

COUNCIL

**MEETING**: Thursday, 24th November 2011

PRESENT: Cllrs. Lewis, Tracey, James, Morgan, Llewellyn, Williams, Organ,

Hilton, Haigh, Gravells, Durrant, Hobbs, P. McLellan, C. Witts, Smith, Lugg, Noakes, Ravenhill, Hanman, Wilson, Bhaimia, S. Witts, Field, Brown, Dee, Porter, Taylor, Beeley, Dallimore, Hansdot, Gilson,

Mozol, Patel, Randle and Toleman

APOLOGIES : Cllrs. Wood

#### 47. PRAYERS

Prayers were offered by the Mayor's Chaplain, the Reverend Suzanne Skipper.

#### 48. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011 were confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

#### 49. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Tracey, Hilton, Gravells, McLellan, Lugg, Dee and Porter declared personal interests in matters relating to Gloucestershire County Council.

Councillors Lugg, Porter and Taylor declared personal and prejudicial interests in matters relating to Gloucester Airport.

Councillors Haigh, Porter and Randle declared personal and prejudicial interests in matters relating to Aspire Sports and Cultural Trust.

Councillors Lugg and Taylor declared personal and prejudicial interests in matters relating to Blackridge Athletics Track.

Councillor Dallimore declared a personal and prejudicial interest in matters relating to the Boundary Commission for England proposals.

#### 50. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Barry Leach asked the following question of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure:-

"The City Centre Community Partnership has long supported the work of Gloucester Emergency Accommodation Resource (GEAR). Our concern is about the continuity of the service beyond the expiry of the lease on the building currently occupied by the night shelter.

"Could we perhaps be updated on the progress being made for the continuation of the service and finding alternative premises? Is there a JCS view being taken on the need for this provision, including whether the Supporting People funding recently allocated to Cheltenham (YMCA I believe) is being considered as part of the solution."

Councillor Organ responded that work was in progress to fulfil the commitment in the Supporting People Strategy. A bid under the Homeless Challenge Programme had been unsuccessful and the allocation of funding to Cheltenham to increase the number of available beds in the County. He advised that tenders would be invited for the new service in the New Year. He was fully aware of the extent of the problem and would do his best to seek a solution. He added that the Prime Minister had, this week, announced the new housing strategy for England which contained references to homelessness and officers would be working on the detail of this.

#### 51. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

#### 1. Save the Countryside

Alice Ross representing the group 'Save the Countryside' thanked the Mayor for the opportunity to address the Council. She noted that the group was not based in the City but was within the Joint Core Strategy (JCS) area and advised that the group had been formed to preserve green land. The Prime Minister had indicated that green belts would be preserved but the preferred option in the JCS did not.

The group preferred scenario A which sought to protect the green belt and proposed development in urban and brownfield sites. She expressed concern at the manner in which this scenario had been presented in the consultation She believed that the public could be misleads by the forecasts of a population with 84% elderly and other non-working people.

She noted that scenario B proposed 36,000 homes for an estimated population growth of 45,000 was the equivalent of one home each and 8,000 people having to share. She believed that the Gloucestershire affordability model had been poorly informed and asked if this was the best way forward for the area.

The Leader of the Council noted that the Council would debate the preferred option later in the meeting and were asked to approve the draft for public consultation. People would have the opportunity to make their views known on all the options in full knowledge of the consequences.

## 2. Leckhampton Green Land Action Group

Alistair Cameron representing the Leckhampton Green Land Action Group, which had been opposing inappropriate large scale development to the South of Cheltenham since 1993, stated that the group had particular concerns relating to traffic and flooding. There were concerns over scenarios B,C and D which represented large scale development in North Gloucestershire. He asked Members to safeguard the countryside of Gloucestershire.

The Leader of the Council responded that people would have ample opportunity to make their views known.

## 52. ANNOUNCEMENTS (COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 2(VII))

### 1. Mayor's Announcements

### i) Tourist Information Centre

The Mayor announced that the Tourist Information Centre had become the fourth centre in the country to achieve a Gold award for demonstrating green values to visitors to the City. He congratulated the staff of the Centre on behalf of the Council.

#### ii) Environmental Protection Team

The Mayor announced that the Environmental Protection Team had been highly commended in the Noise Abatement Society's John Connell Awards for their work in establishing a holistic and sustainable approach to dealing with Neighbourhood Noise complaints. He congratulated the team on behalf of the Council.

#### iii) Brian Duncan MICWCI

The Mayor announced that Brian Duncan had been the overall winner at the 11<sup>th</sup> Biennial Institute of Clerks of Works and Construction Inspectorate "Building on Quality" National Awards Ceremony. The award had been made in recognition of work Mr Duncan had undertaken before coming to the City Council to ensure high standards in the conversion of Hanover Lodge Outer Circle.

Mr Duncan was presented with the award by the Mayor and was congratulated by the Council.

#### iv) HMS Gloucester

The Mayor advised that the Council would receive a number of artefacts from HMS Gloucester when the warship was decommissioned. These included the ship's bell, plaques, gangway canvasses and funnel badges. The items would eventually be housed in the Council offices, Museums and the Cathedral although no decisions had yet been made.

#### 2. Leader of the Council's Announcements

Councillor James, Leader of the Council, congratulated Councillor Dallimore on the successful completion of her parachute jump and raising over £1,000 for the Gloucester Food Bank.

### 3. Deputy Leader's Announcements

Councillor Morgan, Deputy Leader of the Council, reminded Members that funding was available to plant trees through the Cory Bee Guardian Initiative. It was hoped to plant 2,800 trees in the City and suggestions were requested from the community for suitable sites for bee-friendly tree species. Up to 10 trees would be available free of charge to community groups, schools and individuals.

### 4. Cabinet Members' Announcements

Councillor Williams, Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods, announced that funding of £97,000 had been obtained towards 23 homes in Porchester Road. (£47,000- DEFRA flooding fund, £30,000 - Gloucestershire County Council and £20,000 -Gloucester City Council). She noted that the DEFRA funding criteria had changed and third party contributions were viewed with favour.

## 5. Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Announcements

Councillor Lugg, Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee extended an invitation to all Members to attend the special meeting of the committee on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> December when the only item of business would be to consider the draft budget proposals and to ask questions of the appropriate Cabinet Member.

#### 53. SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES

Moved by Councillor James (Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture and seconded by Councillor Morgan (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for the Environment).

**RESOLVED** that Council Procedure Rules be waived to enable Officers to address the Council in respect of items 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 16 on the agenda.

## 54. JOINT CORE STRATEGY, DEVELOPING THE PREFERRED OPTIONS DOCUMENT

A Member expressed concern that he had not received the meeting papers in sufficient time. He was advised that the requirement to publish meeting papers five working days prior to the meeting had been complied with.

The Council considered a report presenting options for public consultation on the Joint Core Strategy.

Councillor James (Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture) moved the recommendation set out in the report, namely:- that

- 1) The draft "Developing the Preferred Options Consultation Document" set out in Appendix 1 be approved for consultation;
- 2) Scenario B be endorsed as the option that would best meet the development needs of the Joint Core Strategy area for the first ten years of the plan period to 2021;
- 3) Appendix 2: Response Report on consultation carried out to date (October 2011) be published as part of the consultation exercise;
- 4) Appendix 3: The Sustainability Appraisal is published as part of the consultation exercise;
- The Director of Regeneration be authorised, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture, to make any necessary minor revisions to the draft document prior to publication taking account of any issues arising from the consideration of the document by Cheltenham Borough Council or Tewkesbury Borough Council;
- 6) Based upon the evidence currently available, an interim working annual housing requirement target for Gloucester City of 325 dwellings per annum be adopted to inform the preparation of the emerging City Plan.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Morgan (Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Environment).

Councillor McLellan proposed an amendment to add the following clause to the recommendation:-

7) that any development in and around Gloucester Airport (phase one or two of the JCS) should be consistent with maintaining an operational Code 2 airport at the is location.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Beeley and on being put to the vote was lost.

The motion was carried and it was

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- 2) Scenario B be endorsed as the option that would best meet the development needs of the Joint Core Strategy area for the first ten years of the plan period to 2021;
- 3) Appendix 2: Response Report on consultation carried out to date (October 2011) be published as part of the consultation exercise;

- 4) Appendix 3: The Sustainability Appraisal is published as part of the consultation exercise;
- The Director of Regeneration be authorised, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture, to make any necessary minor revisions to the draft document prior to publication taking account of any issues arising from the consideration of the document by Cheltenham Borough Council or Tewkesbury Borough Council;
- 6) Based upon the evidence currently available, an interim working annual housing requirement target for Gloucester City of 325 dwellings per annum be adopted to inform the preparation of the emerging City Plan.

# 55. POLLING DISTRICT AND POLLING PLACES REVIEW 2011 - RECOMMENDATIONS

The Council considered a report which outlined recommendations for the Council following the consultation period for the 2011 Polling District and Polling Places Review.

Councillor Taylor moved the recommendation that:-

- a) The proposals in the report be adopted for implementation from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2011;
- b) The final report on the Review of Parliamentary Polling Districts and Places within the Gloucester Constituency be published on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

With the addition that:-

c) A further review be completed by 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015 as required by the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (subject to any necessary changes following the amendments to the County Council boundaries).

The motion was seconded by Councillor Noakes.

On being put to the vote, the motion was carried and it was:

#### **RESOLVED** that

- a) The proposals in the report be adopted for implementation from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2011;
- b) The final report on the Review of Parliamentary Polling Districts and Places within the Gloucester Constituency be published on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2011;

c) A further review be completed by 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015 as required by the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (subject to any necessary changes following the amendments to the County Council boundaries).

#### 56. CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS: NEGATORY MOTIONS

The Council considered a report proposing amendment to the Council Procedure Rules contained within the Council's Constitution.

Councillor Taylor moved the recommendation:-

That paragraph 15.06 of Council Procedure Rules (Part 4 of the Council's Constitution) be amended as follows:

Delete the words: 'but such omission, insertion or addition of words shall not have the effect of negating the motion before the Council or of making it ultra vires or otherwise unlawful.'

Replace with: 'An amendment shall not have the effect of negating the motion before Council by being directly contradictory, or contrary to it, or by introducing a new motion. Where some parts of an amendment were negatory and others were not, provided that the spirit of the motion had not been changed by the deletion of the negatory element of the amendment, the remainder of the amendment would be allowed to stand.'

The motion was seconded by Councillor Noakes.

The Mayor advised that should the motion be carried it would have immediate effect.

On being put to the vote, the motion was carried and it was:

#### **RESOLVED**

That paragraph 15.06 of Council Procedure Rules (Part 4 of the Council's Constitution) be amended as follows:

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## 57. CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS: STREETCARE FORUM AND EMPLOYEE FORUM

The Council considered a report proposing amendments to the Council's Constitution.

Councillor Taylor moved the recommendation set out in the report, with the addition that the Leader of the Council substitute for the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources in their absence on the Employee Forum, namely:-

- a) The Streetcare Forum be removed from the Council's Constitution:
- b) The Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources be appointed as the ex officio member of the Employee Forum and the Leader of the Council can substitute in their absence; and
- c) the Council's Constitution be amended accordingly.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Noakes.

On being put to the vote the motion was carried and it was:

#### **RESOLVED** that

- a) The Streetcare Forum be removed from the Council's Constitution;
- b) The Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources be appointed as the ex officio member of the Employee Forum and the Leader of the Council can substitute in their absence; and
- c) the Council's Constitution be amended accordingly.

## 58. REVIEW OF THE RIPA (REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT) PROCEDURAL GUIDE

The Council considered a report outlining a procedural guide to ensure that the Council complies with the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA). It was noted that the powers had not been used since the last review.

Councillor Llewellyn (Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources) moved the recommendation set out in the report, namely:-

That the revised procedural guidance at Appendix 1 to the report of the Corporate Director of Resources be approved

The motion was seconded by Councillor James (Leader of the Council).

On being put to the vote the motion was carried and it was:

**RESOLVED** that the revised procedural guidance at Appendix 1 to the report of the Corporate Director of Resources be approved.

## 59. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS AND DATA PROTECTION

The Council considered a report outlining revised policies relating to Freedom of Information, Environmental Information Regulations, Data Protection and Subject Access requests.

Councillor Llewellyn (Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources) moved the recommendation set out in the report, namely, that the revised policies be approved.

The motion was seconded by Councillor James (Leader of the Council).

On being put to the vote the motion was carried and it was:

**RESOLVED** that the following policies be approved:-

- a) Freedom of Information and Environmental Information Regulations Policy;
- b) Data Protection Act Policy;
- c) Subject Access Request Policy.

### 60. TREASURY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE 2010/11

The Council considered the Annual Treasury Management and Prudential Indicators Report 2010/11.

Councillor Llewellyn (Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources) moved the recommendation set out in the report, namely, that the Treasury Management Stewardship Report and the actual prudential indicators for 2010/11 be approved.

The motion was seconded by Councillor James (Leader of the Council). On being put to the vote the motion was carried and it was:

**RESOLVED** that the Treasury Management Stewardship Report and the actual prudential indicators for 2010/11 be approved.

#### 61. DRAFT MONEY PLAN

The Council considered a report outlining the Draft Money Plan and the proposed timetable for public consultation on the 20112/13 budget.

Councillor Llewellyn (Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources) moved the recommendation set out in the report, namely:- that

a) The assumptions contained in the Council's Draft Money Plan from 2012/13 to 2016/17 and revisions to the current year's revenue budget be approved to inform the 2012/13 budget process;

- b) The target budget reductions set in the Three Year Money Plan 2011/12 be retained and the progress made in achieving the exceptional level of savings to date be noted, with an update on specific savings work streams within the budget proposals being made to Cabinet on 7<sup>th</sup> December;
- c) The uncertainties regarding future incomes and the need to update the Draft Money Plan when there is more certainty regarding central government funding, be noted.

The motion was seconded by Councillor James (Leader of the Council).

On being put to the vote the motion was carried and it was:

#### **RESOLVED** that

- a) The assumptions contained in the Council's Draft Money Plan from 2012/13 to 2016/17 and revisions to the current year's revenue budget be approved to inform the 2012/13 budget process;
- b) The target budget reductions set in the Three Year Money Plan 2011/12 be retained and the progress made in achieving the exceptional level of savings to date be noted, with an update on specific savings work streams within the budget proposals being made to Cabinet on 7<sup>th</sup> December;
- c) The uncertainties regarding future incomes and the need to update the Draft Money Plan when there is more certainty regarding central government funding be noted.

#### 62. ASPIRE'S 3 YEAR BUSINESS PLAN 2011 TO 2014

This item was deferred to enable the Council to make the necessary resolution to exclude the press and public.

## 63. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS (COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12)

Councillor Hilton asked the Leader of the Council if the Council intended to submit comments to the forthcoming Government consultation on the next Great Western rail franchise.

The Leader replied that it would be sensible to do so as good rail services were important to the City. He referred to Government funding for new coaches, improvements to the railway station and returning the route from Kemble to Swindon to double track

Councillor Hilton asked if the Leader agreed that it was important that the Council commented on the station and the rolling stock used on services to Swindon.

The Leader concurred and noted that Stanhope appreciated the value of a railway station in the City Centre as part of a transport hub.

Councillor Hilton asked the Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure if he supported the plans in the Government's housing strategy to make 95% mortgages available.

Councillor Organ responded that any initiative to help the housing market would be welcome. He noted that the housing market was dependant on first-time buyers to start the chain. He noted that the Housing Strategy for England would help developers to take up stalled developments and initiatives to bring empty homes back into use.

Councillor Hilton referred to the £400 million that would be made available to help develop sites with planning permission and asked if it could be applied tom the Kwik Save site in the City.

Councillor Organ replied that he had been to Westminster to discuss the £5 million allocated to Gloucester and noted that restrictions applied. He confirmed that every opportunity would be examined.

Councillor Haigh asked the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources if the Council was aware of the cuts to security personnel in the Docks complex and the rising incidence of anti-social behaviour.

Councillor Llewellyn replied that economies of scale and ways of delivering a better service were being sought with the approval of residents. She noted that transfer of staff should not result in less cover and would take the matter up with the board should the incidence continue to rise.

Councillor Haigh referred to the Kimbrose Triangle shared space road scheme and asked the Leader of the Council if the scheme was being monitored since the amendments undertaken by the County Council.

The Leader of the Council noted that monitoring was a matter for the County Council and the City Centre Partnership to undertake and he would expect the outcome to be shared with the City Council.

Councillor McLellan asked the Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure for an update on the athletics track initiative.

Councillor Organ replied that Gloucester United Schools had agreed in principle to the surrender of the existing lease and a new lease, subject to planning permission, a scheme of works and completion in 15 months. This was subject to formal confirmation and solicitors had been instructed. He noted that the new limited company had been established.

Councillor McLellan referred to the Section 106 payment of £150,000 in respect of a development at Greenways, Barnwood and, in the event of the sum not being used for the athletics track, he asked if Ward Members could be consulted on the

use of the funds. Councillor Organ confirmed that the funds would be used for the athletics track.

Councillor Ravenhill asked the Leader of the Council if anything was being done about the City's ancient buildings especially those in Westgate Street and the Fleece Inn in particular.

Councillor James replied that urgent works had been undertaken to the Fleece Inn following the transfer from SWERDA ownership and the Council was in discussion with a third party regarding a potential future use. He noted that the Council had a range of powers at its disposal to deal with other historic buildings, including Historic Areas Grants and he asked Members to notify officers of any particular concerns.

Councillor Field asked the Cabinet Member for Environment about the pigeonproofing of Worcester Street railway bridge and the state of the London Road pavements due to bird droppings.

Councillor Morgan stated that he was working closely with Enterprise and the site was cleaned daily with new equipment within existing budgets. He undertook to inform Councillor Field whether the cleaning was five or seven days per week.

Councillor Porter asked if the leader of the Council would join him in wishing the former City Member of Parliament, Parmjit Dhanda, success in the forthcoming by-election.

Councillor James responded that he believed that the City was well served by the present Member of Parliament.

Councillor Durrant asked the Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods if users would be consulted before the Tapestry Project was closed.

Councillor Williams replied that there were over 60 languages used in the City and the service, which was more usually a function of unitary councils, cost £108,945 to run with income of £84,000. Consultation had been undertaken with 17 responses from 12 organisations. Eight responses indicated that Tapestry was not the only translation service they used and 97% had indicated they would seek an alternative. She believed that there was duplication but would continue to review the situation. She noted that Councillors acted as advocates for residents and community leaders did great work in the community.

Councillor Gravells asked if the Leader of the Council was aware of the recent 10 minute Rule Bill in the House of Commons regarding Members of Parliament who changed their political allegiance whilst in office and did the Leader believe it should be applied to Councillors.

Councillor James noted the councillors must be accountable to the electorate who would have their say in elections.

Councillor McLellan noted the Green Flag Award to Barnwood Arboretum and asked if the Cabinet Member for Environment was aware of the condition that required the site to be naturally grazed.

Councillor Morgan responded that officers were endeavouring to find a satisfactory solution as sheep had been tried but had become too tame. He noted that officers and Friends of the Arboretum were doing a sterling job and he would discuss the issue with Ward Members.

Councillor Hobbs referred to the Remembrance Day service at the City War Memorial and asked the Cabinet Member for Environment if the name plaques could be cleaned and the paving repaired. He called for a report on possible improvements.

Councillor Morgan responded that he would arrange an inspection of the paving and look into restoration of the name plaques. He requested that Councillor Hobbs provide details of the possible improvements he had suggested.

Councillor Ravenhill asked the Leader of the Council if he would thank the Dean and Chapter for the part the Cathedral played in the event held to switch on the City's Christmas lights.

Councillor James advised that he had passed on his thanks to the artist, the Cathedral, and Marketing Gloucester for making the event possible.

#### 64. NOTICES OF MOTION

(1) Moved by Councillor Hilton and seconded by Councillor Mozol.

Councillor Hilton advised Members that paragraph 2 of the motion printed on the agenda should be deleted.

"This Council notes the decision of Cheltenham Borough Council (a waste collection authority like Gloucester City Council) to call for a pause in the project to build a massive waste incinerator in Gloucestershire.

This Council requests that the County Council provides a full economic, health, and environmental impact assessment of mass burn incineration in comparison to other technological solutions including Mechanical Biological Treatment.

That the comparisons between different residual waste technologies are demonstrated, scrutinised and debated in public."

On being put to the vote, the motion was lost.

(2) Moved by Councillor Haigh and seconded by Councillor Durrant.

"The DCLG's recent announcement of the proposals, 'Technical Reforms of Council Tax' to allow Councils to remove Council Tax discounts from second homes included claims by the Secretary of State that other Council Tax payers could receive a discount of 'up to £20' a year. In Gloucester, there are 152 homes receiving a discount and the current discount is 10%. Cutting the discount will raise around £2170. This will not be enough to fund a discount of £20 for all Council Tax payers.

This Council agrees with the Chair of the Local Government Association, Sir Merrick Cockell, when he said "it would be hard for councils to pass on the benefit of smaller discounts given they had just seen a 10 per cent cut in council tax benefit.

There are similar proposals relating to empty homes where a landlord is renovating or repairing a property.

This Council agrees that, should it decide in the future to remove either second or empty homes discounts in the future, the funds raised should go towards council tax benefit for those in most financial need."

On being put to the vote, the motion was lost.

3) Moved by Councillor Haigh and seconded by Councillor Lugg

"This Council notes that the Boundary Commission for England guidance on forming new Constituencies states that 'The BCE seeks to avoid dividing wards between constituencies wherever possible. Wards are well-defined and well-understood units, which are generally indicative of areas which have a broad community of interest. Any division of these units between constituencies would be likely to break local ties, disrupt political party organisations, and cause difficulties for Electoral Registration and Returning Officers.' This Council further notes that it is possible to create a new constituency for Gloucester which retains Westgate Ward in its entirety, avoids splitting wards across 3 constituencies and district councils and meets the statutory range specified. This Council resolves that a letter be sent to the BCE to express our opposition to the splitting of any ward and requesting that they adopt a solution which retains the whole of Westgate and removes a different ward."

On being put to the vote, the motion was lost.

(4) Moved by Councillor James and seconded by Councilor Organ.

"This Council:

 Welcomes the broad and cross-party support for the campaign to oppose the Boundary Commission's current proposals for the Gloucester constituency;

2) Urges all parties and the public to support the alternative put forward by the City's Conservatives as the best way to keep the historic city centre in the Gloucester constituency."

An amendment to remove clause 2 of the motion was moved by Councillor Haigh and seconded by Councillor Hilton. On being put to the vote, the amendment was lost.

The motion was carried and it was

#### **RESOLVED** that

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- 2) Urges all parties and the public to support the alternative put forward by the City's Conservatives as the best way to keep the historic city centre in the Gloucester constituency."

#### 65. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

**RESOLVED** that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the following item of business on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public are present during consideration of this item there will be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Section 100(I) of the Local Government Act, 1972 as amended.

#### 66. ASPIRE'S THREE YEAR BUSINESS PLAN 2011 - 2014

The Council considered a report by the Aspire Sports and Cultural Trust outlining the trusts three Year Business Plan 2011- 2014.

### **RESOLVED** that

- 1) The Aspire Sports and Cultural Trust Three Year Business Plan 2011 2014 be noted; and
- 2) The financial planning model proposed therein be accepted as a framework to further reduce the management fee beyond 2014.

Time of commencement: 19:00 hours Time of conclusion: 22:50 hours

Chair