

MINUTES

Council AGM

Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021

Venue: Lowther Theatre, Lytham

Members Present: Mayor (Councillor Angela Jacques)

Deputy Mayor (Councillor Richard Redcliffe)

Councillors Ben Aitken, Frank Andrews, Peter Anthony, Tim Armit, Mark Bamforth, Brenda Blackshaw, Julie Brickles, Karen Buckley, Alan Clayton, Delma Collins, Chris Dixon, Sue Fazackerley MBE, Brian Gill, Will Harris, Gavin Harrison, Paul Hayhurst, John Kirkham, Cheryl Little, Roger Lloyd, Ed Nash, Linda Nulty, Liz Oades, David O'Rourke, Bobby Rigby, Michael Sayward, Vince Settle, Elaine Silverwood, John Singleton JP, Roger Small, Heather Speak, Tommy Threlfall, Viv Willder and Michael

Withers.

Officers Present:

Allan Oldfield, Tracy Manning, Jo Collins, Katharine McDonnell, Sharon

Wadsworth, Hannah Kirk, Howie Dawson and Colin Dockery.

1. Declarations of Interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members. There were no declarations on this occasion.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 April 2021 were agreed as a correct record.

3. Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor advised she had attended the opening of the Fairhaven Visitors Centre, she praised the hard work of all involved to make it such an enjoyable place to visit. The Mayor advised that she and the Deputy Mayor distributed the cheques to the Mayoral Charities, Kilgrimol Building Fund, One Fylde, Bloodwise (now Blood Cancer UK) and Blood Bikes. The Mayor expressed her appreciation to everyone who had supported her charitable events, paying particular tribute to the Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress for all their hard work and dedication.

She thanked everyone for their support over the last two years.

4. Chief Executive's Communications

The Chief Executive welcomed everyone back to meetings in person. He expressed his thanks to the outgoing Mayoral party, and looked forward to working with the new Mayoral team.

5. Constitution Amendment – Terms of Reference - Committees

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Councillor John Singleton introduced the report advising that in line with its constitutional role to review and recommend amendments to Council, the Audit and Standards Committee had considered amendments to the terms of reference of the Finance and Democracy Committee, and the Planning Committee.

Councillor Singleton explained as the Economic Prosperity Board, a joint committee formed by the leaders of Fylde, Wyre and Blackpool, were concerned with matters of strategic economic importance, it was appropriate for economic development to come under the remit of Finance and Democracy Committee. Planning Committee would act in an advisory capacity in regards to economic development.

Following consideration at Audit and Standards Committee, additional wording had been agreed in regards to the remit of Finance and Democracy. The agreed additional wording was to add, after "sub regional economic initiatives" the wording "..., such as the Economic Prosperity Board."

Councillor Will Harris seconded the proposal.

It was therefore RESOVLED to recommend the proposed amendments to the terms of reference of the committees (Part 2 and Part 3 of the Council's Constitution – Responsibility for Functions).

6. Constitution Amendment – Contracts Procedure Rules

Councillor John Singleton, introduced a proposed amendment to the Contract Procedure Rules, as considered by the Audit and Standards Committee.

Councillor Singleton provided an overview of the proposed changes both administrative and substantive.

Councillor Will Harris seconded the proposal and it was RESOLVED to adopt the changes to the Contract Procedure Rules set out in the appendix to the report, as recommended by the Audit and Standards committee meeting held on 20 May 2021.

7. Mayor and Deputy Mayor

Councillor Liz Oades proposed that Councillor Elaine Silverwood be appointed Mayor of the Borough of Fylde for the municipal year 2021/22.

Councillor Linda Nulty seconded the proposal and it was RESOLVED unanimously that the Council elects Councillor Elaine Silverwood as Mayor of the Borough of Fylde for the municipal year 2021/22.

The newly appointed Mayor, Councillor Elaine Silverwood proposed that Councillor Cheryl Little be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Fylde for the municipal year 2021/22.

Councillor Roger Small seconded the proposal.

It was RESOLVED unanimously that the Council elects Councillor Cheryl Little as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Fylde for the municipal year 2021/22.

Thereupon the Mayor and Deputy Mayor made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as required by statute.

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