

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the **COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **WEDNESDAY, 8th JUNE 2016** at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT **Councillor J.P. Hillary (Chairman)** and
Councillors E. Adam, M. Ashcroft, D. G. Atkinson, J. Atkinson,
P.J. Bergg, W.M. Blenkinsopp, A.M. Chandran, Mrs B.A. Clare,
J.D. Clare, J. Clark, Mrs M. Dalton, M.A. Dalton, R.S. Fleming,
G.C. Gray, I. Gray, Mrs S. Haigh, K. Henderson, Mrs I. Hewitson,
Mrs W.P. Hillary, M. Iveson, Mrs S.J. Iveson, W. Iveson, P.
Kjenstad, Mrs V. Raw, K. Robson

OFFICERS Mr A Bailey (Town Clerk)
Miss A. Donald (Town Clerk's PA)

20. **NOTICE OF MEETING**

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

21. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors N. Collinson and C.A. Wheeler.

22. **MEMBERS' DISPENSATION**

No dispensation requests had been received.

23. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor J.D. Clare confirmed his interest, as a Member of Durham County Council, in connection with agenda item number 6. Proposed Woodham Burn Development, but would remain in the meeting during any discussion thereon.

24. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no questions from members of the public.

25. **PROPOSED WOODHAM BURN DEVELOPMENT**

Representatives from Willmott Dixon, Bilfinger and GVA gave a presentation on proposals for an outline planning application for the development of 450 new homes at Woodham Burn. Members were given the opportunity to comment on the proposals and asked the representatives a number of questions.

26. **MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor J. Atkinson, seconded by Councillor M. Ashcroft and

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council on the 5th May 2016 and the Annual Meeting of the Council held on the 11th May 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

27. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor had submitted a list of appointments he had attended for the period 11th May 2016 to 8th June 2016.

RESOLVED – that the information be received.

28. **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

(a) **Environment Committee**

It was proposed by Councillor A. Chandran, seconded by Councillor Mrs M. Dalton and

RESOLVED – as follows:

- (i) That the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on the 11th May 2016 be received, and
- (ii) That the said minutes be approved and adopted.

(b) **Recreation Committee**

It was proposed by Councillor J. Atkinson, seconded by Councillor E. Adam and

RESOLVED – as follows:

- (i) That the minutes of the Recreation Committee held on the 11th May 2016 be received, and
- (ii) That the said minutes be approved and adopted.

(c) **Policy and Resources Committee**

It was proposed by Councillor R.S. Fleming, seconded by Councillor M. Iveson and

RESOLVED – as follows:-

- (i) That the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee held on the 11th May 2016 be received, and
- (ii) That the said minutes be approved and adopted.

(d) **Environment Committee**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ashcroft, seconded, by Councillor A. Chandran and

RESOLVED – as follows:

- (i) That the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on the 25th May 2016 be received, and
- (ii) That the said minutes be approved and adopted.

(e) **Recreation Committee**

It was proposed by Councillor J. Atkinson, seconded by Councillor E. Adam and

RESOLVED – as follows:

- (i) That the minutes of the Recreation Committee held on the 25th May 2016 be received, and
- (ii) That the said minutes be approved and adopted.

(f) **Policy and Resources Committee**

It was proposed by Councillor R.S. Fleming, seconded by Councillor M. Iveson and

RESOLVED – as follows:-

- (i) That the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee held on the 1st June 2016 be received, and
- (ii) That the said minutes be approved and adopted.

29. **OUTSIDE BODIES**

Verbal reports were given by representatives on the undermentioned Outside Bodies:-

- (a) Youth Council
Councillor D. G Atkinson gave a report of the meeting held on 17th May 2016.
- (b) County Durham Association of Local Councils
There had been no meeting.
- (c) Aycliffe Village Community Association
No report.
- (d) Woodham Village Community Association
Councillor K Henderson reported that all was going well.
- (e) Great Aycliffe and Middridge Local Council's Committee
Councillor R.S. Fleming advised that he had been re-elected as Chairman, Councillor B. Hall was the representative on the GAMP Board and Councillor Anne Clark was elected as representative to the CDALC Executive.
- (f) Larger Local Councils' Forum
Councillor R.S. Fleming advised that he was no longer Chairman of this group. Following a presentation at the Forum from Jason McKewon, Durham County Council, on the subject of fracking, it was recommended that Mr McKewon be invited to speak to the Environment Committee.

- (g) Newton Aycliffe Youth and Community Centre
No report.
- (h) Aycliffe and District Bus Preservation Society
Councillor I. Gray advised that the Society had attended various events, which had been well-attended.
- (i) Friends of Byerley Park Local Nature Reserve
Councillor I. Gray advised that all was going well. Some fly tipping had been removed by the Town Council.
- (j) Friends of Stockton and Darlington Railway
Councillor J. Atkinson gave a report on the most recent meeting.
- (k) Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
The Town Clerk gave a report on behalf of Councillor B. Hall. There had been a positive response to the six-week pre-submission consultation. Appropriate changes would now be made, prior to another six-week consultation carried out by the County Council.
- (l) Crime and Community Safety Task Group
Councillor M. Ashcroft gave a report on the most recent meeting.

RESOLVED – that the information given from the Representatives serving on the Outside Bodies be received.

CHAIRMAN.