councillor Mick Muncaster | May 2013 |
| 20. | District Councils' Network | 1 | Executive Leader (Councillor Alistair Bradley) | May 2013 |
| 21. | Eccleston Maintained Youth Centre Management Committee | 2 | Councillors Henry Caunce and Kevin Joyce | May 2013 |
| 22. | Groundwork Trust Wigan and Chorley | 1 | Councillor Kim Snape | May 2013 |
| 23. | Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee | 2 | Councillors Chris France and Kim Snape | May 2013 |
| 24. | Heskin Village Hall Management Committee | 1 | Councillor Paul Leadbetter | May 2013 |
| 25. | Hoghton Village Hall Management Committee | 1 | Councillor David Dickinson | May 2013 |
| 26. | Home-Start Chorley and South Ribble | 1 | Councillor Pauline Phipps | May 2013 |
| 27. | Lancashire County Council Health Scrutiny Committee (Co-opted member) | 1 | Councillor Julia Berry (Substitute Members - Councillor Jean Cronshaw) | May 2013 |
| 28. | Lancashire Economic Partnership Forum | 1 | Executive Leader (Councillor Alistair Bradley) | May 2013 |
| 29. | Lancashire Neighbourhood Watch Forum | 1 | Councillor Jean Cronshaw | May 2013 |

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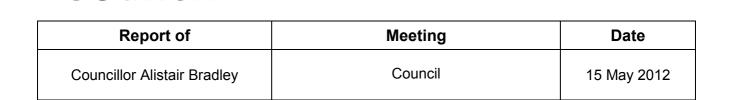
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| 30. | Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust - Governing Council | 1 | Councillor Julia Berry | May 2013 |
| 31. | Lancashire Valuation Tribunal | 1 | Mr Jon Davies (Labour nominee) | March 2013 |
| 32. | Lancashire Waste Management Strategy Group | 1 | Executive Member for Places (Councillor Terry Brown) | May 2013 |
| 33. | Local Development Framework Joint Advisory Committee | 3 | Executive Member for LDF and Planning (Councillor Dennis Edgerley), Councillors Harold Heaton and Paul Walmsley. (Substitutes Councillors Alistair Bradley, Greg Morgan and Dave Rogerson) | May 2013 |
| 34. | Local Government Association General Assembly | 2 | Executive Leader (Councillor Alistair Bradley) and Executive Member for LDF and Planning (Councillor Dennis Edgerley) | May 2013 |
| 35. | Local Government Association Rural Commission | 2 | Executive Leader (Councillor Alistair Bradley) and Executive Member for LDF and Planning (Councillor Dennis Edgerley) | May 2013 |
| 36. | Local Government Association Urban Commission | 2 | Executive Leader (Councillor Alistair Bradley) and Executive Member for LDF and Planning (Councillor Dennis Edgerley) | May 2013 |
| 37. | Local Government Association Lancashire Branch | 3 | Executive Leader (Councillor Alistair Bradley), Executive Member for LDF and Planning (Councillor Dennis Edgerley) and Leader of the Opposition (Councillor Peter Goldsworthy) | May 2013 |
| 38. | Mawdesley Millennium Trust | 1 | Councillor Kevin Joyce | May 2013 |
| 39. | Mawdesley Village Hall Management Committee | 1 | Councillor Keith Iddon | May 2013 |
| 40. | North Western Local Authorities' Employers Organisation | 1 | Executive Member for Resources, Policy and Performance (Councillor Peter Wilson) | May 2013 |
| | | | An employee of: (i) an organisation represented on the Trade Union Side of the Joint Council; or (ii) a local or Joint Authority and whose conditions of employment are within the scope of the Joint Council | |

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| | | | shall not be appointed as an Employers' representative (or substitute representative) on the Employers' Organisation. (Rule 5(d)) | |
| 41. | PATROL Adjudication and Bus Lane Adjudication Joint Committee Service | 1 | Executive Member for Places (Councillor Terry Brown) | May 2013 |
| 42. | Preston and Western Lancashire Racial Equality Council | 1 | Councillor Steve Murfitt | May 2013 |
| 43. | Rivington Heritage Trust | 1 | Councillor Kim Snape | May 2013 |
| 44. | Rivington and Brinscall Advisory Group | 3 | Councillors Marie Gray, Chris France and Kim Snape | May 2013 |
| 45. | Runshaw College Community Liaison Group | 4 | Councillors Matthew Crow, Robert Finnamore and Geoff Russell and Sarah Ainsworth (Labour Nominee) | May 2013 |
| 46. | Safer Chorley and South Ribble Partnership (Responsible Authorities Group) | 1 | Executive Member for Places (Councillor Terry Brown) | May 2013 |
| 47. | St John Ambulance Association | 1 | The Mayor (Councillor June Molyneaux) | May 2013 |
| 48. | The North West of England and the Isle of Man Reserved Forces and Cadets Association | 1 | Councillor Graham Dunn | May 2013 |
| 49. | West Pennine Moors Area Management Committee | 2 | Councillors Marie Gray and Julia Berry | May 2013 |

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 •
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- Chorley Civic Society •
- Royal British Legion •

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PROPOSED CHORLEY CAREER AND SIXTH FORM ACADEMY

PURPOSE OF REPORT

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1. To seek the Council's approval to write to the Department for Education regarding their recent consultation on the proposed Chorley Career and Sixth Form Academy.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Council write to the Department for Education expressing the Council's concerns, as outlined in Section 7 in this report.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

3. The Department for Education consulted Lancashire County Council as the Local Education Authority on the proposed Free School for Chorley. Although Chorley Council were not consulted, and the deadline has passed, it is recommended a response be sent as outlined in Section 7 of this report.

| Confidential report | Yes | Νο |
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| Please bold as appropriate | | |

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

4 This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

| Strong Family Support | \checkmark | Education and Jobs | \checkmark |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Being Healthy | | Pride in Quality Homes and Clean | |
| | | Neighbourhoods | |
| Safe Respectful Communities | | Quality Community Services and | |
| | | Spaces | |
| Vibrant Local Economy | \checkmark | Thriving Town Centre, Local | |
| | | Attractions and Villages | |
| | op P | erforming Organisation and Delivers | |
| Excellent Value for Money | | | |

BACKGROUND

- 5 As Members will be aware, a Free School, named the Chorley Career and Sixth Form Academy, is being proposed for Chorley.
- 6 As part of this process of considering a Free School, Lancashire County Council, as the Local Education Authority for Chorley, have been consulted by the Department for Education. Chorley Council were not included in this consultation. The consultation deadline has passed.

PROPOSED RESPONSE

- 7. It is proposed that Chorley Council write to the Department for Education and make the following comments:
 - (a) The detail of Chorley Career and Sixth Form Academy's plans are under developed, as outlined on their website, and do not allow for a full and proper consultation at this stage. The Council would recommend that the Plans be developed further and the consultation be undertaken again when respondents have more precise information to comment on.
 - (b) The Council would also request that Chorley Council and the local Chorley Children's Trust be formally consulted as part of a second consultation phase.
 - (c) If the proposal is approved and the school is successful, it will result in additional surplus places and reduced pupil numbers within the existing secondary schools as a result of increased competition. Although population forecasts indicate that future years will require an increase in school places, this is not the case at the present time, with demand only increasing in primary schools. There are enough places within the current secondary provision in the next 5 years. In the longer term, rising primary numbers transferring into secondary together with significant levels of housing development which has not yet come forward mean that there may be a need for additional places although the timing is not yet established.
 - (d) There are a number of secondary schools within Chorley and the surrounding area with significant levels of surplus places that the Lancashire County Council is currently required to report on an annual basis to DfE. In addition, some schools have low pupil numbers and future educational and financial viability is a concern, particularly as pupil numbers are not predicted to increase in the near future. If the proposal is approved. Schools will be competing for a decreasing number of young people and the costs to the young people and their lives is immense if a school fails through lack of numbers and/or is only able to offer a limited curriculum as it cannot afford to do anything else.
 - (e) In Chorley there are already two Academies with a further two schools due to convert to Academy status in September 2012 leaving only two local authority maintained schools. Therefore, there is plenty of diversity already in Chorley without the addition of a further secondary school. All the schools in the area perform above the floor target, some of them very significantly so. All of the schools are rated good or outstanding by Ofsted.
 - (f) There is evidence that pupils and their families have choice and their preferences are accommodated. The vast majority of applicants for Chorley secondary schools received an offer for their first preference school. This compared well to the Lancashire average as shown below

| Area | 1 st Prefs | 2 nd Prefs | 3 rd Prefs | No Pref |
|------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Chorley | 95% | 4% | 1% | Nil |
| Lancashire | 93% | 5% | 1% | 1% |

If the new provision opens in September 2012, the school will have no option other than to take pupils from schools that have already offered them a place. Whilst Academies are excepted from the first year of co-ordination such action would appear to be against the spirit of the Admissions Code and does not bode well for future relationships and collaboration between schools in the area.

- (g) Entry requirements into the Sixth Form of the Chorley Career and Sixth Form Academy for students following the academic route are a minimum of 5 A*-C grades and GCSE, including English and Maths. Grade requirements for individual subjects, in addition for the 5A*-C are no lower than B. The entry requirements are high and are at odds with the Academy's vision 'to reduce the % NEET' in Chorley significantly and increase the number of young people entering further and higher education. 71% of young people aged 16 19 in Chorley who are NEET do not have the qualifications to meet the Chorley Career and Sixth Form Academy academic entry requirements.
- (h) The Academy have listed 23 'A' levels in Annex B Proposed Admission Requirements to Community Sixth Form/Year 12 2012/2013. 19 of the 23 'A' levels are offered by Runshaw College, of the other four 'A' levels three of the subjects are offered in a Btec qualification and Classical Civilisation is not offered. Runshaw College is a Sixth Form College whose main campus is 4.6 miles from the address on the Chorley Career and Sixth Form Academy website. They also have a site on Market Street in Chorley town centre. The following is taken from the Runshaw College website, 'The 2011 examination league tables published by the Department for Education in January 2012 show Runshaw to be the best performing college in the country. Runshaw College is very popular and attracts students from an area wider than Chorley and south Ribble. It should be noted that if there is excess demand for spaces priority is given to pupils from Chorley and South Ribble.
- (i) In addition to Runshaw College's Chorley town centre site, Rathbone are based on St Georges Street in Chorley town centre. Rathbone deliver Foundation Learning for 16-18 year olds and Apprenticeships for 16-24 year olds. Rathbone currently offer Apprenticeship programmes in Chorley and the surrounding area in: Motor Vehicles, Retail, Childcare and Business Administration. Runshaw also offer Apprenticeships and the following are available: Accounting, Beauty Therapy, Business Administration, Catering & Hospitality, Childcare, Customer Service, Engineering, Hairdressing, Health & Social Care, Housing, Information Technology, Management, Teaching Assistants and Team Leading.
- (j) In the light of the above comments, Chorley Council are of the opinion that the proposal would not have a positive impact on Chorley and its young people.

IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

8. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Directors' comments are included:

| Finance | | Customer Services | |
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| Human Resources | | Equality and Diversity | |
| Legal | | Integrated Impact Assessment required? | |
| No significant implications in this area | | Policy and Communications | |

COMMENTS OF THE STATUTORY FINANCE OFFICER

9. This report presents no financial issues for the Council.

COMMENTS OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

10. This report presents no legal issues for the Council.

COUNCILLOR ALISTAIR BRADLEY LEADER, LABOUR GROUP

There are no background papers to this report.

| Report Author | Ext | Date | Doc ID |
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| Councillor Alistair Bradley | 5104 | 15 May 2012 | |