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# **DISTRICT COUNCIL OF SEVENOAKS**

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Sevenoaks District Council held on 11 May 2010 commencing at 7 p.m.

Present: Cllr. Loney (Chairman)

Cllr. Orridge (Vice-Chairman)

Cllrs. Abraham, Arnold, Bosley, Mrs. Bosley, Mrs. Bracken, Brigden, Brookbank, Mrs. Broomby, Brown, Bruce, Chard, Mrs. Clark, Cole, Mrs. Cook, Cooke, Mrs. Davison, Davison, Mrs Dawson, Dean, Dibsdall, Fleming, Gaywood, Gilbert, Grint, Mrs. Hunter, Lankester, Maskell, McInnes, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Parkin, Pett, Piper, Ramsay, Ryan, Mrs. Sargeant, Scholey, Underwood, Waller, Walshe, Wigg and Williamson.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Coates, Darrington, Harrod, London, Mrs. Lowe, McGarvey, Mrs. Purves and Miss. Stack.

#### 1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

Cllr. Fleming proposed and Cllr. Mrs. Davison seconded that Cllr. Loney be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.

Resolved: That Cllr. Loney be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.

Cllr. Loney then made the declaration of acceptance of office and took the chair. The Chairman thanked the Council for his election and led the Council in expressing thanks to the outgoing Chairman, Cllr. Lankester, for his service to the Council and to the District. He presented Cllr. Lankester with a plaque of the official badge and the past Chairman's badge.

The Chairman and Cllr. Lankester then presented a past Chairman's Escort badge and a gift to Mrs. Lankester.

#### 2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

Cllr. Fleming proposed and Cllr. Mrs. Davison seconded that Cllr. Orridge be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.

Resolved: That Cllr. Orridge be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.

Cllr. Orridge then made the declaration of acceptance of office and expressed his thanks to the Council for his appointment.

The Chairman of the Council then presented the new Vice-Chairman's Escort, Mrs. Orridge, with her badge of office.

#### 3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Chairman proposed that the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2010, including the amendments contained on the late

information sheet, be approved and signed as a correct record.

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2010 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

## 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

# 5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman informed Members that he would not be appointing a Chaplain for his year in office and there would not be prayers held before the start of Council meetings. Nor would he be holding a Civic Service.

The Chairman stated that his main aim throughout the year would be to promote the District, by emphasising that it was a great place to live, work in and to visit. He stated that he would not be formally appointing an escort but would share the role between his wife and three daughters.

The Chairman informed Members that he would be reviewing the Christmas Dinner and believed that if it continued, it should be self-financing. He stated that he would be sending a survey to all Members to ask for their views on whether they wanted such an event and if so, what type of event they wanted.

#### 6. ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Cllr. Mrs. Davison proposed and Cllr. Mrs. Bracken seconded that Cllr. Fleming be elected Leader of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.

Resolved: That Cllr. Fleming be elected Leader of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.

# 7. <u>APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES</u>

Cllr. Fleming proposed and Cllr. Mrs. Davison seconded that the Membership of Committees be appointed as circulated, including the amendment on the late information sheet.

Resolved: That the membership of Committees for the ensuing municipal year be as set out in Appendix A to these minutes.

#### 8. SCHEME OF DELEGATIONS

Cllr. Fleming proposed and Cllr. Mrs. Davison seconded that the delegations to Committees and Officers be agreed and that the delegations of the Leader of the Council be noted.

Resolved:

(a) That the delegations to Committees, as set out in the Constitution, be agreed;

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- (b) that delegations to Officers, as set out in the Constitution, be confirmed; and
- (c) that the delegations of the Leader of the Council, as set out in Part 4 of the Constitution and Appendix B to these Minutes, be noted.

# 9. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2010/11

Cllr. Fleming moved and Cllr. Mrs. Davison seconded that the Calendar of Meetings for 2010/11 be agreed.

Resolved: That the Calendar of Meetings for 2010/11 be agreed.

# 10. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS

Cllr. Fleming moved and Cllr. Mrs. Davison seconded that the appointment of representatives on outside organisations for the ensuing municipal year be as set out in Appendix C.

Resolved: That the appointment of representatives on Outside Organisations for the ensuing municipal year, be as set out in Appendix C to these minutes.

# 11. OUTGOING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The report was noted.

THE MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 7.31 P.M.

Chairman

# **Committee Memberships 2010/11**

#### **ENVIRONMENT SELECT COMMITTEE**

(19 Members: 15 Conservative, 1 Labour, 3 Liberal Democrat)

Clirs. Walshe, Ryan, Abraham, Bosley, Cole, Mrs. Cook, Cooke, Dean, Dibsdall, Fodor, Grint, Lankester, London, Maskell, McInnes, Mrs. Purves, Mrs. Sargeant, Scholey and Waller.

# SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE

(19 Members: 14 Conservative, 2 Labour, 2 Liberal Democrat, 1 Independent)

Cllrs. Harrod, Davison, Abraham, Arnold, Brigden, Mrs. Broomby, Brown, Bruce, Cole, Darrington, Lankester, Mrs Moore, Mrs Morris, Mrs Parkin, Pett, Piper, Ryan, Scholey and Underwood.

#### SOCIAL AFFAIRS SELECT COMMITTEE

(19 Members: 14 Conservative, 1 Labour, 3 Liberal Democrat, 1 Independent)

Cllrs. Mrs. Cook, Wigg, Bosley, Brigden, Brookbank, Mrs. Broomby, Brown, Cooke, Darrington, Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. Lowe, Maskell, McInnes, Mrs. Moore, Orridge, Mrs. Parkin, Pett, Mrs. Purves and Waller.

#### PERFORMANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

(14 Members: 11 Conservative, 1 Labour, 2 Liberal Democrat)

Cllrs. Bruce, McGarvey, Arnold, Mrs. Cook, Davison, Fodor, Gaywood, Gilbert, Grint, Harrod, London, Mrs. Lowe, Mrs Moore and Piper.

#### MODERN LOCAL GOVERNMENT GROUP

(10 Members: 8 Conservative, 1 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat)

Cllrs. Mrs. Bracken, Bruce, Mrs. Davison, Fleming, Harrod, Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Morris, Piper, Scholey and Walshe.

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### **DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

(19 Members: 15 Conservative, 1 Labour, 3 Liberal Democrat)

Cllrs. Bosley, Mrs Dawson, Arnold, Brookbank, Mrs. Broomby, Cooke, Davison, Gaywood, Gilbert, Grint, Maskell, McGarvey, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Parkin, Piper, Ryan, Scholey, Underwood and Walshe.

### STANDARDS COMMITTEE

(6 Members + 5 independent {non-Councillor}, 5 (parish/town council representatives) Members: 4 Conservative, 1 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat)

Mrs. Bracken, Dibsdall, Harrod, Mrs. Morris, Ryan and Waller.

Independent Members: Mr. Painter, Mr. Reece, Mr. Riddell, Mr. Smith and 1 vacancy.

Town/Parish Council Representatives: Mr. Austin, Mr. Clarke, Mr. London, Mr. Taylor and Mrs. Wallach.

# APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

(10 Members: 8 Conservative, 1 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat)

Cllrs. Arnold, Bruce, Mrs. Cook, Fleming, Harrod, Walshe + 4 appropriate Portfolio Holders.

#### **ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE**

(10 Members: 8 Conservative, 1 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat)

Cllrs. Brookbank, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Davison, Fleming, Grint, Harrod, Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Lowe, Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Purves.

#### SEVENOAKS JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

(7 District Councillors, 7 local County Councillors and 1 representative from the Kent Association of Parish Councils. District Members: 5 Conservative, 1 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat)

Cllrs. Mrs. Davison, Mrs. Dawson, Dibsdall, London, Underwood, Waller and Williamson.

County Councillors: Brazier, Brookbank, Chard, Gough, Lake, London and Parry.

Kent Association of Parish Councils: Cllr. Robson

# LICENSING COMMITTEE

(15 Members: 11 Conservative, 1 Labour, 2 Liberal Democrat, 1 Independent)

Cllrs. Abraham, Brigden, Mrs. Broomby, Brown, Cooke, Darrington, Davison, Mrs. Dawson, McInnes, Orridge, Mrs. Parkin, Pett, Piper, Waller and Wigg.

# **HOMELESSNESS REVIEW BOARD**

(Membership 3: 2 Conservative and one of the following: 1 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat, 1 Independent)

The Portfolio Holder for Balanced Communities to be Chairman of the Board and the membership to be drawn from the Council.

# PORTFOLIO HOLDERS 2010/11 (Last Revised July 2009)

Cllr. Pat Bosley	Community Wellbeing	Art, Culture, Leisure, Community Development, Community Grants, Healthy Living, Young People, Older People, Community Plan, Tourism			
Cllr. Carol Clark	Housing and Balanced Communities	Housing Strategy, Needs, Homeless, Improvement Grants, Key Worker and Affordable Housing, Community Regeneration, Economic Development (shared), Sustainable development (shared), Community Plan, Climate Change			
Cllr. Jill Davison	Continuous Improvement and Strategic Planning	Performance Management, Internal Service Inspections, Data Quality Project Management, Comprehensive Area Assessment (shared), Local Strategic Partnership (shared), Local Development Framework (shared), Economic Development (shared), Sustainable development (shared), Community Plan, Conservation			
Cllr. Peter Fleming	Leader	Communications & Consultation, Residents' Panel, IT and website, Corporate Planning, Comprehensive Area Assessment (shared), Partnership Working, Local Strategic Partnership (shared), Community Plan, Corporate Governance, Customer Services & Standards, Organisational Development			
Cllr. Avril Hunter	The Cleaner and Greener Environment	Grass Cutting, Recycling, Refuse, Clean Streets, Sustainability, Minibuses, Open Spaces, Community Plan, Air Quality			
Cllr. Elaine Bracken	Safe Community	Freedom of Information, Legal and Democratic Services, Licensing, Emergency Planning, Community Safety, CCTV, Equality, Food Hygiene, Environmental Health and Regulation, Community Plan			
Cllr. Brian Ramsay	Finance and Value for Money	Audit, Budget, Payroll, Procurement Policies, Local Tax and Benefit, Risk Assessment, Property, Use of Resources, Value for Money, Annual Efficiency Statement, Community Plan, Human Resources			
Cllr. Gary Williamson	Built Environment	Development Control, Parking Management, Building Control, Highway related Issues, Flooding, Contaminated Land, Transport Policy, Planning Policy, Concessionary Fares, Local Development Framework (shared), Community Plan			

# Appendix C

# <u>APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS 2010/11 – NON-EXECUTIVE – TO BE APPROVED BY COUNCIL</u>

<u>Organisation</u>	No. of Reps	Period of Appoint- ment	Renewal Date	Appointee(s) 2010/11
Age Concern:				
Rural Age Concern Darent Valley	2	Annual	May 2011	Dr. Stephen King Mrs. F.P. Parkin
Sevenoaks & District	1	Annual	May 2011	R. F. C. Walshe
Biggin Hill Airport Consultative Committee	1	Annual	May 2011	Mrs. E.L.S. Bracken
Bough Beech Reservoir:				
Nature Reserve Management Advisory Committee	1	Annual	May 2011	G.M. Ryan
Recreation Consultative Committee	1	Annual	May 2011	P.C.R. Cooke
Citizens Advice Bureaux:				
Edenbridge & Westerham	2	Annual	May 2011	K.J. Maskell G.M. Ryan
Sevenoaks and Swanley CAB Ltd	2	Annual	May 2011	Mrs. A.D. Hunter R.E. Brookbank
Council for Voluntary Service:				
Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme Local Advisory Panel				
Dartford & Swanley	1	Annual	May 2011	Mrs. D.M. Morris
West Kent	1	Annual	May 2011	P.M. Fleming
Kemsing Downs Nature Reserve - Management Committee	1	Annual	May 2011	Mrs. E.S. Moore
Kent County Council's Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	1	Annual	May 2011	R. F. Davison
Kent County Playing Fields Association	1	Annual	May 2011	J.A. Underwood
Kent Rural Community Council – General Council	2	Annual	May 2011	B. Orridge N.J.H. Dean

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# RELATE:

West Kent & Tunbridge Wells	1	Annual	May 2011	Mrs. F.M.F. Broomby
Sevenoaks Churches Group for Social Concern	2	Annual	May 2011	R.C. Chard P.R. McGarvey
Sevenoaks Conservation Council	4	Annual	May 2011	Mrs. F.M.F. Broomby Mrs. A.E. Dawson R.L. Piper R.F.C. Walshe
Sevenoaks District Access Group	5	Annual	May 2011	A.W.L. Pett R.L. Piper Mrs. A.E. Dawson Mrs. E. A. Purves Mrs. F.P. Parkin
Sevenoaks Leisure Board of Trustees	2	Annual	May 2011	Mrs. G.P.E. Davison C. Dibsdall
Sevenoaks Volunteer Transport Group	1	Annual	May 2011	R.F. Davison
Volunteer Bureaux				
Edenbridge Volunteer Transport Service	1	Annual	May 2011	B. Orridge
Swanley District	1	Annual	May 2011	H. Darrington