ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

17 May 2005

Present: Councillor D Gee (Mayor), Councillor Mrs M Gray (Deputy Mayor), Councillors Ball, Bell, Bedford, Birchall, Brown, Buckley, Mrs Case, Caunce, Culshaw, Davies, David Dickinson, Mrs D Dickinson, Edgerley, A Gee, Goldsworthy, T Gray, Heaton, Hoyle, M A Iddon, M Lees, R Lees, Lennox, Livesey, A Lowe, M Lowe, Malpas, McGowan, Miss Molyneaux, Morgan, Parr, Perks, Russell, Mrs I E Smith, E Smith, S Smith, Mrs J Snape, R Snape, Walker, Mrs Walsh, Whittaker, J Wilson and Mrs M Wilson.

05.C.43 APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

05.C.44 DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL/PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

No Member disclosed an interest in relation to matters under consideration at the meeting.

05.C.45 MINUTES

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 19 April 2005 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

05.C.46 RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT

The Chief Executive, as Returning Officer, reported that at the By-Election held on 5 May 2005 Councillor Gregory Ian Morgan was duly elected for the Clayton-le-Woods and Whittle-le-Woods Ward.

05.C.47 ELECTION OF MAYOR

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Case and seconded by Councillor Mrs Smith that Councillor Mrs Marie Gray be elected Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the ensuing Municipal Year.

RESOLVED - That Councillor Mrs Marie Gray be elected Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the ensuing Municipal Year.

05.C.48 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AND INTRODUCTION OF MAYOR'S CONSORT

Councillor Mrs Marie Gray signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. The Mayor introduced her husband Dennis Gray as her consort for the ensuing Municipal Year and expressed her thanks for her election as Mayor.

Present: Councillor Mrs M Gray (Mayor), Councillor Mrs M Wilson (Deputy Mayor), Councillors Ball, Bell, Bedford, Birchall, Brown, Buckley, Mrs Case, Caunce, Culshaw, Davies, David Dickinson, Mrs D Dickinson, Edgerley, A Gee, D Gee, Goldsworthy, T Gray, Heaton, Hoyle, M A Iddon, M Lees, R Lees, Lennox, Livesey, A Lowe, M Lowe, Malpas, McGowan, Miss Molyneaux, Morgan, Parr, Perks, Russell, Mrs I E Smith, E Smith, S Smith, Mrs J Snape, R Snape, Walker, Mrs Walsh, Whittaker, J Wilson.

05.C.49 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was moved by Councillor Parr and seconded by Councillor Brown that Councillor Mrs Mary Wilson be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the ensuing Municipal Year.

RESOLVED - That Councillor Mrs Mary Wilson be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the ensuing Municipal Year and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. The Mayor invested Councillor Mrs Mary Wilson with the Badge of Office and the Deputy Mayor expressed her thanks for her election.

05.C.50 PRESENTATION TO PAST MAYOR

The Mayor presented Councillor Daniel Gee with a portrait of himself in Mayoral regalia, medallion and a plaque bearing the Borough Council's Coat of Arms as a token of his year of office. Councillor Gee presented a gift and a copy of the Freedom Scroll to the Council.

Tributes were paid to Councillor Gee and his wife Brenda by the Mayor, Executive Leader, the Leaders of the Conservative and Liberal Democrat Groups and Independents as well as from Councillor Anthony Gee on behalf of his family for their services to the community during their year as Mayor and Mayoress.

05.C.51 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor reminded Members that they were invited to accompany her to Civic Mass on Sunday, 22 May at St Mary's Church commencing at 9.45am from the Council Chamber forming a parade at 10.00am down Market Street to Pall Mall and then back to St Mary's Church for Civic Mass at 10.30am.

The Mayor announced drinks in the Mayor's Parlour after Council.

05.C.52 EXECUTIVE CABINET, COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEES

A paper was circulated containing proposals for

- (a) Appointment of 10 Executive Members, including the Executive Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council to form the Executive Cabinet.
- (b) Appointment of Representative Members.
- (c) Political balance of Committees, Sub-committees and other bodies.
- (d) Chairmanship and Vice-Chairmanship of Committees/Sub-Committees and other bodies.
- (e) Membership of Committees/Sub-Committees and other bodies.

It was moved by Councillor J Wilson and seconded by Councillor Edgerley that proposals contained in the paper be approved.

Councillor Goldsworthy requested the following amendments be made to the Conservative representation.

Councillor Caunce to replace Councillor Cullens on Development Control Committee and Councillor Cullens to replace Councillor Caunce on General Purposes Committee.

The amendments were accepted.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Goldsworthy and seconded by Councillor Mrs Case that Councillor Mrs I Smith be added to the membership of the Town Centre Forum.

The amendment was put to the vote and the Mayor declared it lost.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Goldsworthy and seconded by Councillor Mrs Case that Councillor Russell be added to the membership of Park Hall/Camelot Liaison Panel.

The amendment was put to the vote and the Mayor declared it lost.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Goldsworthy and seconded by Councillor Mrs Case that Councillor Cullens be added to the membership of the Local Development Framework and Community Strategy Working Group.

The amendment was put to the vote and the Mayor declared it lost.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Goldsworthy and seconded by Councillor Mrs Case that Councillor Mrs I Smith be added to the membership of the Licensing Liaison Panel.

The amendment was put to the vote and the Mayor declared it lost.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Goldsworthy and seconded by Councillor Mrs Case that Councillor Perks be added to the membership of the Area Forum Working Group.

The amendment was put to the vote and the Mayor declared it lost.

RESOLVED - 1) That Councillor J G Wilson be appointed Executive Leader of the Council.

- 2) That Councillor Edgerley be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council.
- 3) That in addition to the Executive Leader the following be appointed Executive Members to serve on the Executive Cabinet.

Councillors Edgerley

A Lowe

Brown

Lennox

A Gee

Hoyle

D Gee

Ball

R Snape

4) That the following be appointed Representative Members.

Councillors Birchall

Parr

M Wilson

R Lees

M Lowe

T Gray

Molyneaux

Davies

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M Lees (to act in the capacity for the Executive Leader portfolio on Human Resources)

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5) That appointments be made as follows to Committees, Sub-Committees and other bodies (including Substitute Members where specified) and that Chairs and Vice Chairs be appointed as indicated:

Development Control Committee

Councillors A Lowe (Chair) Councillors T Gray

Parr (Vice-Chair) Heaton Ball Iddon **Bedford** R Lees Bell Livesey Birchall **Malpas** Brown Molyneaux Brownlee Morgan Caunce Russell Mrs Snape Culshaw **Davies** Snow **David Dickinson** S Smith Whittaker

Edgerley D Gee

Licensing and Safety Committee

Councillors R Snape (Chair) M Lees
Iddon (Vice-Chair) Lennox

Bedford McGowan
David Dickinson Mrs Smith
Mrs Dickinson E Smith
A Gee Walker
T Gray Mrs Walsh

Hoyle

Statutory Licensing Committee

Councillors R Snape (Chair) M Lees
Iddon (Vice-Chair) Lennox

Bedford McGowan
David Dickinson Mrs Smith
Mrs Dickinson E Smith
A Gee Walker
T Gray Mrs Walsh

Hoyle

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Councillors Walker (Chair)

Bell Mrs Case

Davies Goldsworthy

McGowan (Associate Chair)

Parr

Perks (Associate Chair)

Mrs Walsh (Associate Chair)

M Wilson

Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Councillors Perks (Chair)

Bedford

Birchall

Brownlee

Buckley

Culshaw

Mrs Grav

Morgan

Mrs Smith

Whittaker

Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Councillors McGowan (Chair)

Caunce

David Dickinson

T Gray

Heaton

Iddon

R Lees

M Lowe

Livesev

S Smith

Customer Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Councillors Mrs Walsh (Chair)

Cullens

Mrs Dickinson

M Lees

Malpas

Molyneaux

Russell

Snow

E Smith

Mrs J Snape

General Purposes Committee

Councillors J Wilson (Chair)

Edgerley (Vice-Chair)

Bedford

Ball

Bell

Mrs Case

Cullens

A Gee

A Lowe M Lowe McGowan Morgan Parr Russell E Smith S Smith Goldsworthy Hoyle M Lees Mrs J Snape Mrs Walsh M Wilson

Audit Committee

Councillors Lennox (Chair)

McGowan (Vice-Chair)

Ball Mrs Case Goldsworthy Russell R Snape J Wilson

Accounts Committee

Councillors J Wilson (Chair)

Edgerley (Vice-Chair)

Ball Mrs Case Goldsworthy R Snape

Site Inspection Sub-Committee

Councillors A Lowe (Chair)

R Parr (Vice-Chair)

Ball Bedford Culshaw

David Dickinson

T Gray Heaton Iddon Molyneaux

Standards Committee

Councillors Edgerley (Vice-Chair)

Bedford McGowan Mrs Walsh

Parish Council Member

Mrs Joan Geddes

Non-Council Members

Mr R A Ellwood (Chair)

Dr J Cree

Housing Appeals Committee

Councillors Lennox (Chair)

Ball Culshaw Mrs Gray R Lees Mrs Snape

JNC Investigatory Committee

Councillors Edgerley (Chair)

Lennox (Vice-Chair)

Mrs Case Mrs Gray Mrs Walsh

JNC (Appeals) Committee

Councillors M Wilson (Chair)

D Gee (Vice-Chair)

Malpas Russell R Snape

Special Committee for the Chief Executive's Appointment

Councillors J Wilson (Chair)

Ball Mrs Case Edgerley

Goldsworthy

Hoyle R Snape

Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee A

Councillors R Snape (Chair)

M Lees Mrs Smith

Reserves

Councillors Mrs Walsh

E Smith T Gray Bedford

Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee B

Councillors Iddon (Vice-Chair)

Mrs Dickinson

A Gee

Reserves

Councillors McGowan

David Dickinson

Lennox Walker

Town Centre Forum

Councillors A Gee (Chair)

D Gee M Lowe Malpas Perks

Park Hall/Camelot Liaison Panel

Councillors A Lowe (Chair)

R Parr (Vice-Chair)

Heaton E Smith Mrs Walsh Whittaker

Local Development Framework and Community Strategy Working Group

Councillors A Lowe (Chair)

R Parr (Vice-Chair)

Ball Bell

Birchall

Dirciian

Culshaw

Edgerley

Heaton

R Lees

Russell

R Snape

Mrs Snape

Mrs Walsh

Licensing Liaison Panel

Councillors R Snape (Chair)

Iddon

Prison Liaison Panel

Councillors Whittaker (Chair)

Caunce

Mrs Dickinson

Lennox

Iddon

(plus 2 Parish Councillors)

Member Development Steering Group

Councillors Birchall

Cullens

M Lees

R Snape

Walker

Mrs Walsh

Area Forum Working Group

(To include the Executive Member for Customers, Policy & Performance)

Councillors Ball

Birchall

Edgerley (Executive Member)

Heaton

Lennox

Livesey

R Snape

05.C.53 COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

The Council received for information and re-adoption the Council's Constitution, tabled at the meeting, which included the changes and amendments that had been agreed since it was last amended by the Council on 22 June 2004.

RESOLVED - That the Constitution be confirmed and re-adopted in the form submitted.

05.C.54 OUTSIDE BODIES

The schedule of appointments of representatives to outside bodies for the Municipal Year 2005/06 was moved by Councillor J Wilson and seconded by Councillor Edgerley.

RESOLVED - That the representation on the Outside Bodies be as listed below:

BODY	REPRESENTATIVES	DATE OF EXPIRY
Adlington Community Association	Councillor Miss J Molyneaux and Mrs Molyneaux, 36 Westhoughton Road, Adlington, Chorley, PR7 4ET (Labour nominee)	16 May 2006
Age Concern, Chorley	Councillors Mrs Walsh and Mrs Gray	16 May 2006
Local Government Association General Assembly	Executive Leader and Deputy Leader of Council	16 May 2006
Local Government Association Rural Commission	Executive Leader and Deputy Leader of Council	16 May 2006
Local Government Association Urban Commission	Executive Leader and Deputy Leader of Council	16 May 2006
Local Government Association New Towns Special Interest Group	Executive Leader and Deputy Leader of Council	16 May 2006
Local Government Association Lancashire Branch	Executive Leader, Deputy Leader of Council and Leader of the Opposition	16 May 2006
Brindle Village Hall Management Committee	Councillor David Dickinson	16 May 2006
Chorley Consolidated Charity and Chorley Relief Fund	Councillor A Gee (Appointed May 2005) J Cronshaw, 37 Brow Hey, Clayton Brook, Clayton-le-Woods, Chorley PR5 8DS (Appointed May 2001) (Labour nominee) Councillor Mrs Gray (Appointed May 2005)	May 2010 16 May 2006 May 2010
Chorley Community Centre Committee	Councillor M Lees	October 2006

Chorley Community Safety Partnership	Councillors Brown, Goldsworthy and Hoyle	16 May 2006
Chorley and South Ribble Districts CAB Management Committee	Councillor Walsh	16 May 2006
Chorley and District Sports Council Executive Committee	Executive Member for Life and Leisure and Councillor Walker	16 May 2006
Chorley and District Victim Support Scheme	Councillors R Snape and Mrs Gray	16 May 2006
Chorley Domestic Violence Forum	Councillors Brownlee and J Snape	16 May 2006
Chorley and South Ribble (MIND)	Councillor Mrs Dickinson	16 May 2006
Chorley and South Ribble Council for Voluntary Service	Councillor Perks (named substitute Councillor Mrs Dickinson)	16 May 2006
Chorley and South Ribble Crossroads Care Scheme (Trustees)	Councillor M Lees	16 May 2006
Chorley and South Ribble Disability Forum	Councillor D Gee	16 May 2006
Chorley and South Ribble Shopmobility	Councillor Hoyle	16 May 2006
Chorley Women's Centre	Councillors Mrs Dickinson	16 May 2006
Chorley Environmental Forum	Executive Member and Representative Member for Environment and Community Safety	16 May 2006
Chorley Partnership Board of Directors	The Deputy Leader of Council and Chief Executive	16 May 2006
Clayton-le-Woods Community Centre Management Committee	Councillor Brownlee	16 May 2006
Confederation of Burial Authorities	Executive Member for Life and Leisure and the Cemeteries Registrar	16 May 2006
Court of Lancaster University	Mr Clive Yates, 34 Crook Street, Chorley, PR7 2LX (Labour Nominee)	1 August 2003 to 31 July 2006
Cuerden Valley Trust	Councillor Bedford	16 May 2006
District Liaison Committee for Education	Councillors A Gee, Birchall, S Smith, Russell and M Iddon	16 May 2006
Day Centre Committee for the Bankside Day Centre, Weldbank Lane, Chorley	Councillor A Gee	16 May 2006
District Liaison Committee for Social Services	Councillors Birchall, Lennox, Mrs Case and Mrs Walsh	16 May 2006
District Youth and Community Services and Connexions Advisory Committee	Councillors Molyneaux and Ball	16 May 2006

Eccleston Maintained Youth Centre Management Committee	Jillian Hatch, 180a The Green, Eccleston, PR7 5SU (Labour Nominee) and Councillor Caunce	May 2004-May 2007 May 2005-May 2008
Eccleston Millennium Green Trust	Jillian Hatch, 180A The Green, Eccleston, PR7 5SU (Labour Nominee)	16 May 2006
Educational Water Sports Committee	Executive Member for Life and Leisure	16 May 2006
Groundwork Wigan and Chorley	Councillor D Gee	16 May 2006
Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee	Councillors S Smith and Mrs Smith	16 May 2006
Heskin Village Hall Management Committee	Councillor Whittaker	16 May 2006
Hoghton Village Hall Management Committee	Councillor David Dickinson	16 May 2006
Home-Start Chorley and South Ribble	Councillor Hoyle	16 May 2006
Lancashire College, Chorley	Mr B Hodson, 12 Somerset Avenue, Chorley PR7 1RD (Labour nominee)	1 October 2003 30 September 2006
Lancashire County Council's Health Equalities Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Mrs Walsh Associate Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Substitute members Councillors McGowan and M Lowe)	16 May 2006
Lancashire Neighbourhood Watch Association	Councillor Davies	16 May 2006
Lancashire Police Authority Partnerships Forum	Councillor Brown	16 May 2006
Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS – Governing Council: Partner Organisation	Councillor Mrs C Hoyle	16 May 2006
Lancashire Tourism Partnership	Councillor Hoyle	16 May 2006
Lancashire Valuation and Community Charge Tribunal	Mr Jon Davies, 3 Gillcroft, Eccleston, Chorley (Labour nominee) Mrs F Edgerley, 11 Shaftesbury Place, Chorley, PR7 1LS (Labour nominee) Councillor Bell Dr A Miller 95 Heapey Road, Chorley (Labour nominee)	March 2009 March 2009 March 2006 March 2006
Lever Park Joint Working Group	Councillors Mrs Case and Davies	16 May 2006
Local Government Information Unit Management Committee	Executive Leader and Deputy Leader of Council	16 May 2006
Local Policing Board for Chorley	Councillors Mrs Case and D Gee	16 May 2006
Markets Appeals Panel	Chair and Vice Chair of Markets Liaison Panel and Councillor Malpas plus 2 Market Traders	16 May 2006
Mawdesley Millennium Trust	Councillor Whittaker	16 May 2006

Mawdesley Village Hall Management Committee	Councillor Culshaw		16 May 2006
Millennium Committee	Executive Member for Life and Leisure		16 May 2006
National Society for Clean Air	Executive Member for Environment and Community Safety and Head of Environmental Services (Substitute Representative Member for Environment and Community Safety)		16 May 2006
NHS Modernisation Board for Central Lancashire Health Community	Executive Member for Life and Leisure and Head of Leisure and Cultural Services		16 May 2006
North West Sports Board	Executive Member for Life and Leisure (Substitute Representative Member for Life and Leisure)		16 May 2006
North Western Local Authorities' Employers Organisation	* Executive Member for Capacity and Resources (Substitute Representative Member for Capacity and Resources)		16 May 2006
North West Regional Assembly		Executive Leader	16 May 2006
North West Tourist Board		Councillor Hoyle	16 May 2006
Preston and Western Lancashire Ra Equality Council	acial	Councillor Snow	16 May 2006
Police Authority Community Meeting		Councillors Miss J Molyneaux, R Lees, Goldsworthy, Ball, Brownlee and R Snape	16 May 2006
Rivington Heritage Trust		Councillor Mrs Case	16 May 2006
Rivington Recreational Management Zone Advisory Committee		Councillor Davies (plus the Council's representatives on West Pennine Moors AMC – Councillors Case and Birchall)	16 May 2006
Runshaw College Community Liaison Group		Councillors Lennox (Chairman) and D Gee (Vice-Chairman) Birchall and Russell	16 May 2006
St John Ambulance Association	St John Ambulance Association		16 May 2006
Southern Area Board of the Lancash Highways Partnership	nire	Councillor D Gee	16 May 2006
The North West of England and the Isle of Man Reserved Forces and Cadets Association		Councillor McGowan	March 2006
Waste Management Strategy Group		Executive Member for Environment and Community Safety	16 May 2006
West Pennine Moors Area Management Committee		Councillors Case and Birchall (Named substitute Councillors Davies and Mrs Gray)	16 May 2006

All Saints CE Primary School	Councillor R Lees	14 May 2001 - 31 August 2006
Chorley Gillibrand Primary School	Councillor R Snape	14 May 2002 - 31 August 2006
Sacred Heart RC Primary School	Councillor Brown	1 September 2001 - 31 August 2006
St Georges CE Primary School	Mr Robert Collinson, 3 Belvedere Road, Chorley, PR7 1LY (Conservative nominee)	14 December 1999 – 31 August 2006
St Gregory's RC Primary School	Mr P Lowe, 19a Jackson Street, Chorley PR7 3DZ (Labour nominee)	14 May 2001 – 31 August 2006
St Mary's RC Primary School	Mrs V Bradley, 84 Hamilton Road, Chorley, PR7 2TJ (Labour Nominee)	14 May 2001 – 31 August 2006
St James' CE Primary School	Councillor M Wilson	1 September 2001 – 31 August 2006
St Joseph's RC School	Kevin Scallon, 40 Park Road, Chorley, PR7 1QU (Labour nominee)	14 May 2001 – 31 August 2006
St Peters CE School, Chorley	Councillor R Parr	March 2001 - 31 August 2006

05.C.55 MEMBERS ALLOWANCE SCHEME

The Chief Executive submitted a report making appropriate amendments to the existing Members' Allowances Scheme so as to increase the existing amounts of the allowances by a percentage to cover annual inflation.

RESOLVED - That the Members' Allowances Scheme as amended be approved.

05.C.56 TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS

The timetable of meetings for the forthcoming Municipal Year was moved by Councillor J Wilson and seconded by Councillor Edgerley, subject to Development Control Committee replacing Council on the 28 February 2006 and Council replacing Development Control Committee on 7 March 2006.

RESOLVED - That the timetable of meetings for May 2005 to May 2006 as amended be approved.

05.C.57 BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE PLAN 2005/06

The Executive Member for Customers, Policy and Performance presented a report which was attached a copy of the Best Value Performance Plan for 2005/06.

The Council was required, under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1999, to publish a Best Value Performance Plan annually by 30 June each year.

RESOLVED - That the Best Value Performance Plan for 2005/06 as now presented be approved for publication on 30 June 2005.

05.C.58 COMMUNITY STRATEGY 2005/2006

The Mayor indicated that the report of the Head of Corporate and Policy Services had been withdrawn.

Mayor