

## Council Minutes

The minutes of the Council meeting held on Thursday, 12 April 2018 at the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Poulton-le-Fylde.

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### Councillors present:

The Mayor, Councillor Alice Collinson and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Julie Robinson

Councillors Ian Amos, Rita Amos, Marge Anderton, Lady Dulcie M Atkins, Howard Ballard, Michael Barrowclough, Lorraine Beavers, Roger Berry, Barry Birch, Colette Birch, Simon Bridge, Peter Cartridge, Sue Catterall, Ruth Duffy, Emma Ellison, Rob Fail, John Hodgkinson, Graham Holden, John Ibison, Tom Ingham, Andrea Kay, Terry Lees, Paul Moon, Pete Murphy, Phil Orme, Patsy Ormrod, Cheryl Raynor, Julie Robinson, Ron Shewan, Christine Smith, Brian Stephenson, Evelyn Stephenson, Ann Turner, Shaun Turner, Alan Vincent, Matthew Vincent, Michael Vincent, Lynn Walmsley and Val Wilson

**Apologies:** Councillors E Anderton, Balmain, Bowen, I Duffy, Gibson, Greenhough, Henderson, Jones, McKay and Pimbley

### Officers present:

Garry Payne, Chief Executive  
Marianne Hesketh, Service Director Performance and Innovation  
Mark Broadhurst, Service Director Health and Wellbeing  
Roy Saunders, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager

**Also present:** No members of the public or press attended the meeting.

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### COU89 Confirmation of minutes

Cllr A Vincent proposed and Cllr Murphy seconded a proposal that the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 8 March 2018 and 21 March 2018 be confirmed as a correct record.

### **RESOLVED:**

1. That the minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2018 be confirmed as a correct record (by 26 votes to 0 with 10 abstentions).
2. That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2018 be confirmed

as a correct record (by all those present at the meeting on 21 March).

**COU90      Declarations of Interest**

None.

**COU91      Announcements**

The Mayor announced that all the available tickets for the Mayor's Ball to be held on Friday 20 April 2018 had now been sold. She said, however, that raffle tickets for the prize draw to be made at the Ball could still be purchased.

**COU92      Public questions or statements**

None.

**COU93      Questions "On Notice" from councillors**

The following questions were submitted by Councillor Lady Atkins under Procedure Rule 12.1:

1. *Why are Keyworker Homes delaying completion of the contract for the redevelopment of the Garstang Community Centre? Could I be given an indication when this would happen?*
2. *Is the responsible Portfolio Holder aware of the increasing concerns in Garstang at the delays in proceeding with the redevelopment of the Garstang Community Centre and what does he propose to do to allay those concerns?*

The Resources Portfolio Holder (Cllr A Vincent) said in response:

- That Keyworker Homes had given a number of reasons for the delay in completing the purchase of this site from the Council, most of which were covered by legal privilege, but they had recently indicated that they would be ready to exchange contracts soon;
- That the Council had now set a deadline of 31 May 2018 for the exchange of contracts and the purchasers had indicated they would beat that deadline;
- That the delays in completing the sale had been frustrating and the Council had used its best endeavours to speed up the process;
- That if the exchange of contracts had not taken place by the specified deadline the Council would have to consider re-marketing the site.
- That the latest information available suggested, however, that it would be possible to exchange contracts with Keyworker homes by the end of May, which would enable the sale to be completed a couple of months after that.

## **COU94    Executive reports**

- (a)    Leader of the Council (Councillor Henderson)

The Leader of the Council (Cllr Henderson) submitted a report.

In the absence of Cllr Henderson, the Resources Portfolio Holder and Deputy Leader (Cllr A Vincent) introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Cllrs B Stephenson, Fail and Lady Atkins.

**RESOLVED**: that the report be noted.

- (b)    Resources Portfolio Holder (Councillor A Vincent)

The Resources Portfolio Holder (Councillor A Vincent) submitted a report.

Cllr Vincent responded to a question and comments and questions from Cllr R Duffy.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

- (c)    Street Scene, Parks and Open Spaces Portfolio Holder (Councillor Henderson)

The Street Scene, Parks and Open Spaces Portfolio Holder (Cllr Henderson) submitted a report.

In the absence of Cllr Henderson, the Resources Portfolio Holder and Deputy Leader (Cllr A Vincent) introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Cllr A Turner, Cllr M Anderton and Cllr Ballard.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

- (d)    Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (Councillor Murphy)

The Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (Councillor Murphy) submitted a report.

Cllr Murphy informed Council that, since his report had been drafted, the consultation process on the Masterplan for the Hillhouse Enterprise Zone, referred to in paragraph 3.1 of his report, had been slightly delayed to enable amendments to be made to the plan.. The consultation would now be carried out later in the Spring than previously envisaged. He confirmed that a drop-in event would still take place at Thornton Football Club during the process, on a date to be announced.

Cllr Murphy responded to questions and comments from Cllrs S Turner, Hodgkinson, Shewan and Lees.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

- (e) Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder (Councillor Berry)

The Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder (Councillor Berry) submitted a report.

When introducing his report, Cllr Berry said that paragraph 4.2 should have referred to the establishment of a new Flood Action Group in Great Ecclestone, not in St Michaels, where there was already an established group in place.

Cllr Berry responded to comments and questions from Cllr Shewan, Cllr Fail, Cllr B Stephenson and Cllr Bridge.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

- (f) Leisure and Culture Portfolio Holder (Councillor Bowen)

The Leisure and Culture Portfolio Holder (Councillor Bowen) submitted a report.

In the absence of Cllr Bowen, the Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (Cllr Murphy) introduced the report..

No comments were made or questions asked about Cllr Bowen's report.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

- (g) Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder (Cllr Michael Vincent)

The Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder (Cllr Michael Vincent) submitted a report.

When introducing his report, Cllr Michael Vincent referred to forthcoming coverage of the 'Healthier Fleetwood campaign' on BBC radio and television. He responded to questions and comments from Cllrs Kay and Cllr Lady Atkins.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

Comments and questions from Cabinet members

None

**COU95 Treasury management policy, annual investment strategy and minimum revenue provision policy statement 2018/19**

The Resources Portfolio Holder and Deputy Leader (Cllr A Vincent) and the Head of Finance submitted a report proposing that the three treasury management policy documents for 2018/19 considered by the Cabinet on 21 March 2018, be confirmed.

**RESOLVED** (unanimously): that the Treasury Management Policy, Annual Investment Strategy and the Minimum Revenue Policy Statement for 2018/19, as set out in the Appendices to the report, be approved.

**COU96 Police and crime panel: nomination of second representative**

The Leader of the Council (Cllr Henderson) and the Chief Executive submitted a report to enable a replacement additional representative to be appointed to the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel.

**RESOLVED** (by 29 votes to 0, with 11 abstentions) that Cllr Henderson be appointed as the replacement additional representative on the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel in place of Cllr Gibson.

**COU97 Constitution amendment: council minutes**

The Leader of the council (Cllr Henderson) and the Chief Executive submitted a report on a proposed change to the Constitution.

**RESOLVED** (by 29 votes to 11) that the amended wording of paragraph 19.2 of the Council Procedure Rules in Part 4.01 of the Constitution, relating to the minutes of Council meetings be approved, as set out below:

**19.2 Form of Minutes**

Minutes will be written in a concise style referring only to the documents considered and the decisions take. A footnote will be included in each set of minutes providing a link to the recording of the meeting on the Council's web site.

**COU98 Notices of Motion**

The meeting started at 7.00 pm and finished at 8.06 pm.

*Note: An audio recording of this meeting is available on the Council's web site. You can find it [Here](#)*