

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL  
HELD ON 8 JUNE 2016 AT 6.00pm**

**Attendance:**

The Mayor (Councillor Mrs. Hook) (P) (in the Chair);

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mrs. Batty) (P);

Councillors Allen (P) , Ms. Ballard (P), Bateman (P), Beavis, Bergin (P), Burgess (P), Carter (P), Chegwyn (P), Mrs. Cully (P), Ms. Diffey (P), Earle (P), Edgar (P), Farr (P), Mrs. Forder, Foster-Reed (P), Mrs. Furlong (P), Hicks (P), Hook (P), Mrs. Huggins (P), Hylands (P), Jessop (P), Mrs. Jones (P), Miss Kelly (P), Mrs. Morgan (P), Murphy (P), Philpott (P), Mrs. Prickett (P), Raffaelli (P), Ronayne (P), Scard (P), Mrs. Wright (P) and Wright (P).

**Also in Attendance:**

Honorary Freeman O'Neil, Honorary Aldermen Foster, Gill and Kimber

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**APOLOGIES**

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors Beavis and Mrs. Forder.

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**MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

There were none.

**DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations received.

**QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 3.4**

There were no questions received.

**STANDING ORDER 4.15.1**

The Mayor reported that notice of motion had been received requesting that Standing Order 4.15.1 be waived to enable the Leader of the Council to present his entitled Proposal for Shared Management.

**COUNCIL RESOLVED: That Standing Order 4.15.1 be waived to enable the Leader of the Council to present his report Proposal for Shared Management.**

## **STANDING ORDERS 4.11.1 and 4.11.7**

The Mayor reported that notice of motion had been received requesting that Standing Order 4.11.1 (excluding paragraphs 4.11.1 (a) (b) and (c)) and Standing Order 4.11.7 be suspended to allow Members to be free to speak more than once on the item.

**COUNCIL RESOLVED:** That Standing that the suspension of Standing Order 4.11.1 (excluding paragraphs (a) (b) and (c)) and 4.11.7 be moved to allow Members to speak more than once on the item.

## **EXEMPTION OF THE PUBLIC**

The Mayor advised the Council that Appendix B of the report of the Leader of the Council was an exempt item.

The motion was therefore proposed that in relation to the Appendix B of the report of the Leader of the Council, the public be excluded from the meeting should the appendix be discussed, as 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 public were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within Paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and further that in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemptions outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons set out in the report.

**COUNCIL RESOLVED:** That in relation to the following item the public be excluded from the meeting, should Appendix B of the report of the Leader of the Council be discussed, as 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 public were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within Paragraph 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and further that in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemptions outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons set out in the report.

## **PROPOSAL FOR SHARED MANAGEMENT**

Consideration was given to the report of the Leader of the Council detailing proposals to share management in order to meet the significant financial challenges facing the Council.

The Leader of the Council introduced his report and requested that his thanks to the Officers detailed in the report, for their commitment and hard work for the Council, be placed on record.

**MOTION:** That:

**Council agree subject to Portsmouth City Council confirming agreement to the shared management arrangements set out in this report :-**

- 1. That the posts of Chief Executive (post no. CE1); Borough Solicitor and Deputy Chief Executive (post no. LA1); and Borough Treasurer (post no. FS4) are made redundant on 30 September 2016;**
- 2. That the shared management of Housing Services as set out in paragraph 3.5 of this report commences on 13 June 2016;**
- 3. That the shared management of Economic Prosperity, Tourism and Culture commences on 1 July 2016**

4. That the shared management of Personnel commences on 1 October 2016 and Council notes that the post of Head of Personnel (post no ) will be made redundant on 30 September 2016;
5. That the shared management of Pay & Central Services commences on 1 November 2016 and Council notes that the post of Head of Pay & Central Services will be made redundant on 31 October 2016;
6. The financial details of the redundancies referred to in Recommendations 1 and 5 as set out in Table 1 of Appendix B;
7. To enter into an agreement with Portsmouth City Council under Section 113 of the Local Government Act 1972, and all other relevant powers, to formalise the shared management arrangements;
8. To delegate authority to Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council to approve the final terms of the agreement referred to in 7 above.

An amendment was proposed as follows:

**Add at the end of 6:**

**And the sums being paid to the individual officers should be made public with the names of the individuals and their Post Nos. /Job Titles remaining confidential.**

**Delete 8 and replace with:**

**To bring back to Full Council for approval any changes to the final terms of the agreement referred to in 7 above.**

**Add new 9:**

**That, notwithstanding the decisions on shared management, it is the view of this Council that Gosport should remain an independent Council and should not become part of a combined or unitary authority.**

This was seconded.

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

**FOR THE AMENDMENT:** Councillors Chegwyn, Mrs. Cully, Ms. Diffey, Earle, Farr, Foster-Reed, Hicks, Hylands, Miss Kelly, Mrs. Prickett, Mrs. Wright, Wright,(12)

**AGAINST THE AMENDMENT:** Councillors Allen, Bateman, Mrs. Batty, Bergin, Burgess, Carter, Edgar, Furlong, Hook, Mrs. Hook, Huggins, Jessop, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Morgan, Murphy, Philpott, Raffaelli, Ronayne, Scard (19)

**The amendment was LOST.**

The motion was then put to the Council, it was proposed that each recommendation of the motion be taken individually, this proposal was LOST.

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**AGAINST THE MOTION:** Councillors Chegwyn, Mrs. Cully, Ms. Diffey, Earle, Farr, Foster-Reed, Hicks, Hylands, Miss Kelly, Mrs. Prickett, Mrs. Wright, Wright,**(12)**

The motion was CARRIED

**The motion was accordingly put to the meeting and duly RESOLVED**

**The meeting ended at 19.56**