

**THE ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING of the COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF GOSPORT** was held in the Council Chamber at the **TOWN HALL, GOSPORT on THURSDAY, the NINETEENTH day of MAY 2011 at 6.00PM.**

Attendance:

The Mayor (Councillor Carter, C R) (P) (in the Chair);

Councillors Allen (P), Mrs Bailey (P), Ms Ballard (P), Beavis (P), Bradley (P), Burgess (P), Carter C K (P), Chegwyn (P), Mrs Cully (P), Dickson (P), Edgar (P), Edwards (P), Mrs Forder (P), Forder (P), Foster-Reed (P), Geddes (P), Henshaw, Mrs Hook (P), Hook (P), Hylands (P), Jacobs (P), Jessop (P), Kimber (P), Lane (P), Langdon (P), Murphy (P), Philpott (P), Ronayne (P), Scard (P), Mrs Searle (P), Smith (P), Miss West and Wright (P).

Also in attendance: Honorary Aldermen Foster and Train.

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**APOLOGIES**

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors Henshaw and Miss West and Honorary Aldermen Gill, Lucas and O'Neill.

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**MINUTES**

**COUNCIL RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council held on 6 April 2011 be confirmed and signed.**

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**MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

**(A) STAFF LEAVERS**  
**DAVID JAGO, ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGER**

The Mayor reported that Members would be aware that a number of officers who had served the council for many years would be leaving in the near future due to the national cut backs. On behalf of the council he wished to thank each and every one of them for their hard work and the excellent service they had shown

to the council and the Borough.

In particular he wished to say a big thank you to Mr David Jago who would shortly be leaving the council; tonight being his last council meeting. Mr Jago had joined the council in 1983 as a specialist Environmental Health Officer and after becoming Head of Environmental Health became the council's Environmental Services Manager in 2005. On behalf of the council the Mayor thanked him for all he had done for Gosport and wished him well for the future.

**(B) CELEBRATE! GOSPORT (11-26 JUNE 2011)**

The Mayor referred to the publication of the above brochure which detailed a variety of events and supporting acts over a two week period. This included Gosport's Big Day Out and Stokes Bay Grand Finale.

**(C) CHURCH SERVICES**

The Mayor in conclusion advised of the start of Twinning later this evening and the church service on Sunday at 10.00am at St Mary's Church, Alverstoke. The Civic Sunday church service would be held at 10.00am on 17 July at St Faith's Church, Lee-on-the-Solent. The service would be conducted by the Mayor's Chaplain, the Reverend Peter Sutton. Joining him and the Mayor would be the new Bishop of Portsmouth, the Right Reverend Christopher Foster.

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**ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

Councillor Burgess proposed and Councillor Ronayne seconded the Motion that Councillor Richard James Dickson be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Gosport for the Municipal Year ending May 2012.

**COUNCIL RESOLVED: That Councillor Richard James Dickson be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Gosport for the Municipal Year ending May 2012.**

The Deputy Mayor made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office and returned thanks for his election.

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**REVIEW OF COUNCIL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES AND DETERMINATION OF ALLOCATION OF SEATS**

The Borough Solicitor had submitted an Addendum report in addition to the original report she had circulated with the agenda to Members of the Council in connection with the above.

The report updated Council on the formation of a fifth political group on the Council and the necessary issuing of revised advice to the Council of the balance of the seats on the Council and the position with regard to Political Groups and the review undertaken by the Borough Solicitor in accordance with the "Proportionality Rules" of the balance of seats on the Boards and Committees of the Council. Since the publication of her original report the Borough Solicitor had received notice of the formation of a new political group called the Independent Group and comprising 2 members.

The Council had five Boards and one Overview and Scrutiny Committee; there were 68 seats to be allocated in accordance with the proportionality rules. However as the tables in the report indicated it was not possible to allocate the 68 seats in exact proportion as each Political Group had on the Council.

The proportionality rules did not apply to the Standards and Governance Committee.

**RECOMMENDED: That the Council approve:**

- (i) the allocation of seats on the Boards and Committee as set out in paragraph 3.1 of the Addendum report; and**
- (ii) the allocation of seats on the Standards and Governance Committee as set out in paragraph 4.2 of the original report.**

**MOTION: That the above recommendations be approved and adopted.**

**The Motion was accordingly put to the meeting and duly RESOLVED.**

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#### **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF POLICY AND ORGANISATION BOARD**

**COUNCIL RESOLVED: That Councillor Hook be appointed Chairman of the Policy and Organisation Board for the 2011/2012 Municipal Year.**

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#### **APPOINTMENT OF BOARDS, NOMINATED DEPUTIES FOR THE REGULATORY AND LICENSING BOARDS, OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AND STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AND PANELS AND OUTSIDE BODIES**

Members considered a provisional list (a copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix "C1") of appointments to vacancies listed above for the Municipal Year 2011/12.

**COUNCIL RESOLVED: That the provisional list of appointments to**

**vacancies listed above for the Municipal Year 2011/2012 be approved and adopted.**

## **REVIEW OF SCHEME OF ALLOWANCES FOR MEMBERS – REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL**

The Borough Solicitor had submitted to Members of the Council a report on the above. The purpose of her report was to request council to consider the report and recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel and agree any changes to the current Scheme of Allowances for Members. Appended to her report was the Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel May 2011 (including Appendices).

### **RECOMMENDED:**

#### **A.**

**That the Council agrees each of the following recommendations from the Independent Remuneration Panel as set out in their report dated May 2011:**

- 1. In line with the current Scheme, no more than 50% of Members of Gosport Borough Council are to receive Special Responsibility allowances at any one time;**
- 2. The Basic Allowance be paid at £5,630.00 per annum which has been calculated by reference to the work involved and no provision has been included for other out of pocket expenses;**
- 3. No Member should be entitled to receive more than one Special Responsibility Allowance;**
- 4. Special Responsibility Allowances should be paid for the following roles and in the following amounts:**

**Leader of the Council: £13,078**

**Chairmen of Service Boards, Regulatory Board and Licensing Board: £4,188**

**Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Committee: £3,141**

**Opposition Group Leaders Special Responsibility Allowance be calculated in accordance with the formula set out in paragraph 36 of the Independent Remuneration Panel's Report and paid in the following amounts:**

**Liberal Democrat Group Leader: £2,068.91**

**Labour Group Leader: £1,034.45**

**Independent Liberal Democrats Group Leader: £689.64;**

- 5. Vice Chairmen of Boards do not receive a Special Responsibility Allowance;**
- 6. Deputy Leader does not receive a Special Responsibility Allowance;**
- 7. Travel Allowance should only be paid for travel outside of the Borough on approved duties at 40.9 pence per mile;**
- 8. The Basic Allowance and Special Responsibility Allowance should be subject to an annual adjustment equal to percentage increase in the national average weekly earnings as published in January of each year in the New Earnings Survey and implemented in April of each year;**
- 9. Child Care and Dependent Carers' Allowances should be retained and paid at the hourly rate for the National Minimum Wage for attendance at formally approved meetings only (not constituency work). The number of hours to be paid per week is the lower of the total time spent at no more than 2 meetings in that week or 8 hours subject to a maximum allowance, per Councillor, of £2,000 per year.**
- 10. A Co-optees Allowance is not paid;**
- 11. Where a Councillor is suspended or partially suspended, the Basic Allowance: Special Responsibility Allowance; and Travel Allowance payable in respect of the period of suspension or partial suspension should be withheld;**
- 12. The current Member pension scheme is retained; and**
- 13. Any amendment which affects an allowance payable for the year in which the amendment is made shall apply with effect from 1 April of the year in which the amendment is made.**

**B.**

**That the Council agrees that the current provisions relating to payments set out in paragraphs 2.3 and 2.4 of the Borough Solicitor's report continue.**

**It was reported that in order to reflect 12 Opposition Members the Special Responsibility Allowance payments to Opposition Group Leaders in recommendation 4 above would need to be amended as follows:**

**Liberal Democrat Group Leader: £1,580.42**  
**Labour Group Leader: £948.25**  
**Independent Liberal Democrats Group Leader: £632.17**  
**Independent Group Leader: £632.17**

**MOTION:** That the above recommendations, as amended for Special Responsibility Allowance payments to Opposition Group Leaders, be approved and adopted.

Upon the Motion being put to the meeting, in accordance with Standing Order 4.12.4, it was requisitioned that the voting on the Motion be recorded. A recorded vote was thereupon taken and the names of the Members voting for the Motion and those abstaining were read to the Council as follows:

**FOR THE MOTION:** The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors Allen, Beavis, Burgess, Carter, CK, Edgar, Edwards, Geddes, Mrs Hook, Hook, Jacobs, Jessop, Kimber, Lane, Langdon, Murphy, Philpott, Ronayne and Scard (20).

**ABSTENTIONS:** Councillors Mrs Bailey, Ms Ballard, Bradley, Chegwyn, Mrs Cully, Mrs Forder, Forder, Foster-Reed, Hylands, Mrs Searle, Smith and Wright (12).

The Motion was accordingly declared **CARRIED**.

**COUNCIL RESOLVED:** That the Motion be approved and adopted.

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## **TREASURY MANAGEMENT – INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

The Deputy Chief Executive and Borough Treasurer had submitted a report on the above. The report requested council to consider an amendment to the Council's Investment Strategy that would offer the council more flexibility to place temporary surplus funds securely with the prospect of improved returns by virtue of reduced management fees.

**COUNCIL RESOLVED:** That the Council amends the Treasury Management Strategy to specifically include use of UK Regulated Qualifying Money Market Funds.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Mayor adjourned the Council meeting at 7.04pm so that new Board and Committee members could elect their respective Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen. The meeting re-convened at 7.19pm.

**The meeting ended at 7.20pm**

## APPENDIX C1

### PROVISIONAL BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FOR 2011/2012 MUNICIPAL YEAR

#### POLICY & ORGANISATION BOARD

Councillor Beavis  
Councillor Burgess  
Councillor Chegwyn  
Councillor Mrs Forder  
Councillor Hook  
Councillor Lane  
Councillor Langdon  
Councillor Philpott  
Councillor Smith  
Councillor Wright

#### LICENSING BOARD

Councillor Allen  
Councillor Ms Ballard  
Councillor Beavis  
Councillor Bradley  
Councillor Carter, C K  
Councillor Mrs Cully  
Councillor Edwards  
Councillor Foster-Reed  
Councillor Jacobs  
Councillor Murphy  
Councillor Scard  
Councillor Miss West

#### COMMUNITY BOARD

Councillor Mrs Bailey  
Councillor Burgess  
Councillor Carter, C K  
Councillor Mrs Cully  
Councillor Edgar  
Councillor Mrs Forder  
Councillor Henshaw  
Councillor Hylands  
Councillor Mrs Hook  
Councillor Jessop  
Councillor Kimber  
Councillor Murphy

#### OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Councillor Bradley  
Councillor Dickson  
Councillor Forder  
Councillor Foster-Reed  
Councillor Geddes  
Councillor Hylands  
Councillor Jacobs  
Councillor Jessop  
Councillor Kimber  
Councillor Scard  
Councillor Mrs Searle  
Councillor Miss West

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Councillor Allen  
Councillor Chegwyn  
Councillor Edgar  
Councillor Mrs Forder  
Councillor Mrs Hook  
Councillor Kimber  
Councillor Lane  
Councillor Langdon  
Councillor Ronayne  
Councillor Mrs Searle

#### STANDARDS & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Councillor Chegwyn  
Councillor Forder  
Councillor Jessop  
Councillor Philpott  
Councillor Scard  
Councillor Wright

#### Independent Members

Mr R V Perry (14 May 2012)  
Mr G A Lidgley (30 September 2012)

#### REGULATORY BOARD

Councillor Allen  
Councillor Mrs Bailey  
Councillor Beavis  
Councillor Geddes  
Councillor Henshaw  
Councillor Hylands  
Councillor Langdon  
Councillor Philpott  
Councillor Ronayne  
Councillor Scard  
Councillor Smith  
Councillor Wright

**\*The Mayor (Councillor Carter, C R) & Chairman of the Policy & Organisation Board (Councillor Hook) are ex-officio Members of all Boards unless named in the membership of the respective Board.**



## REGULATORY BOARD

### PROVISIONAL NOMINATED DEPUTIES FOR 2011/2012 MUNICIPAL YEAR

#### **Conservative Group**

Councillor Burgess  
Councillor Carter, C K  
Councillor Carter, C R  
Councillor Dickson  
Councillor Edgar  
Councillor Edwards  
Councillor Mrs Hook  
Councillor Hook  
Councillor Jacobs  
Councillor Jessop  
Councillor Kimber  
Councillor Lane  
Councillor Murphy  
Councillor Miss West

#### **Labour Group**

Councillor Mrs Cully  
Councillor Mrs Searle

#### **Liberal Democrat Group**

Councillor Ms Ballard  
Councillor Chegwyn  
Councillor Foster-Reed

#### **Independent Group**

Councillor Bradley

## LICENSING BOARD

### PROVISIONAL NOMINATED DEPUTIES FOR 2011/2012 MUNICIPAL YEAR

#### **Conservative Group**

Councillor Burgess  
Councillor Carter, C R  
Councillor Dickson  
Councillor Edgar  
Councillor Geddes

**Conservative Group (contd)**

Councillor Henshaw  
Councillor Mrs Hook  
Councillor Hook  
Councillor Jessop

Councillor Kimber  
Councillor Lane  
Councillor Langdon  
Councillor Philpott  
Councillor Ronayne

**Labour Group**

Councillor Mrs Searle

**Liberal Democrat Group**

Councillor Mrs Bailey  
Councillor Chegwyn  
Councillor Hylands

**Independent Group**

Councillor Smith

**PROVISIONAL PANEL & OUTSIDE BODIES MEMBERSHIP FOR THE  
2011/2012 MUNICIPAL YEAR**

**POLICY AND ORGANISATION BOARD**

**OTHER PANELS & OUTSIDE BODIES**

**CCTV PARTNERSHIP PANEL**

Councillor Jessop

**CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS PANEL**

Panels to comprise 3 members to be selected from:  
Councillors Ms Ballard, Forder, Langdon, Ronayne, Mrs Searle and Wright

**GOSPORT COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGIC BOARD**

Councillor Hook (Standing Deputy: Mr P Wilson, Deputy Chief Executive and  
Borough Treasurer)

**GOSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMUNITY SAFETY PANEL**

Councillors Edwards, Mrs Forder, Geddes, Henshaw, Hylands, Mrs Searle  
and Miss West

**GOSPORT ROYAN TWINNING FORUM**

Deputy Mayor (Councillor Dickson) and Councillors Beavis, Carter, C R, Mrs  
Forder and Philpott

**LOCAL JOINT STAFF COMMITTEE**

Councillors Burgess, Chegwyn, Mrs Forder, Hook, Lane and Wright and one  
vacancy

**AGE CONCERN (HANTS)**

Councillor Kimber

**CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU**

The Mayor (Councillor Carter, C R)

## **GOSPORT BOROUGH EDUCATIONAL TRUST**

Councillor Edgar and Forder and Deputy Chief Executive and Borough Treasurer

## **GOSPORT SOCIETY**

The Mayor (Councillor Carter, C R) (ex-officio) and Councillor Scard

## **GOSPORT VOLUNTARY ACTION**

The Mayor (Councillor Carter, C R) (ex-officio) and Councillors Mrs Cully, Forder and Mrs Hook

## **HANTS & IOW LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

Councillors Lane and Langdon

## **HM SUBMARINE AFFRAY ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE**

The Mayor (Councillor Carter, C R) and Councillors Burgess and Ronayne

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

Councillor Hook

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION – COASTAL ISSUES SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SIG)**

Councillor Kimber

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION – FOURTH OPTION SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SIG)**

Councillor Murphy

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION –**

### **(a) Urban Commission**

Councillors Burgess and Murphy

## **RELATE**

Councillor Mrs Forder

**ST VINCENT CORPORATION GOVERNOR**

Honorary Alderman Gill

**SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS**

Councillor Carter, C R

**SURESTART**

Councillor Mrs Searle

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**COMMUNITY BOARD**

**OTHER PANELS & OUTSIDE BODIES**

**COASTAL PANEL**

Councillors Burgess, Mrs Cully, Forder and Kimber

**AGAMEMNON HOUSING SOCIETY LIMITED**

Councillor Geddes

**A2 DOMINION LOCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillors Mrs Cully and Mrs Searle  
(Standing Deputies: Councillors Burgess and Kimber)

**AIR TRAINING CORPS – 1098 (GOSPORT) SQUADRON COMMITTEE**

Councillor Carter, C K

**ALLOTMENTS STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTATIVE GROUP**

Councillors Mrs Cully, Dickson and Hylands

**ALVERSTOKE TRUST**

Honorary Alderman Hayward until February 2013 and Surgeon Captain T Hall until September 2015.

**BRIDGEMARY COMMUNITY SPORTS COLLEGE CENTRE  
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Geddes

**BRIDGEMARY, ROWNER AND WOODCOT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

Councillor Geddes

**BRUNE PARK COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Carter, C K

**FAREHAM AND GOSPORT MIND**

Councillor Allen

**GOD'S PORT HOUSING SOCIETY**

The Mayor (Councillor Carter, C R)

**GOSPORT AVIATION SOCIETY**

Councillor Scard

**GOSPORT BOROUGH FOOTBALL CLUB**

Councillor Jacobs

**GOSPORT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION – MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Mrs Searle

**GOSPORT/FAREHAM JOINT ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PANEL**

Councillor Burgess

**GOSPORT HEALTH INEQUALITIES PARTNERSHIP**

Councillors Allen and Edgar

**GROUNDWORK SOLENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Councillors Allen and Beavis

**MRS HAMPER FUND CHARITY**

Mrs Megson and Mr Brodley appointed until July 2012

**SOUTH HAMPSHIRE ROAD SAFETY COUNCIL**

Councillor Scard

**HEDCA GENERAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Ms Ballard

**HOMESTART – GOSPORT & FAREHAM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Jacobs

**JOINT AUTHORITIES GYPSIES & TRAVELLERS PANEL**

Councillors Forder, Langdon and Mrs Searle

**LEE-ON-THE-SOLENT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

Councillor Carter, C R

**PEEL COMMON ODOUR FORUM**

Councillors Mrs Hook, Philpott and Wright

**PORTCHESTER CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE**

Councillors Edgar and Wright  
(Standing Deputy: Councillor Carter, C R)

**PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY  
PANEL**

Councillor Edgar (co-opted representative)

**PORTSMOUTH & GOSPORT JOINT BOARD (appointed until 31  
December 2011)**

Councillors Burgess, Edgar, Edwards, Hook, Mrs Searle and Smith

**PROJECT INTEGRA STRATEGIC BOARD**

Councillor Kimber

## **PROJECT INTEGRA POLICY REVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Councillor Mrs Forder  
(Standing Deputy: Councillor Forder)

## **SOLENT SEA RESCUE ORGANISATION**

Councillor Ronayne

## **STANDING CONFERENCE ON COASTLINE PROBLEMS**

Councillor Kimber

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## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

### **OTHER PANELS & OUTSIDE BODIES**

## **GOSPORT MUSEUM JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillors Mrs Hook and Kimber and one vacancy

## **ENTERPRISE FIRST**

Conservative: Councillor Edgar

## **GOSPORT DEVELOPMENT TRUST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Kimber

## **HAMPSHIRE ACTION TEAM (HAT) (FAREHAM AND GOSPORT) (HIGHWAYS)**

Councillor Langdon

## **HCC TRANSPORT FOR SOUTH HAMPSHIRE JOINT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Langdon and Mr D Duckett, Transport and Traffic Liaison Officer

## **PARTNERSHIP FOR URBAN SOUTH HAMPSHIRE (PUSH) JOINT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Hook  
(Standing Deputy: Councillor Lane)



**PARTNERSHIP FOR URBAN SOUTH HAMPSHIRE (PUSH) JOINT  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Councillor Forder

**PARTNERSHIP FOR URBAN SOUTH HAMPSHIRE (PUSH) ECONOMY  
DELIVERY PANEL**

Councillor Lane and Mrs L Dine, Head of Economic Prosperity, Tourism and  
Culture

**ROYAL NAVY SUBMARINE MUSEUM**

Councillor Ronayne

**TOURISM SOUTH EAST**

Councillor Lane

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**REGULATORY BOARD**

**OTHER PANELS & OUTSIDE BODIES**

**GOSPORT/FAREHAM JOINT BUILDING CONTROL PANEL**

Councillor Carter, C R