

COUNCIL

Tuesday, 3 November 2009

Present: Councillor Iris Smith (Mayor), Councillor Ken Ball (Deputy Mayor), Councillors Eric Bell, Julia Berry, Alistair Bradley, Alan Cain, Alan Cullens, Mike Devaney, David Dickinson, Doreen Dickinson, Dennis Edgerley, Christopher France, Anthony Gee, Peter Goldsworthy, Marie Gray, Pat Haughton, Harold Heaton, Catherine Hoyle, Keith Iddon, Kevin Joyce, Hasina Khan, Roy Lees, Laura Lennox, Adrian Lowe, Marion Lowe, Peter Malpas, Thomas McGowan, June Molyneaux, Greg Morgan, Simon Moulton, Mick Muncaster, Debra Platt, Geoffrey Russell, Rosie Russell, Edward Smith, Joyce Snape, Ralph Snape, John Walker and Peter Wilson

09.C.36 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Nora Ball, Judith Boothman, Terry Brown, Henry Caunce, Pat Case, Magda Cullens, Mark Perks and Stella Walsh.

09.C.37 MINUTES OF THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 22nd September 2009 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

09.C.38 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

09.C.39 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor thanked those who had sponsored her for her Zip Slide at Preston North End Football Ground in aid of St Catherine's Hospice and to those who attended her Charity Quiz Night.

The Mayor also referred to the fact that there would be no bonfire and fireworks display this year at Astley Park but asked all political party leaders to join her in extending a big thank you to Chorley Lions for their tremendous efforts over the years in staging the event.

09.C.40 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There had been no public questions submitted.

09.C.41 THE ANNUAL REFRESH OF THE CORPORATE STRATEGY 2009/10 TO 2010/11

The Executive Member (Policy and Performance) introduced a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy and Performance) seeking approval to the proposed Corporate Strategy for the Council for 2009/10 to 2010/11.

The Corporate Strategy is the Council's key corporate business planning document which sets out the long term vision, priorities and strategic outcomes and targets for the next two years.

The report detailed changes to the wording of the Council's vision and also to Strategic Objectives 3 and 4. In addition the report listed changes to six of the long term outcomes.

In debating this item, the following amendments were put forward for consideration.

1. Column 1 (key project)

Key project - to secure the redevelopment of the Pall Mall Triangle and Market Street.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Alistair Bradley and seconded by Councillor Roy Lees to revise the above key project to read:
“ to ensure the redevelopment of the Pall Mall area, to result in benefits to both the surrounding locality and the overall town centre of Chorley”.

The amendment was put to the vote and LOST.

2. Column 2 (long term outcome 2.5)

Long term outcome 2.5 - people satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live from rural wards. Target 90% by March 2011 NI5

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Peter Wilson and seconded by Councillor Laura Lennox to revise outcome 2.5 to read:
“people satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live. Target 90% by March 2011 NI5.”

The amendment was put to the vote and LOST.

3. Column 4 (key project)

Key project - to deliver food waste recycling.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Laura Lennox and seconded by Councillor Adrian Lowe to the above key project to read:
“to deliver food waste recycling without additional cost to the user”.

The amendment was put to the vote and LOST

4. Column 5 (long term outcome 5.5)

Long term outcome 5.5 - improvement and protection of Chorley's parks and open spaces.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Dennis Edgerley and seconded by Councillor Laura Lennox to revise outcome 5.5 to read:
“The improvement and extension of the green corridor of Chorley”.

A further amendment was proposed by Councillor Peter Goldsworthy and seconded by Councillor Dennis Edgerley to read:
“To seek funding to improve and extend the green corridor of Chorley”.

The second amendment was put to the vote and CARRIED.

5. Column 6 (Key project)

Key project – to complete an I&DEA Peer Review of the LSP

The following amendment was proposed by Councillor Dennis Edgerley and seconded by Councillor Alistair Bradley:

“ to delete outcome 6.2 and the key project to complete an I&DEA Peer Review of the LSP and to prepare an action plan to deliver a balanced budget without impacting on frontline services”.

The amendment was put to the vote and LOST.

6. Column 6 (key project)

A request was received from Councillor Julia Berry to reinstate a Staff Satisfaction Survey into the proposed Corporate Strategy.

The request was accepted and it was agreed that a staff satisfaction survey would be included within the proposed Corporate Strategy with the wording to be to be agreed by the Executive Leader.

It was moved by Councillor Greg Morgan, Executive Member (Policy and Performance) and seconded by Councillor Peter Goldsworthy, Executive Leader and RESOLVED -

1. That the revised Corporate Strategy 2009/10 – 2010/11 as set out in the report and amended as above to include:

- A revised long term outcome 5.5 to read “to seek funding to improve and extend the green corridor of Chorley”; and
- The inclusion of a staff satisfaction survey in the Corporate Strategy

2. That the Executive Leader be delegated responsibility as Chair of the LSP Executive, to approve two targets which are currently being reviewed at a Lancashire Level as part of the Local Area Agreement.

Mayor