### **Annual Council**

### Tuesday, 3 June 2014

Present: Councillor John Walker (Mayor), Councillor Roy Lees (Deputy Mayor) and Councillors Roy Lees, Eric Bell, Julia Berry, Alistair Bradley, Charlie Bromilow, Terry Brown, Henry Caunce, Jean Cronshaw, Matthew Crow, John Dalton, David Dickinson, Doreen Dickinson. Graham Dunn, Gordon France, Margaret France, Anthony Gee, Danny Gee, Peter Goldsworthy, Keith Iddon, Mike Handlev. Mark Jarnell, Kevin Joyce, Hasina Khan, Paul Leadbetter. Adrian Lowe, Marion Lowe, Matthew Lynch, June Molyneaux, Greg Morgan, Mick Muncaster, Steve Murfitt, Beverley Murray, Mark Perks, Dave Rogerson, Joyce Snape, Kim Snape, Ralph Snape, Paul Walmsley, Alan Whittaker and Peter Wilson

#### Also in attendance

**Officer:** Gary Hall (Chief Executive), Lesley-Ann Fenton (Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy), Jamie Carson (Director of People and Places), Chris Moister (Head of Governance) and Carol Russell (Democratic Services Manager)

### 14.C.138 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Mayor, Councillor John Walker welcomed all Councillors, in particular those newly elected to the Council, to the Annual Meeting.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors R Finnamore, C France, S Holgate, A Morwood, P Phipps and R Toon.

## 14.C.139 MINUTES OF THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 1 APRIL 2014

RESOLVED – that's the minutes of the last Council meeting held on 1 April 2014 be confirmed as a correct record for signature by the Mayor.

#### 14.C.140 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest received.

### 14.C.141 RETURNING OFFICERS REPORT

Members received a report of the Returning Officer formally reporting that at the Local Elections held on 22 May 2014, the following Councillors had been elected:

#### Wards

Adlington and Anderton – Graham Dunn

Astley and Buckshaw – Matthew Lynch

Chorley East – Hasina Khan

Chorley North East - Alistair Morwood

Chorley North West - Ralph Snape

Chorley South East - Bev Murray

Chorley South West - Roy Lees

Chisnall – Alan Whittaker

Clayton le Woods North - Charlie Bromilow

Clayton le Woods West and Cuerden – Mick Muncaster

Clayton le Woods and Whittle le Woods – Eric Bell Coppull – Richard Toon Eccleston and Mawdesley – Keith Iddon Euxton North – Mike Handley Euxton South – Mark Jarnell Pennine – Gordon France Wheelton and Withnell – Margaret France

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

#### 14.C.142 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2014/15

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

RESOLVED – that Councillor Roy Lees be elected as Mayor of the Borough of Chorley for the forthcoming Council year.

Councillor Roy Lees in the Chair

The Mayor signed the declaration of acceptance of office and thanked all present for his election to the office of Mayor. He informed Members that he would be undertaking fundraising activities throughout his Mayoral year in support of St Catherine's Hospice, Home-Start and Help the Homeless. He introduced his wife Mrs Margaret Lees as his Mayoress for the year.

### 14.C.143 ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2014/15

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

RESOLVED – That Councillor Marion Lowe 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 her husband Councillor Adrian Lowe, as her Deputy Consort for 2104/15.

### 14.C.144 PRESENTATION AND VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR

The Mayor presented the Retiring Mayor, Councillor John Walker 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 Marie Walker was presented with a past Mayoress's badge of office.

Political group leaders and ward colleagues paid tribute to Councillor Walker as an excellent ambassador for Chorley during his Mayoral Year and also to the fundraising activities John and Marie Walker had undertaken on behalf of their chosen charities which had raised over £13,000.

Councillor John Walker responded, saying he had been proud to serve as Mayor of the Borough, it had been a privilege and extremely enjoyable. He thanked

Members and the Mayoral staff for their support and Reverend Cox for serving as his chaplain. He also thanked his wife, Marie for serving alongside him as Mayoress. He presented to the Council, a framed painting of scenes from Yarrow Valley by a local artist.

# 14.C.145 EXECUTIVE LEADER APPOINTMENTS TO THE EXECUTIVE CABINET FOR 2014/15

Councillor Alistair Bradley, Executive Leader informed the Council of his appointments to the Executive Cabinet for 2014/15 including a change to the content and title of portfolios and also a change to the portfolio support roles from Portfolio Champions, to Member Responsible and Council Champion positions.

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

Portfolio	Appointment
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS Lead Director: Gary Hall Economic Development Business Development Partnerships and Public Sector Reform to include, health and wellbeing; children and young people; older people; and equality and diversity Strategic Planning to include LDF and Planning Policy	Councillor A Bradley
RESOURCES Lead Director: Gary Hall HR and OD Democratic and Member Services Asset Management (including Market Walk) Town Centre Management and Strategic Development Property Management Legal Finance and Assurance Services Procurement Corporate Policy Communications and Campaigns	Councillor P Wilson
COMMUNITY SERVICES Lead Director: Jamie Carson Community Centre Management Community Development Neighbourhood Working Volunteering and VCFS Parks and Open Spaces Astley Hall and Cultural Assets	Councillor B Murray
PUBLIC PROTECTION Lead Director: Jamie Carson Development Control Building Control	Councillor P Walmsley

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Environmental Health	
Licensing	
Community Safety	
STREETSCENE SERVICES	
Lead Director: Jamie Carson	Councillor
Street Cleansing	A Lowe
Grounds Maintenance	7. 20.10
Waste Collection Services	
Streetscene Improvements	
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CUSTOMER AND ADVICE SERVICES	
Lead Director: Lesley-Ann	
ICT	Councillor
Customer Services (including revenues and benefits, transactional services and front-facing customer services)	Councillor G Dunn
HIA	G Dulin
Housing Options and Advice	
Supported Housing	
Welfare Reform	
Member Responsible for :	Councillor
Business and Economic Development	T Brown
Health and Wellbeing	H Khan
Housing	S Holgate
Town Centre	D Gee
Community Development	S Murfitt
Enforcement and Adoptions	K Snape
Property and Asset Management	R Finnamore
Council Champion for :	Councillor
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Democratic and Member Services	J Molyneaux
Older People	J Cronshaw
Rural Communities	
	l A Whittaker
Community Safety and Clean Streets	A Whittaker J Berry

**RESOLVED – that the Executive Leaders appointments for 2104/15 be noted.** 

# 14.C.146 CONSEQUENTIAL CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL'S MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE PORTFOLIOS CHANGES

The Chief Executive submitted a report seeking approval to changes in the Council's management structure to reflect the realigned executive portfolios and as a consequence to agree changes to the proper officer and delegated authority provisions within the Council's Constitution.

The report listed the new areas of business and titles of the revised executive portfolios and appended a proposed management structure which, in summary:

- Moved the economic development section under the management of the Chief Executive;
- Revised the job title of the existing Director of People and Places to become the Director of Public Protection, Streetscene and Community and in doing so, also take on management of the planning section; and
- Revised the job title of the existing Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy to become the Director of Customer and Advice Services undertaking the management of the customer and ICT services for the Council plus the housing section.

Information was circulated at the meeting indicating that those affected, would be subject to a 5 working day consultation period to allow them to comment on the proposed changes.

Councillor Greg Morgan expressed concern at the range of changes being proposed and asked how they would contribute to the increased efficiency of the organisation. In response, the Executive Leader referred to the need to focus the Council's limited resources on Council priorities and he believed this structure would enable this to take place more effectively.

The Executive Leader, Councillor Alistair Bradley proposed and Councillor Peter Wilson, Executive Member for Resources seconded and it was **RESOLVED** –

- 1. That the proposed changes to the management structure outlined in the report be approved for consultation with the officers directly affected, namely the Director of People and Places, the Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy, the Heads of Planning, Economic Development and ICT and Transactional Services. The consultation period to commence on 4 June and end on 11 June 2104.
- 2. Subject to there being no objections to the proposals, the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer to make the necessary consequential changes to the Constitution which will be deemed to be adopted from 11 June 2104. Any sustainable objection received would be considered by the General Purposes Committee.

### 14.C.147 CHANGES TO PARTNERSHIP WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

Members considered a report of the Chief Executive on proposed changes to partnership working through the Chorley Partnership Executive and the Equality Forum.

The Chorley Partnership Executive had reviewed their structure and governance arrangements and proposed that they become the Chorley Public Services Reform Board with the redefined purpose of "working together to ensure high quality public services with the best outcomes and value for residents and providing better coordinated and integrated services which are intelligence led."

The Equality Forum arrangements had also been reviewed with the intention of adding greater value and input from the wider community and introducing closer working with the Chorley VCFS Network.

The Executive Leader proposed and the Executive Member for Resources seconded and it was **RESOLVED** –

- 1. That the Chorley Partnership Executive be deleted in its current form and replaced with a Chorley Public Services Reform Board with the Executive Leader of the Council and an Opposition Member being appointed to the Board.
- 2. That the changes be agreed to the Equality Forum with a view to introducing closer working with the Chorley VCFS Network.

## 14.C.148 APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, PANELS AND WORKING GROUPS AND OTHER POSITIONS FOR 2014/15

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 **2014/15**:

COMMITTEES	LABOUR GROUP	CONSERVATIVE GROUP	IND GROUP
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (14 Members) (10:4:0)  Overview and Scrutiny Performance Panel (6 Members 4:2:0)	J Molyneaux (Vice Chair) J Berry C Bromilow R Finnamore M France M Handley M Jarnell M Lynch A Morwood K Snape  J Molyneaux (Vice Chair) J Berry M Jarnell A Morwood	M Perks (Chair) E Bell Doreen Dickinson J Walker  M Perks (Chair) J Walker	
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE (15 Members) (11: 4: 0)	M Crow (Chair) D Rogerson (Vice Chair) C Bromilow J Cronshaw C France D Gee J Molyneaux A Morwood R Toon P Walmsley	H Caunce David Dickinson K Iddon M Muncaster	

2 x Substitute Members per group	A Whittaker R Finnamore M Handley	J Dalton M Perks	
LICENSING AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (17 Members) (11 : 5: 1)	M Lowe (Chair) A Gee (Vice Chair) G France M France M Handley M Jarnell H Khan A Lowe M Lynch S Murfitt P Phipps J Cronshaw and S	David Dickinson Doreen Dickinson K Iddon M Muncaster J Walker	R Snape
GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (17 Members) (11: 5: 1)	J Berry (Chair) D Gee (Vice Chair) J Cronshaw M Crow M France G France H Khan A Lowe M Lynch J Molyneaux B Murray	E Bell J Dalton P Goldsworthy P Leadbetter G Morgan	R Snape
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (8 Members) (5: 3: 0)	J Berry M France A Gee M Lynch J Molyneaux	P Leadbetter (Chair) P Goldsworthy (Vice Chair) H Caunce	
APPOINTMENTS PANEL (9 Members) (6: 2: 1)	A Bradley (Chair) G Dunn A Lowe A Morwood S Murfitt P Wilson  Plus relevant portfolio holder	P Leadbetter G Morgan	R Snape
CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW PANEL (5 Members) (3: 2: 0)	A Bradley (Chair) T Brown P Wilson	P Leadbetter G Morgan	

HUMAN RESOURCES APPEALS COMMITTEE (Panels taken from 9 Members) (6: 3: 0)	M Lowe (Chair) G Dunn A Gee G France B Murray P Phipps	J Dalton M Muncaster J Walker	
EQUALITY FORUM (4 Members) (3: 1: 0)	H Khan (Chair) C Bromilow J Cronshaw	to be appointed	
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK WORKING GROUP (12 Members) (8: 4: 0)	A Bradley (Chair) P Walmsley (Vice Chair) M Crow R Finnamore M France D Gee D Rogerson R Toon	H Caunce J Dalton P Goldsworthy K Iddon	
MARKET WALK STEERING GROUP (7 Members) (4: 3: 0)	A Bradley (Chair) G Dunn M Lynch P Wilson	P Leadbetter G Morgan to be appointed	
1 x Substitute from each Group	T. Brown	K Joyce	
MEMBERS SUPPORT WORKING GROUP (7 Members) (4: 2: 1)	J Molyneaux (Chair) D Rogerson (Vice Chair) M Lynch M Handley	Doreen Dickinson M Muncaster	J Snape
SHARED SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE (3 Members) (2: 1: 0)	A Bradley M Jarnell	P Leadbetter	
CHORLEY 3 TIER LIAISON	Current Chairs are:		
The 8 Chairs of the Neighbourhood Area Meetings	<ul> <li>Chorley Town East – M Lowe</li> <li>Chorley Town West – P Phipps</li> <li>Clayton &amp; Whittle – E Bell</li> <li>Eastern Parishes –</li> <li>Western Parishes – Doreen Dickinson</li> <li>Euxton, Astley &amp; Buckshaw –</li> <li>South Eastern Parishes – J Molyneaux</li> </ul>		

	Southern Parishes –				
plus one other Councillor representing Chorley town	Please note that some changes to the Chairs of Neighbourhood Meetings will take place during the June/July cycle of neighbourhood meetings. It is proposed therefore that the Executive Leader and Leader of the Opposition agree in advance any positions which need to be determined before the first meeting of the Chorley 3 Tier Liaison on 16 July 2014.				
LICENSING LIAISON (2 Members) Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee	M Lowe (Chair) A Gee (Vice Chair)				
TOWN TEAM (4 Members – plus County Councillors) (3:1:0)	Executive Member (Resources) D Gee M Lynch	P Leadbetter			
CHORLEY PUBLIC SERVICES REFORM BOARD (2 representatives) (1:1:0)	Executive Leader H Khan (observer role)	P Leadbetter			

### **SHADOW CABINET APPOINTMENTS**

Leader of the Opposition Economic Development and Partnerships	G Morgan
Deputy Leader of the Opposition Resources	P Leadbetter
Community Services	E Bell
Streetscene Services	E Bell
Public Protection	K Iddon
Customer and Advice Services	J Walker

### 14.C.149 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES FOR 2014/15

A schedule of nominations for the appointment of Council representatives on outside bodies for the forthcoming Council year was circulated.

The Executive Leader proposed, the Executive Member for Resources seconded and it was RESOLVED – that the following appointments be approved for 2104/15:

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 2015
2.	Armed Forces Champion (Preston, Chorley and South Ribble CVS)	1	Executive Member for Community Services - Councillor Beverley Murray	May 2015
3.	Brindle Village Hall Management Committee (Observer position)	1	Councillor David Dickinson	May 2015
4.	Chorley and District Neighbourhood Watch Association	1	Executive Member for Public Protection - Councillor Paul Walmsley	May 2015
5.	Chorley and District Sports Forum	2	Executive Member for Community Services - Councillor Beverley and Councillor Mick Muncaster	May 2015
6.	Chorley and South Ribble Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee	1	Councillor Matthew Crow	May 2015
7.	Chorley and South Ribble Disability Forum	1	Councillor Hasina Khan	May 2015
8.	Chorley and South Ribble Shopmobility	1	Councillor June Molyneaux	May 2015
9.	Chorley Churches Together	1	Councillor Jean Cronshaw	May 2015
10.	Chorley Community Housing Board	2	Councillors Graham Dunn and Steve Holgate	May 2015
11.	Chorley Consolidated Charity and Chorley Relief Fund	3	Councillor Anthony Gee (Appointed May 2010) 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
12.	Chorley Local Children's Trust	1	Councillor Hasina Khan	May 2015

13.	Chorley Women's Centre	1	Councillor Julia Berry	May 2015
14.	Clayton-le-Woods Community Centre Management Committee	1	Councillor David Rogerson	May 2015
15.	Council for Voluntary Service Central Lancashire	1	Councillor Jean Cronshaw	May 2015
16.	Cuerden Valley Trust	1	Councillor David Rogerson	May 2015
17.	District Councils' Network	1	Executive Leader - Councillor Alistair Bradley	May 2015
18.	Groundwork Trust Wigan and Chorley	1	Councillor Alistair Morwood	May 2015
19.	Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee	2	Councillors Chris France and Gordon France	May 2015
20.	Heskin Village Hall Management Committee	1	Councillor Paul Leadbetter	May 2015
21.	Hoghton Village Hall Management Committee	1	Councillor David Dickinson	May 2015
22.	Home-Start Chorley and South Ribble	1	Councillor Pauline Phipps	May 2015
23.	Lancashire County Council Adult Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee (Co-opted member)	1	Councillor Julia Berry (Substitute Member - Councillor Jean Cronshaw)	May 2015
24.	Lancashire County Council Pension Fund Committee (representing district councils)	1	Chair of Governance Committee - Councillor Paul Leadbetter	May 2015
25.	Lancashire Enterprise Partnership	1	No allocation at present	
26.	Lancashire Neighbourhood Watch Forum	1	Councillor Jean Cronshaw	May 2015
27.	Lancashire Police and Crime Panel	1	Executive Leader - Councillor Alistair Bradley (Substitute, Deputy Executive Leader - Councillor Peter Wilson)	May 2015
28.	Lancashire Tourism Forum	1	Councillor Daniel Gee (Substitute Member Councillor Julia Berry)	May 2015
29.	Lancashire Waste Partnership	1	Executive Member for Streetscene Services - Councillor Adrian Lowe	May 2015
30.	Local Development Framework Joint	3	Executive Leader – Councillor Alistair Bradley and Councillors	May 2015

	Advisory Committee		Keith Iddon and Paul Walmsley (Substitute Councillors Matthew Crow, Peter Goldsworthy and David Rogerson)	
31.	Local Government Association General Assembly and associated groups	2	Executive Leader - Councillor Alistair Bradley and Deputy Executive Leader - Councillor Peter Wilson	May 2015
32.	Local Government Association Lancashire Branch	3	Executive Leader - Councillor Alistair Bradley, Deputy Executive Leader - Councillor Peter Wilson and Leader of the Opposition - Councillor Greg Morgan	May 2015
33.	Mawdesley Millennium Trust	1	Councillor Kevin Joyce	May 2015
34.	Mawdesley Village Hall Management Committee	1	Councillor Keith Iddon	May 2015
35.	North Western Local Authorities' Employers Organisation	1	Executive Member for Resources - Councillor Peter Wilson	May 2015
			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))	
36.	PATROL Adjudication and Bus Lane Adjudication Joint Committee Service	1	Executive Member for Streetscene Services - Councillor Adrian Lowe	May 2015
37.	Preston Domestic Violence Services – Management Committee	1	Councillor Margaret France	May 2015
38.	Preston and Western Lancashire Racial Equality Council	1	Councillor Charlie Bromilow	May 2015
39.	Rivington and Brinscall Advisory Group	3	Councillors Chris France, Margaret France and Kim Snape	May 2015
40.	Rivington Heritage Trust	1	Councillor Kim Snape	May 2015
41.	Runshaw College	4	Councillors Hasina Khan, Mike	May 2015

	Community Liaison Group		Handley, Alistair Morwood and Sarah Kiley (Conservative nominee)	
42.	Runshaw Quarry – Liaison Group Meetings	1	Councillor Danny Gee (Euxton North Ward) and Councillor Mark Jarnell (Euxton South Ward)	May 2015
43.	Rural Services Network	1	Councillor Alan Whittaker	May 2015
44.	Safer Chorley and South Ribble Partnership (Responsible Authorities Group) – Annual Conference	1	Executive Member for Public Protection - Councillor Paul Walmsley	May 2015
45.	The North West of England and the Isle of Man Reserved Forces and Cadets Association	1	Councillor Graham Dunn	May 2015
46.	West Pennine Moors Area Management Committee	2	Councillors Gordon France and Kim Snape	May 2015

To act in an 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 John Ambulance Association

### 14.C.150 PROGRAMME OF COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2014/15

The Executive Leader proposed and the Executive Member for Resources seconded, and it was RESOLVED – that the Council Meetings in 2104/15 take place as follows:

22 July 2014
4 September 2014 (Special Meeting)
23 September 2014
25 November 2014 (Policy Council)
13 January 2105
3 March 2105 (Budget Council)
14 April 2105

### 14.C.151 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 paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act.

# 14.C.152 CHORLEY LOCAL PLAN 2012 - 26 : GYPSY, TRAVELLER AND TRAVELLING SHOWPEOPLE PREFERRED OPTIONS, JUNE 2014

The Executive Leader presented a report on the approach the Council was taking on the selecting of a site for a preferred location of a minimum 5 pitch permanent gypsy and traveller site.

At previous meetings, Members had been advised that in order for the Local Plan to be found sound in relation to gypsy and traveller matters by the Local Plan Inspector, the Council must allocate a site for a minimum number of 5 pitches, and a number of modifications must be made to the Plan.

The report set out the following information:

- The background to the requirement to make gypsy and traveller site provision through the Local Plan Examination Hearings, the subsequent Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment and the modifications to the Local Plan then requested by the Local Plan Inspector.
- The approach the Council had taken to selecting potential sites including the factors which were required to be taken into account and a suggested 9 potential sites within the Borough. All 9 sites were in Council ownership.
- A detailed assessment of each of those 9 alternative sites including a sustainability appraisal in each case and the financial implications for the Council in developing those sites as a permanent gypsy traveller site.
- The proposed preferred site of Cowling Farm and the reasons for that selection as preferred site
- A schedule of further modifications needed to the Plan in accordance with the Inspectors suggestions
- The next stages in the process which was a public consultation process with a final decision being made at a Special Council meeting on 4 September 2104.

The Executive Leader proposed and the Executive Member for Resources seconded, and it was **RESOLVED** –

- That the 'preferred option document' appended to the report which proposed the preferred site of Cowling Farm be endorsed for the purpose of public consultation for a six week period from Wednesday 4 June to Wednesday 16 July 2014; and
- 2. That delegated authority be given to the Executive Leader to approve the following additional documents for consultation Habitats Regulations Supplement, Sustainability Appraisal Supplement, Statement of Consultation Supplement, and Duty to Co-operate Supplement.

## 14.C.153 CHORLEY COMMUNITY HOMES BOARD MEMBERSHIP: SUPPLEMENTAL DEED TO THE TRANSFER AGREEMENT

The Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy submitted a report on changes to the governance arrangements for Chorley Community Homes (CCH) and Adactus Housing Group and seeking approval to an associated Supplemental Deed to the original Transfer Agreement.

The Council transferred its housing stock to Chorley Community Housing Ltd (with Adactus Housing Group as parent company) in March 2007. The Council had recently been informed by CCH and Adactus of a review in their governance arrangements which revised the current structure and number of members on their new Board (which was an overlapped structure including CCH, Adactus Housing Association, Adactus Group and Beech Housing Association). The impact for Chorley Council was a reduction from 4 to 2 places for councillors on the Board.

In addition, the Council had used the opportunity to address a number of outstanding issues requiring formal variations to the Transfer Agreement. These included for support schemes to deal with disabled adaptations and the impact of welfare reform, and the use of VAT shelter monies held by Council.

Members were asked to approve a schedule of variations to the original transfer document to formalise agreement to these matters.

The Executive Leader proposed and the Executive Member for Resources seconded, and it was RESOLVED – that the Supplemental Deed to the CCH Transfer Agreement (attached as Appendix 1 to the report) be approved and it be noted that as a result there will be a reduction from four to two representatives the Council nominates to the Board of Chorley Community Housing.

Chair