# SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 16 MARCH 2011

# Present:

The Mayor, Councillor Cunio

The Sheriff. Councillor Matthews

Councillors Baillie, Ball, Barnes-Andrews, Bogle, Capozzoli, Mrs Damani, Daunt, Dean, Dick, Drake, Fitzgerald, Fitzhenry, Fuller, Furnell, Hannides, Harris, Holmes, Jones, Kolker, Letts, Marsh-Jenks, Mead, McEwing, Morrell, Moulton, Norris, Odgers, Osmond, Parnell, Payne, Rayment, Samuels, Slade, Smith, Sollitt, Stevens, Vinson, Turner, Walker, Wells, White, Willacy, P Williams and Dr R Williams

# 70. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Burke and Thomas.

# 71. MINUTES

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the minutes of the Council Meetings held on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2010 and 16<sup>th</sup> February 2011 be approved and signed as correct records.

# 72. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND LEADER

## 1. <u>Departures</u>

The Mayor announced that the following officers would be leaving the Council's employ in the coming weeks and thanked them on behalf of the Councillors for their contribution to the City:-

Rob Carr, Interim Executive Director for Resources to take up the post of Assistant County Treasurer at Hampshire County Council after a total of 24 years service to the City;

John Hounsom, Town Sergeant - retirement after 24 years of service to the City;

Keith Turner, Senior Democratic Support Officer - retirement after 27 years of service to the City;

Chief Superintendent Matthew Greening, the current Southampton OCU, would be leaving the City to take up a post at Police Headquarters.

# 2. Japan and New Zealand

The Mayor took the opportunity to express the City's concerns regarding the tragic events that had occurred in Japan and New Zealand.

The Mayor would be writing to send the City's condolences to the people of both countries.

# 3. World Book Day

The Mayor announced the success of World Book Day held on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2011 where one million books were given away in the UK and Ireland to members of the public comprising of 40,000 copies of 25 titles by 20,000 'givers'. In Southampton 70 book givers distributed 48 copies of their chosen title at various locations in the City.

# 4. Special Council

The Mayor announced that there would be a Special meeting of the Council on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at 6 00pm.

# 73. DEPUTATIONS, PETITIONS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS

- The Council received a deputation from Eloisa Gil-Arranz on behalf of the communities of Millbrook, Freemantle and Shirley regarding an application by Helius to locate a biomass 100 mega watt power station on a site adjoining Millbrook Road.
- 2. The Council noted that a petition had been received regarding the proposed dog exclusion order in respect of the Ornamental Lake and Cemetery Lake by 317 users of Southampton Common. The petition was now closed and in accordance with the Council's petition scheme had been posted on the City's web site and was reported for information.

# 74. EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The report of the Leader of the Council was submitted, setting out the details of the business undertaken by the Executive (copy of report circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

The Leader announced that Councillor Holmes had stepped down as Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Learning and that Councillor Moulton had been appointed as his replacement. Councillor Hannides had been appointed Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture.

The Leader and the Cabinet made statements and responded to Questions.

The following questions were then submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.1:

#### 1. Future Jobs Fund

Question from Councillor Bogle to Councillor Smith

How many jobs have been created in Southampton by the Future Jobs Fund since its inception?

# Answer:

300 jobs have been created in Southampton by the Future Jobs Fund since its inception up until to 9<sup>th</sup> March 2011. The forecast is for a remaining 7 jobs by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011.

#### 2. Solent LEP

Question from Councillor Bogle to Councillor Smith

What expenditure has been incurred to date by the Solent LEP and what is the split between the Council and the business sector? How will costs and resources be allocated going forward and which budget will pick these up?

# Answer:

Costs to date incurred have been marginal. Costs that have been incurred have been met by the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH). Those costs are:

£450 to establish a basic website

£460 to advertise the Business Board positions in the local press.

£5,000 for a graduate internship for a 6 month period to provide executive support.

In addition, the LEP has private sector support in the form of the expertise of the Shadow Board and the service of Paris Smith which have been donated at nil cost.

Going forward the intention is to establish the Limited Company by guarantee where all classes of membership will pay a subscription fee.

# 3. Abolition of House Building Targets

Question from Councillor Bogle to Councillor Baillie

With the abolition of national and regional house building targets, which if any targets are Southampton and PUSH working towards and what percentage of this is in the 'affordable' sector?

In January 2010, Southampton City Council adopted their Core Strategy, which established our housing target (to 2026) of 16,300 new homes. This is not affected by the Government's decision to withdraw regional housing delivery targets at the earliest opportunity. It is based on our own assessment of the City's requirements and available development land. PUSH has recently revised their housing target in the light of changed market conditions and other factors and that has been reduced from 80,000 to 74,000. We currently have no plans to revise the target for the City, which current evidence suggests is likely to be deliverable, but will keep the situation under review.

Within the 2010 Core Strategy the affordable housing target requires the authority to provide 20% affordable housing on developments between 5-14 units and 35% for developments with units over 15.

# 4. Rollesbrook Greenway

Question from Councillor Bogle to Councillor P Williams

Can the Cabinet Member for Local Services and Safety outline the consultation process regarding the opening of the Rollesbrook Greenway?

#### Answer:

I have spoken to the Council officers about the consultation process. I understand an initial consultation process took place. From that there was no real appetite to set up a footpath. Then in 2008 a further consultation took place with residents who live adjacent to the greenway. At this moment officers say there was still no clear way ahead as there was a very low return rate.

Officers then agreed to extend this consultation in 2009/10 to include residents from slightly further afield which included the local schools, police, allotment holders, YMCA and Polygon Residents group. The results of all the consultation were then brought together. The conclusion was to go ahead with the extension to the footpath running through Rollesbrook Greenway connecting it to Wilton Avenue.

As Cabinet Member, I am happy to meet with her to discuss any reservations she has about the process followed on this occasion.

#### 5. Public Toilets

Question from Councillor Drake to Councillor P Williams

Following the Administration's proposal to close public toilets at Bargate, Kingsland and Woolston, what proposals are in place to provide the public with alternative facilities at these locations?

### Answer:

We back our traders and want our city centres to thrive.

With the Council's budget pressures, it has been important for us to look at new ways of delivering public toilet provision, and Cllr Fuller has been working with me to look at establishing alternatives.

Although provision is not statutory, we recognise the value of public toilets; we have been doing our best to make alternative arrangements.

#### These include:

Highlighting Alternatives - Prior to the closure of the Bargate and Kingsland public toilets, street plans will be prominently affixed to these facilities indicating the locations of the significant number of alternative toilet facilities available to the public within the city centre.

Automatic Toilets - The City Council has in the past successfully secured two new automatic public conveniences (APC's) through a partnership agreement with the advertiser JC DeCaux. Council officers will continue to work with JC DeCaux and other potential private sector partners to extend this provision.

Extra provision through planning and other investments – The City Council is working hard to maintain provision in new developments. A good example of this is in West Quay where the City Council has invested £70,000 in improving access.

Working with traders - Council officers are exploring whether opportunities for partnership with local traders exist to replace in part the current City Council facilities, an approach that has been successfully pioneered in a number of other Local Authorities where budgetary pressures have compelled alternatives to direct council provision to be developed.

# 6. Council Staff in Housing Rent or Council Tax Arrears

Question from Councillor McEwing to Councillor Baillie

Does the Cabinet Member for Housing intend to make any special allowances for Council staff who fall behind in their Council Housing Rent or Council Tax during the next 12 months as a result of the Authority reducing their pay?

# Answer:

No. Southampton City Council is here to help where possible all tenants, not just those employed by the Council. We are already helping our tenants who are employed by the Council by not reducing the pay of 40% of staff, and reducing the next 30% by 2% to allow some 400 members of staff to continue to be employed and to continue to take home a wage to their families. Council Tax has also been frozen to further help those tenants. Naturally, I am sure Cllr McEwing would agree with me that most of the current financial pain has been caused by Labour's utterly disastrous handling of our economy.

# 7. Policy Pronouncements

Question from Councillor Letts to Councillor P Williams

Does the Cabinet Member for Local Services and Community Safety agree with the policy pronouncements of the Rt. Hon. Eric Pickles in all areas relating to his Portfolio?

#### Answer:

I am happy to offer you my view on a policy position in my portfolio.

If possible, I would like to avoid the petty politics of half quotes etc.

# 8. Deprivation Levels

Question from Councillor Letts to Councillor Smith

How do the deprivation levels found in Southampton compare to other areas in Hampshire?

### Answer:

The nationally recognised measure of deprivation is published by the Department for Communities & Local Government in the Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) 2007. It looks at poverty over seven domains:

- Education skills and training
- Crime
- Income
- Employment
- Health and disability
- · Barriers to housing and services
- Living environment

Southampton is ranked 91<sup>st</sup> out of 354 LA's (1 = most deprived).

In Hampshire, Southampton is the most deprived area (91<sup>st</sup>) followed by Portsmouth (93<sup>rd</sup>), least deprived is Hart (354<sup>th</sup>) which is the least deprived area in England.

Using NI 116 – % children in poverty (2008) produces a similar ranking.

70 0.	2007 Rank	2007 Rank	% of children
	of	of Average	in poverty
	Hampshire	Score	
Southampton	1	91	26.5
Portsmouth	2	93	24.0
Havant	3	126	20.6
Gosport	4	167	17.8
Rushmoor	5	268	12.4
New Forest	6	300	12.9
Basingstoke			
and Deane	7	304	11.5
Eastleigh	8	313	10.9
Test Valley	9	316	9.7
East			
Hampshire	10	332	8.9
Fareham	11	338	8.8
Winchester	12	342	7.8
Hart	13	354	6.8

The DCLG will be publishing an IMD 2010 on the 24<sup>th</sup> March; a full report by officers will be available in April 2011.

#### 9. Withdrawal of the Number 14 Bus Service

Question from Councillor Sollitt to Councillor Dean

Is the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport aware that the withdrawal of the number 14 bus service will deprive many elderly residents of Westwood Road of convenient access to public transport?

# Answer:

After skilful negotiation the bus operator has undertaken to maintain the No 14 bus service for a further 15 months. I would be grateful if Councillor Sollitt would draw this success of the administration to his residents' attention in his next Focus leaflet.

# 10. Former Bus Depot Site Portswood

Question from Councillor Vinson to Councillor Hannides

What has been the cost in officer time of discussions with Sainsburys and others regarding the possibility of the re-location of Portswood Library to the former Bus Depot Site?

# Answer:

No officer time has been spent specifically looking at the re-location of Portswood Library, but officers have been looking at all the options for the community facility space which will be included in the Sainsbury's development and no formal negotiations have taken place.

#### 11. Portswood District Centre

Question from Councillor Vinson to Councillor Smith

How many supermarkets does the Leader believe would be beneficial for Portswood District Centre?

## Answer:

The number of supermarkets that are needed to serve the residents of Portswood will be determined by the economic decisions made by the providers in the context of market conditions. It is not the business of the Council to decide absolute number of supermarkets in any area of the City. Any concerns regarding the implications of the development of a supermarket can in common with applications for other types of benefits be raised during the planning process.

#### 12. Vehicular access to West Marland Road

Question from Councillor Vinson to Councillor Dean

What is the current status in terms of vehicular access of West Marland Road? What has been the total cost of the parking warden's time in supervising access to this road since the completion of the work associated with refurbishment of Guildhall Square?

#### Answer:

West Marlands Road is a public highway. It is subject to a Traffic Regulation Order that prevents loading anywhere other than in designated bays. This is in

accordance with the recommendations from The Department of Transport for the management of parking in such a prestigious area.

During the latter phases of construction of Guildhall Square, and whilst awaiting the formal approval for the restrictions from The Department of Transport, it was necessary, for public safety, to have staff at the entrance to West Marlands Road to help prevent unnecessary vehicles from entering the road.

The costs of staff attending to this matter is in proportion to the level of enforcement normally given to this area of the City Centre. It is difficult to separate out the individual costs, but during the three months that the additional emphasis was given to this activity, approximately £16,800 of staff time was assigned. This is less than half of one percent of the construction costs of the project.

There were no accidents or safety concerns during construction of the project.

# 13. School Governing Bodies

Question from Councillor Barnes-Andrews to Councillor Moulton

How does the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Learning intend to respond to School Governing Bodies about their decisions concerning changes to conditions of employment?

# Answer:

The Council cannot impose on school support staff the changes to terms and conditions that are being made to other council employees, as school governing bodies are responsible for setting terms and conditions of their support staff, although these staff are technically employed by the City Council.

The Council has been engaged in ongoing dialogue with governing bodies about this issue but to date, no Governing Body has agreed to implement the changes to terms and conditions.

No letters will therefore be sent to school support staff.

As the new Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Learning I have written to all Governing bodies to reassure them that their staff will not be affected.

#### 14. Staff Turnover in Children's Services Social Workers

Question from Councillor Barnes-Andrews to Councillor Moulton

What has been the staff turnover in Children's Services social workers for permanent and temporary positions in the last three months?

#### Answer:

Turnover: of the 119.2 FTE social workers within the Safeguarding Division, 18.4 FTEs (15.4%) have left their post or have been promoted since December. The

percentage of the current workforce that has come into the service during the last three months is slightly lower at 11.7 FTE; a rate of 10%.

The Administration is committed to ensuring vulnerable children are protected. It is anticipated that all agency staff employed in the Safeguarding Division would no longer be in place by the end of May 2011.

#### 15. Meals on Wheels Service

Question from Councillor Drake to Councillor White

Can the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health inform Council as to the timing and terms of reference of the proposed review of the Meals on Wheels Service?

#### Answer:

The Leader of the Council has asked officers to undertake a further review of the Meals on Wheels service prior to implementing any price increase. Officers are now undertaking preparatory work to determine the scope and timeline of this review. When this is available this will be shared with interested parties.

# 16. Gritting roads next winter

Question from Councillor Turner to Councillor Dean

Could the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport tell Council if planning for gritting roads next winter is already in hand given that we could see a repeat of last year's icy conditions?

#### Answer:

Yes it is.

Balfour Beatty had purchased two new gritting lorries to increase the Council's capacity to grit roads during periods when the City experiences ice and snow. The funding allocated for gritting roads for the winter 2011/12 has been doubled from the allocation in respect of 2010/11 winter months. The Council had increased the number of grit bins from 60 to approximately 100 as part of the City Council's commitment to increasing its capacity to resist bad weather. In addition there are currently investigations into the possibility of the use of snow ploughs in the City should the need arise

# 75. MOTIONS

# (a) Local Government Pension Scheme

Councillor Dr. R Williams moved and Councillor Barnes-Andrews seconded:

"Full Council notes that the LGPS is a sustainable, good quality pension scheme that benefits from being funded and locally managed. It is valuable to employers and employees alike. Successive governments have failed to recognise the

distinctiveness of the LGPS in setting policy, most notably in the proposal announced by the Chancellor in the last CSR to impose an extra 3.2% contribution tax on scheme members, increasing scheme average member contributions from 6.6% to 9.8%. This tax does not benefit the scheme or scheme members or employers. This proposal is in addition to pension reductions caused by being indexed against CPI instead of RPI and is in advance of expected benefit reform recommendations from the Hutton Review.

Full Council agrees that an increase in member contributions as proposed will lead to mass opt outs from the LGPS and that would be undesirable and damaging. The views expressed by the LGA in its letter to the Chancellor dated 16 February 2011 on this subject are also the views of this Council.

Full Council therefore resolves that the Council will write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Chief Secretary to the Treasury and the Secretary of State for Local Government within the next month stating this Council's support for the LGA letter referred to above and calling for government to rethink its proposed increases to LGPS member contributions. The Council will work with Trade Unions to ensure employees are made aware of the proposals for the LGPS and encouraging them to support the Council's representations to defend their pension scheme."

Amendment moved by Councillor Moulton and seconded by Councillor Samuels:

# **AMENDMENT**

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RESOLVED that the motion as amended be approved.

# (b)Royal Wedding Celebrations

Councillor P Williams moved and Councillor Fitzgerald seconded:-

"This Council welcomes the news that Prince William is to marry Kate Middleton on 29th April. The Council notes the following:

- The 9 day celebrations give a real opportunity to promote a sense of community and build a sense of pride.
- Under the previous Government local residents faced a cost of between £75 and £3000 for putting on street events.
- Southampton City Council provides free Public Liability Insurance for residents wanting to hold events; and
- the assistance to residents & traders with the setting up of street parties and events

As part of its drive to promoting a bigger society the City Council urges all Councillors to act in there roles as community champions to promote and facilitate where possible the celebrations within the City."

UPON BEING PUT TO THE VOTE THE MOTION WAS DECLARED CARRIED

RESOLVED that the motion be approved.

# (c ) Grant of Lord Mayoralty - Diamond Jubilee 2012

Councillor Smith moved and Councillor Moulton seconded:-

"That the Council notes that Her Majesty The Queen has agreed that competitions may be held for a grant of Lord Mayoralty to mark Her Diamond Jubilee in 2012. Lord Mayoralty is an exceptional distinction conferred on the Mayoralties of a few, usually long established and important cities. Existing local authority cities are welcome to enter the competition by the closing date of 27 May 2011, and that this Council accordingly resolves to submit a bid on behalf of the City of Southampton."

UPON BEING PUT TO THE VOTE THE MOTION WAS DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RESOLVED that the motion be approved.

# (d) Highway Partnership with Balfour Beatty

Councillor Dean moved and Councillor Fitzhenry seconded:-

"That Council acknowledges that the Highway Partnership with Balfour Beatty Workplace entered on the 4th October last year has already demonstrated tangible benefits across the City.

#### Council notes :-

- the contractual commitment to deliver over £10m of savings over the lifetime of the contract;
- a substantial reduction in the number of outstanding highway defects;
  and
- the successful completion of a number of high profile road schemes such as:
  - Lodge Road;
  - Crest Way; and
  - Shirley Road.

### Council notes the commitment to:

- reinvest the savings from the Highways Partnership into the network;
- the increasing professionalism of the Council and Balfour Beatty Workplace to developing partnerships with utility companies;
- an improved resilience over the winter period with increased investment in gritting vehicles, new grit bins and additional salt stocks, leading to the Council's signing of the Winter Service Compact;
- improved communication with residents and business representatives across the City pertaining to highways issues; and
- Council notes the additional £1m investment in the City's pavements which will result in over 40 linear miles of improved footway over and above the existing published Highways Capital programme. This is the largest single investment in pavements since the construction of our council estates in the 1950s.

Council notes that the contract is less than six months old but already provides opportunities for the local authority to invest prudently in schemes that will provide a real tangible benefit for the citizens of Southampton."

# <u>AMENDMENT</u>

An amendment to the above motion proposed by Councillor Marsh-Jenks was disallowed by the Mayor as not being relevant.

UPON BEING PUT TO THE VOTE THE MOTION WAS DECLARED CARRIED

RESOLVED that the motion be approved.

# (e) Adoption of a Threshold for Students Living in Private Accommodation

Councillor Vinson moved and Councillor Sollitt seconded:-

"This Council urges the Cabinet, in discussion for Southampton's two universities, to adopt a threshold for the numbers of students living in private accommodation in the community and to link through the planning process future expansion in student numbers to the provision of addition purpose-built accommodation along the lines in force in Oxford."

Amendment moved by Councillor Stevens and seconded by Councillor Payne:

Delete after universities "to adopt a threshold for the numbers of students living in private accommodation in the community and to link through the planning process future expansion in student numbers to the provision of additional purpose built accommodation along the lines in force in Oxford."

Replace with "and landlords to help manage the number of students living in private accommodation in the community. The Cabinet is requested to set up an inquiry to investigate the links and produce a policy for:-

- The Planning Process;
- Houses of Multiple Occupancy; and
- The City's Enforcement Teams and future housing provision that could provide and control student accommodation in the City."

#### Amended Motion to Read:

"This Council urges the Cabinet in discussion with Southampton's two universities and landlords to help manage the number of students living in private accommodation in the community. The Cabinet is requested to set up an inquiry to investigate the links and produce a policy for:-

The Planning Process;

Houses of Multiple Occupancy; and

The City's Enforcement Teams and future housing provision that could provide and control student accommodation in the City."

#### UPON BEING PUT TO THE VOTE THE AMENDMENT WAS DECLARED LOST

Further amendment moved by Councillor Dean and seconded by Councillor Moulton:-

Delete from the first line 'urges' and replace with 'welcomes'.

Delete from the first line 'Cabinet, in discussion for Southampton's'

Replace with 'Cabinet's decision on 14th March to approve an Article 4 Direction for the whole of Southampton.'

Delete the remainder of the paragraph 'two universities, to adopt a threshold for the numbers of students living in private accommodation in the community and to link through the planning process future expansion in student numbers to the provision of addition purpose-built accommodation along the lines in force in Oxford.'

Replace with 'Council notes that a period of statutory consultation will now be undertaken and also welcomes the Cabinet's decision to set up an HMO working group to look at all aspects of HMOs. This will include housing, planning and

enforcement issues, and will have the aim of creating sustainable and cohesive communities in Southampton.

Council resolves to look at the merits of introducing thresholds for HMOs, as well as other planning policies that might sit along side the Article 4 Direction and notes that further work on this will not delay the effective implementation date of the Article 4. We will also work with Southampton's two universities to ensure joined up policies between them and the City Council.'

#### Amended Motion to Read:

"Council welcomes the Cabinet's decision on 14th March to approve an Article 4 Direction for the whole of Southampton.

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UPON BEING PUT TO THE VOTE THE AMENDMENT WAS DECLARED CARRIED

UPON BEING PUT TO THE VOTE THE MOTION AS AMENDED BY COUNCILLORS DEAN AND MOULTON WAS DECLARED CARRIED

RESOLVED that the motion as amended be approved.

<u>NOTE:</u> Councillor Dr. R Williams as a Landlord in the City declared a personal interest in the above motion and left the Chamber taking no part in the debate or vote.

# (f) Alcohol promotions aimed at young people

Councillor Turner withdrew the following motion:-

"Council is concerned at commercial companies mounting promotions giving out free alcohol samples to young people in the City Centre which is part of the designated alcohol fee zone and asks the Licensing Committee to investigate and if necessary bring forward proposals for regulating such promotions."

# 76. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS TO THE CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES OR THE MAYOR

It was noted that no questions to the Chairs of Committees or the Mayor had been received.

# 77. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

It was noted that no changes had been made to the appointments to Committees, Sub-Committees or Other Bodies.

# 78. LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 3

The report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport was submitted seeking approval and adoption of the Local Transport Plan 3 (LTP3) for Southampton (copy of report circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

# **RESOLVED:**

- (i) that the Local Transport Plan Joint Strategy be adopted as appended to the report; and
- (ii) that the Implementation Plan 2011-2012 be adopted as appended to the report.

# 79. ADOPTION OF THE SAFE CITY PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2011/12

The report of the Cabinet Member for Local Services and Community Safety was submitted seeking approval to the Safe City Partnership Plan 2011/12 (copy of report circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

# RESOLVED:

- (i) that authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Neighbourhoods to agree the final allocation of the grant funding from the Home Office Community Safety Fund and any final amendments to the Plan following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Local Services and Community Safety: and
- (ii) that the Safe City Partnership Plan 2011/12 and the Council's contribution as detailed in the Plan be approved.