

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL COUNCIL**

**MEETING DATE** Tuesday, 19 May 2015

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillor Roy Lees (Mayor), Councillor Marion Lowe (Deputy Mayor) and Councillors Aaron Beaver, Eric Bell, Julia Berry, Martin Boardman, Alistair Bradley, Charlie Bromilow, Terry Brown, Henry Counce, Paul Clark, Jean Cronshaw, Alan Cullens, John Dalton, David Dickinson, Doreen Dickinson, Graham Dunn, Robert Finnamore, Christopher France, Gordon France, Margaret France, Anthony Gee, Danny Gee, Keith Iddon, Mark Jarnell, Hasina Khan, Paul Leadbetter, Margaret Lees, Adrian Lowe, Matthew Lynch, June Molyneaux, Greg Morgan, Alistair Morwood, Mick Muncaster, Steve Murfitt, Beverley Murray, Mark Perks, Joyce Snape, Kim Snape, Ralph Snape, Richard Toon, John Walker, Paul Walmsley, Alan Whittaker and Peter Wilson

**OFFICERS:** Gary Hall (Chief Executive), Lesley-Ann Fenton (Director of Customer and Advice Services), Jamie Carson (Director of Public Protection, Streetscene and Community), Chris Moister (Head of Governance) and Carol Russell (Democratic Services Manager)

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Mike Handley and Debra Platt

**15.C.232 Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 14 April 2015 of Council**

**RESOLVED – that the minutes of the last meeting held on 14 April 2015 be approved as a correct record for signature by the Mayor.**

**15.C.233 Declarations of Any Interests**

There were no declarations of interest received.

**15.C.234 Returning Officer's Report**

The Returning Officer reported on the results of the Borough Elections on 7 May 2015, with Councillors elected as follows:

Ward	Councillor
Adlington and Anderton	June Molyneaux
Astley and Buckshaw	Mark Perks

Chisnall	Paul Leadbetter
Chorley East	Terry Brown
Chorley North East	Marion Lowe
Chorley North West	Aaron Beaver
Chorley South East	Paul Walmsley
Chorley South West	Margaret Lees
Clayton le Woods & Whittle le Woods	Greg Morgan
Clayton le Woods North	Steve Murfitt
Clayton le Woods West & Cuerden	Alan Cullens
Coppull	Paul Clark
Eccleston & Mawdesley	Martin Boardman
Euxton South	Debra Platt
Lostock	Doreen Dickinson

The Mayor and the Executive Leader formally welcomed all newly elected Councillors to the meeting, and paid tribute to the work of Councillors Rogerson and Holgate who had not been re-elected on 7 May 2015.

#### **15.C.235 Public Questions**

There were no public questions for consideration.

#### **15.C.236 Adoption of Chorley Local Plan 2012 -2026**

The Mayor reported that this item of business had been withdrawn from the agenda and would be considered at the next Council meeting on 21 July 2015.

#### **15.C.237 Election of the Mayor for the Council Year 2015/16**

It was formally proposed by Councillor Danny Gee, and seconded by Councillor Anthony Gee, that Councillor Marion Lowe be elected as Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the forthcoming Council Year.

**RESOLVED – that Councillor Marion Lowe be elected as Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the forthcoming Council year.**

*Councillor Marion Lowe in the Chair*

The Mayor signed the declaration of acceptance of office and thanked all present for her election to the office of Mayor. She informed Members that she would be undertaking fundraising activities throughout her Mayoral year in support of St Catherine's Hospice, Derian House and Home-Start, plus Cuerden Valley Park Trust, Crossroads Chorley and the PDSA. The Mayor introduced her husband, Councillor Adrian Lowe as her Consort for the year.

#### **15.C.238 Election of the Deputy Mayor for the Council Year 2015/16**

It was formally proposed by Councillor Mark Perks and seconded by Councillor John Walker that Councillor David Dickinson be elected as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the forthcoming Council Year.

**RESOLVED – That Councillor David Dickinson be elected as Deputy Mayor for the Borough of Chorley for the forthcoming Council Year.**

The Deputy Mayor signed the declaration of acceptance of office and introduced his granddaughter Lydia Dickinson, as his Deputy Mayoress for the year.

**15.C.239 Presentation and vote of thanks to the Retiring Mayor**

The Mayor presented the Retiring Mayor, Councillor Roy Lees with a portrait of himself in the Mayoral Robes; a past Mayor’s badge of office; and a plaque bearing the Council’s Coat of Arms, as tokens of his past year of office as Mayor of Chorley. The Retiring Mayoress, Mrs Margaret Lees was presented with a past Mayoress’s badge of office.

Political group leaders and ward colleagues paid tribute to the Retiring Mayor and Mayoress, Councillor Roy and Margaret Lees for an extremely successful Mayoral year with the organisation of many excellent fundraising events in aid of their chosen charities.

Councillor Roy Lees responded, saying he had been proud to serve as Mayor of the Borough, it had been both an honour and a privilege. He thanked Members and staff for their support and Reverend Cox for serving as his chaplain. He thanked all who had supported his fundraising events and was pleased to announce that he and his Mayoress had raised over £21,000 towards their chosen charities.

Councillor Lees presented to the Council, two plaques for the Mayor’s Parlour, to accompany the photographs of the first and current Mayors of the Borough.

**15.C.240 Executive Cabinet Appointments for 2015/16**

Councillor Alistair Bradley, Executive Leader informed the Council of his appointments to the Executive Cabinet for 2015/16.

Appointment to the Executive Cabinet and portfolio support roles were reported as follows:

Portfolio	Appointment
<p><b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS</b>            Lead Director: Gary Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economic Development</li> <li>• Business Development</li> <li>• Partnerships and Public Sector Reform to include               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Health and Wellbeing</li> <li>- Children and Young People</li> <li>- Older People</li> <li>- Equality and Diversity</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Strategic Planning to include LDF and Planning Policy</li> </ul>	<p><b>Alistair Bradley</b></p>

<p><b>RESOURCES</b></p> <p>Lead Director: Gary Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human Resources and Organisational Development</li> <li>• Democratic and Member Services</li> <li>• Asset Management (including Market Walk)</li> <li>• Car parking</li> <li>• Town Centre Management and Strategic Development</li> <li>• Property Management</li> <li>• Legal</li> <li>• Finance and Assurance Services</li> <li>• Procurement</li> <li>• Corporate Policy</li> <li>• Communications and Campaigns</li> </ul>	<p><b>Peter Wilson</b></p>
<p><b>COMMUNITY SERVICES</b></p> <p>Lead Director: Jamie Carson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Centre Management</li> <li>• Community Development</li> <li>• Neighbourhood Working</li> <li>• Volunteering and VCFS</li> <li>• Parks and Open Spaces</li> <li>• Astley Hall and Cultural Assets</li> </ul>	<p><b>Bev Murray</b></p>
<p><b>PUBLIC PROTECTION</b></p> <p>Lead Director: Jamie Carson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development Control</li> <li>• Building Control</li> <li>• Environmental Health</li> <li>• Licensing</li> <li>• Community Safety</li> </ul>	<p><b>Paul Walmsley</b></p>
<p><b>STREETSCENE SERVICES</b></p> <p>Lead Director: Jamie Carson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Street Cleansing</li> <li>• Grounds Maintenance</li> <li>• Waste Collection Services</li> <li>• Streetscene Improvements</li> </ul>	<p><b>Adrian Lowe</b></p>
<p><b>CUSTOMER AND ADVICE SERVICES</b></p> <p>Lead Director: Lesley-Ann Fenton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ICT</li> <li>• Customer Services (including revenues and benefits, transactional services and front-facing customer services)</li> <li>• Home Improvement Agency</li> <li>• Housing Options and Advice</li> <li>• Supported Housing</li> <li>• Welfare Reform</li> </ul>	<p><b>Graham Dunn</b></p>

<b>Member Responsible for :</b>	
Business and Economic Development Health and Wellbeing Housing Town Centre Community Development Enforcement and Adoptions Skills and Assets	Terry Brown Hasina Khan Steve Murfitt Danny Gee Matthew Lynch Kim Snape Alistair Morwood
<b>Council Champion for :</b>	
Democratic and Member Services Older People Rural Communities Community Safety and Clean Streets Young People	Gordon France Jean Cronshaw Alan Whittaker Julia Berry Mark Jarnell

**RESOLVED – that the appointments be noted.**

#### 15.C.241 Appointments to Committees, Panels and Working Groups for 2015/16

The Council considered a schedule of nominations for the appointment of committees, working groups and panels in accordance with the political balance of the Council, together with nominations to Chair and Vice Chair positions and a list of shadow portfolio positions.

The Executive Leader proposed, the Executive Member for Resources seconded and it was **RESOLVED – that the following appointments be approved for 2015/16:**

COMMITTEES	LABOUR GROUP	CONSERVATIVE GROUP	INDEPENDENT GROUP
<b>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b> (14 Members)  (10: 4: 0)	<b>Hasina Khan (Vice-Chair)</b> Aaron Beaver Paul Clark Margaret France Mark Jarnell Margaret Lees Matthew Lynch June Molyneaux Alistair Morwood Kim Snape	<b>John Walker (Chair)</b> Eric Bell Greg Morgan Debra Platt	
<b>O &amp; S Performance Panel</b> (6 Members 4: 2: 0)	<b>Hasina Khan (Vice-Chair)</b> Paul Clark June Molyneaux Alistair Morwood	<b>John Walker (Chair)</b> Debra Platt	

<p><b>DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE</b> (15 Members)</p> <p>(10: 5: 0)</p> <p>2 x substitute Members per group</p>	<p><b>June Molyneaux (Chair)</b> <b>Chris France (Vice-Chair)</b> Aaron Beaver Charlie Bromilow Paul Clark Danny Gee Alistair Morwood Richard Toon Paul Walmsley Alan Whittaker</p> <p>Jean Cronshaw Gordon France</p>	<p>Martin Boardman Henry Caunce John Dalton Keith Iddon Mick Muncaster</p> <p>Eric Bell Greg Morgan</p>	
<p><b>LICENSING AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE</b> (15 Members)</p> <p>(10 : 4: 1)</p> <p>2 x Substitute Members per group</p>	<p><b>Roy Lees (Chair)</b> <b>Anthony Gee (Vice-Chair)</b> Jean Cronshaw Gordon France Margaret France Mark Jarnell Hasina Khan Margaret Lees Matthew Lynch Steve Murfitt</p> <p>Marion Lowe Kim Snape</p>	<p>Doreen Dickinson Keith Iddon Mick Muncaster John Walker</p> <p>Eric Bell</p>	<p>Ralph Snape</p>
<p><b>GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE</b> (17 Members)</p> <p>(11: 5: 1)</p>	<p><b>Gordon France (Chair)</b> <b>Matthew Lynch (Vice-Chair)</b> Charlie Bromilow Jean Cronshaw Robert Finnamore Margaret France Mike Handley Mark Jarnell Hasina Khan Marion Lowe June Molyneaux</p>	<p>Eric Bell Alan Cullens John Dalton Paul Leadbetter Mark Perks</p>	<p>Ralph Snape</p>
<p><b>GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE</b> (8 Members)</p> <p>(5: 3: 0)</p>	<p><b>Anthony Gee (Vice Chair)</b> Gordon France Margaret France Margaret Lees Matthew Lynch</p>	<p><b>Paul Leadbetter (Chair)</b> Alan Cullens Debra Platt</p>	

<p><b>APPOINTMENTS PANEL</b> (9 Members)</p> <p>(6: 2: 1)</p>	<p><b>Alistair Bradley (Chair)</b> Aaron Beaver Graham Dunn Adrian Lowe Alistair Morwood Peter Wilson</p> <p>Plus relevant portfolio holder</p>	<p>Paul Leadbetter Mark Perks</p>	<p>Ralph Snape</p>
<p><b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW PANEL</b> (5 Members)</p> <p>(3: 2: 0)</p>	<p><b>Alistair Bradley (Chair)</b> Terry Brown Peter Wilson</p>	<p>Paul Leadbetter Mark Perks</p>	
<p><b>HUMAN RESOURCES APPEALS COMMITTEE</b> (Panels taken from 9 Members)</p> <p>(6: 3: 0)</p>	<p><b>Margaret France (Chair)</b> Charlie Bromilow Graham Dunn Robert Fynamore Marion Lowe Beverley Murray</p>	<p>John Dalton Mick Muncaster John Walker</p>	
<p><b>EQUALITY FORUM</b> (4 Members)</p> <p>(3: 1: 0)</p>	<p><b>Hasina Khan (Vice-Chair)</b> Paul Clark Jean Cronshaw</p>	<p>John Dalton</p>	
<p><b>LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK WORKING GROUP</b> (12 Members)</p> <p>(8: 4: 0)</p>	<p><b>Alistair Bradley (Chair)</b> <b>Paul Walmsley (Vice-Chair)</b> Christopher France Margaret France Daniel Gee Roy Lees Richard Toon Alan Whittaker</p>	<p>Henry Counce John Dalton Paul Leadbetter Mick Muncaster</p>	
<p><b>MARKET WALK STEERING GROUP</b> (7 Members)</p> <p>(4: 3: 0)</p> <p>1 x Substitute from each Group</p>	<p><b>Alistair Bradley (Chair)</b> Graham Dunn Matthew Lynch Peter Wilson</p> <p>Terry Brown</p>	<p>Alan Cullens Paul Leadbetter Mark Perks</p> <p>Debra Platt</p>	
<p><b>MEMBERS SUPPORT WORKING GROUP</b> (7 Members)</p> <p>(4: 2: 1)</p>	<p><b>Gordon France (Chair)</b> Charlie Bromilow Margaret Lees Matthew Lynch</p>	<p>Doreen Dickinson Mick Muncaster</p>	<p>Joyce Snape</p>

<b>SHARED SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE</b> (3 Members) (2: 1: 0)	<b>Alistair Bradley (Chair)</b> Alistair Morwood	Alan Cullens	
<b>CHORLEY 3 TIER LIAISON</b> The 8 Chairs of the Neighbourhood Area Meetings plus one other Councillor representing Chorley town	<b>Chairs of all 8 Neighbourhood areas - to be appointed at the first Neighbourhood Meetings of the year in June/July</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chorley Town East</li> <li>• Chorley Town West</li> <li>• Clayton &amp; Whittle</li> <li>• Eastern Parishes</li> <li>• Western Parishes</li> <li>• Euxton, Astley &amp; Buckshaw</li> <li>• South Eastern Parishes</li> <li>• Southern Parishes</li> <li>• Chorley town area - Councillor Alistair Bradley</li> </ul>		
<b>LICENSING LIAISON</b> Chair and Vice Chair of Licensing & Public Services Committee	Roy Lees Anthony Gee		
<b>FUTURE GOVERNANCE VIABILITY WORKING GROUP</b> (9 Members)  (5: 2: 1)	<b>Alistair Bradley (Chair)</b> Adrian Lowe Kim Snape Richard Toon Peter Wilson		
<b>TOWN TEAM</b> (4 Members including Executive Member for Resources – plus County Councillors)  (3: 1: 0)	<b>Danny Gee (Chair)</b> Matthew Lynch Peter Wilson	Alan Cullens	
<b>CHORLEY PUBLIC SERVICES REFORM BOARD</b> <b>(2 representatives)</b>  (1:1)	Alistair Bradley Hasina Khan (Observer)	Mark Perks	

The following SHADOW CABINET APPOINTMENTS were noted.

**Leader of the Opposition & Economic Development & Partnerships** – Councillor Mark Perks

**Deputy Leader of the Opposition and Public and Protection** – Councillor Paul Leadbetter

**Resources** – Councillor Alan Cullens



**Community Services** – Councillor Debra Platt  
**Streetscene Services** – Councillor Eric Bell  
**Customer and Advice Services** - Councillor Greg Morgan

#### 15.C.242 Appointments to Outside Bodies for 2015/16

A schedule of nominations for the appointment of Council representatives on outside bodies for the forthcoming Council year was circulated, with an amendment proposed at the meeting to replace Councillor Alan Whittaker with Councillor Steve Murfitt on the CCH Board.

The Executive Leader proposed, the Executive Member for Resources seconded and it was **RESOLVED – that the following appointments (as amended) be approved for 2015/16:**

No	NAME OF BODY	No.	REPRESENTATIVES	EXPIRY DATE
1.	Adlington Community Association	2	Councillor June Molyneaux and Mrs Florence Molyneaux (Labour Nominee)	May 2016
2.	Armed Forces Champion (Preston, Chorley and South Ribble CVS)	1	Councillor Aaron Beaver	May 2016
3.	Brindle Village Hall Management Committee (Observer position)	1	Councillor David Dickinson	May 2016
4.	Chorley and District Neighbourhood Watch Association	1	Executive Member for Public Protection - Councillor Paul Walmsley	May 2016
5.	Chorley and District Sports Forum	2	Executive Member for Community Services - Councillor Beverley Murray and Councillor John Walker	May 2016
6.	Chorley and South Ribble Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee	1	Councillor Gordon France	May 2016
7.	Chorley and South Ribble Disability Forum	1	Councillor Hasina Khan	May 2016
8.	Chorley and South Ribble Shopmobility	1	Councillor June Molyneaux	May 2016
9.	Chorley Churches Together	1	Councillor Jean Cronshaw	May 2016
10.	Chorley Community Housing Board	2	Councillors Graham Dunn and Steve Murfitt	May 2016

11.	Chorley Consolidated Charity and Chorley Relief Fund	3	Councillor Anthony Gee (Appointed May 2015) Councillor Jean Cronshaw (Appointed May 2015) Councillor Doreen Dickinson (Appointed July 2011) (NB Appointments are for a 5 year period and cannot be changed mid-period)	May 2020 May 2020 May 2016
12.	Chorley Local Children's Trust	1	Councillor Mark Jarnell	May 2016
13.	Chorley Women's Centre	1	Councillor Julia Berry	May 2016
14.	Clayton-le-Woods Community Centre Management Committee	1	David Rogerson (Labour Nominee)	May 2016
15.	Council for Voluntary Service Central Lancashire	1	Councillor Jean Cronshaw	May 2016
16.	Cuerden Valley Trust	1	Councillor Charlie Bromilow	May 2016
17.	District Councils' Network	1	Executive Leader - Councillor Alistair Bradley	May 2016
18.	Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee	2	Councillors Chris France and Gordon France	May 2016
19.	Heskin Village Hall Management Committee	1	Councillor Paul Leadbetter	May 2016
20.	Hoghton Village Hall Management Committee	1	Councillor David Dickinson	May 2016
21.	Home-Start Chorley and South Ribble	1	Councillor Margaret Lees	May 2016
22.	Lancashire County Council Adult Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee (Co-opted member)	1	Councillor Hasina Khan (Substitute Member - Councillor Jean Cronshaw)	May 2016
23.	Lancashire County Council Pension Fund Committee (representing district councils)	1	Chair of Governance Committee - Councillor Paul Leadbetter	May 2016
24.	Lancashire Neighbourhood Watch Forum	1	Councillor Jean Cronshaw	May 2016
25.	Lancashire Police and Crime Panel	1	Executive Leader - Councillor Alistair Bradley (Substitute,	May 2016

			Deputy Executive Leader - Councillor Peter Wilson)	
26.	Lancashire Tourism Forum	1	Councillor Daniel Gee (Substitute Member Councillor Julia Berry)	May 2016
27.	Lancashire Waste Partnership	1	Executive Member for Streetscene Services - Councillor Adrian Lowe	May 2016
28.	Local Development Framework Joint Advisory Committee	3	Executive Leader – Councillor Alistair Bradley and Councillors Paul Walmsley and Mick Muncaster (Substitute Councillors Roy Lees, Chris France and Paul Leadbetter)	May 2016
29.	Local Government Association General Assembly and associated groups	2	Executive Leader - Councillor Alistair Bradley and Deputy Executive Leader - Councillor Peter Wilson	May 2016
30.	Local Government Association Lancashire Branch	3	Executive Leader - Councillor Alistair Bradley, Deputy Executive Leader - Councillor Peter Wilson and Leader of the Opposition - Councillor Mark Perks	May 2016
31.	Mawdesley Millennium Trust	1	Councillor Martin Boardman	May 2016
32.	Mawdesley Village Hall Management Committee	1	Councillor Keith Iddon	May 2016
33.	North Western Local Authorities' Employers Organisation	1	Executive Member for Resources - Councillor Peter Wilson  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 shall not be appointed as an Employers' representative (or substitute representative) on the Employers' Organisation. (Rule 5(d))	May 2016

34.	PATROL Adjudication and Bus Lane Adjudication Joint Committee Service	1	Executive Member for Streetscene Services - Councillor Adrian Lowe	May 2016
35.	Preston Domestic Violence Services – Management Committee	1	Councillor Margaret France	May 2016
36.	Preston and Western Lancashire Racial Equality Council	1	Councillor Paul Clark	May 2016
37.	Rivington and Brinscall Advisory Group	3	Councillors Chris France, Margaret France and Kim Snape	May 2016
38.	Rivington Heritage Trust	1	Councillor Kim Snape	May 2016
39.	Runshaw College Community Liaison Group	4	Councillors Hasina Khan, Danny Gee, Alistair Morwood and Sarah Kiley (Conservative nominee)	May 2016
40.	Runshaw Quarry – Liaison Group Meetings	2 (one each Euxton Wards)	Councillor Danny Gee (Euxton North Ward) and Councillor Mark Jarnell (Euxton South Ward)	May 2016
41.	Rural Services Network	1	Councillor Alan Whittaker	May 2016
42.	Safer Chorley and South Ribble Partnership (Responsible Authorities Group) – Annual Conference	1	Executive Member for Public Protection - Councillor Paul Walmsley	May 2016
43.	The North West of England and the Isle of Man Reserved Forces and Cadets Association	1	Councillor Aaron Beaver	May 2016
44.	West Pennine Moors Area Management Committee	2	Councillors Gordon France and Kim Snape	May 2016

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

- Chorley & District Choral Society
- Chorley Athletic Club
- Chorley Civic Society
- Chorley Consolidated Charity and Chorley Relief Fund
- Royal British Legion
- St Catherine's Hospice
- St Johns Ambulance Association

### **15.C.243 Programme of Council Meetings for 2015/16**

The Executive Leader proposed and the Executive Member for Resources seconded, and it was **RESOLVED – that the Council Meetings in 2015/16 take place as follows:**

**6 June 2015 (Special meeting to award Freedom of the Borough)**  
**21 July 2015**  
**22 September 2015**  
**24 November 2015 (Policy Council)**  
**19 January 2016**  
**1 March 2016 (Budget Council)**  
**12 April 2016**

### **15.C.244 Exclusion of the Public and Press**

**RESOLVED – that the press and public be excluded from the following two items of business on the grounds that it is likely that exempt information will be disclosed as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act.**

### **15.C.245 Approval to progress the Fleet Street Extra Care Scheme**

Councillor Graham Dunn, Executive Member for Resources presented an update on the corporate project to develop a business case for an extra care scheme on Fleet Street, including the architect and site survey work and findings of the financial viability modelling.

Members considered a detailed report of the Director of Customer and Advice Services which sought approval to proceed with the project including the selection of one of four alternative design options and their associated capital costs. The timescale for the project had been brought forward to enable a bid to be made to a recently announced Care and Specialised Housing Fund from the Homes and Communities Agency. Fund criteria included older persons extra care, physical or learning disabilities and those with dementia.

The report indicated a preference for design Option 3 and recommended a financial model with proposals for working with Lancashire County Council on the scheme which was subject to their approval.

All political party leaders spoke in support of the Extra Care Scheme which would be a flagship scheme for the Council and could make a real difference for local residents.

Councillor Graham Dunn, Executive Member for Customer and Advice Services proposed, Councillor Peter Wilson, Executive Member for Resources seconded and it was **RESOLVED -**

- 1. The Council approves in principle to proceeding with the development of the Fleet Street Extra Care scheme with a view to managing it and retaining it as a long term asset, as a Registered Provider of Social Housing in its own right, on the basis that it enables the implementation of the Lancashire Extra Care Strategy in**

**Chorley. (It should aim to be no less than cost neutral and strive for full occupancy to generate a contribution circa. £ 150,000 per annum towards the Medium Term Financial Strategy with effect from its completion and occupation, assumed to be from 2018/19).**

- 2. The Council approves the selected Option 3, estimated at a capital cost of £9,110,350, as the preferred scheme design on the basis that it best meets the strategic objectives of the Council and our stakeholders, and is viable as a business model.**
- 3. The Council approves the proposed financial model for the development of the scheme including the allocation of £5,310,350 capital funding, financed by borrowing, based on the principle that Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) and Lancashire County Council (LCC) capital funding will also be secured.**
- 4. The Council agrees to enter into a mutually beneficial agreement with LCC in order to secure £1,850,000 capital plus long-term revenue investment in the form of a commitment by LCC to commission care and support to be delivered on site to eligible residents. Both elements being necessary for the business case to be viable. In exchange this will support LCC achieving their strategic objectives of reducing the over-use and associated costs of residential care.**
- 5. The Council notes that the DCLG and the HCA have confirmed in writing that the Council may own and manage up to 200 units of affordable housing before re-opening the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) subject to approval.**
- 6. The Council supports the submission of a bid to the HCA for Care and Specialised Housing Grant by the deadline of 29 May 2015 for £1,950,000.**
- 7. The Council support the principle of developing Fleet Street into extra care housing and in the event of the HCA bid being unsuccessful, or LCC not being willing to provide a capital contribution, officers are permitted to engage in discussions with partner RPs to explore ways of working collaboratively to deliver a scheme which is mutually beneficial.**
- 8. That should the funding from other parties outlined above be secured a further report will be brought to a future meeting of the Council in late Autumn to outline and seek approval on the next steps.**

#### **15.C.246 Approval for Contract Award for an Extension to Clayton Brook Village Hall**

The Executive Member for Resources presented a report seeking approval to the contract award for the extension at Clayton Brook Village Hall and a budget transfer in

order to meet the difference between the estimated cost of the scheme and the contract price.

Councillor Peter Wilson, Executive Member for Resources proposed, Councillor Bev Murray, Executive Member for Community Services seconded, and it was

**RESOLVED -**

- 1. To approve the award of the contract for building an extension at Clayton Brook Village to Link Contracting Services Ltd.**
- 2. The proposed budget transfer to meet the shortfall between the estimated cost of the extension and the actual contract price be approved.**

Mayor

Date