



## Council Minutes

The minutes of the Council meeting held on Thursday, 6 September 2018 at the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Poulton-le-Fylde.

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### Councillors present:

The Mayor, Councillor Marge Anderton and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Michael Barrowclough.

Councillors Ian Amos, Rita Amos, Emma Anderton, Lady Dulcie M Atkins, Howard Ballard, Lorraine Beavers, Roger Berry, Barry Birch, Colette Birch, Lynne Bowen, Simon Bridge, Peter Cartridge, Sue Catterall, Alice Collinson, Emma Ellison, Rob Fail, David Henderson, John Hodgkinson, Graham Holden, Tom Ingham, Andrea Kay, Terry Lees, Lesley McKay, Phil Orme, Patsy Ormrod, 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 Balmain, Gibson, Greenhough, Ibison, Jones, Moon, Murphy, Pimbley, Raynor and Robinson.

### Officers present:

Garry Payne, Chief Executive  
Mark Billington, Service Director People and Places  
Marianne Hesketh, Service Director Performance and Innovation  
Mark Broadhurst, Service Director Health and Wellbeing  
Roy Saunders, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager  
Carole Leary, Democratic Services Officer  
Shelley Birch, Health, Partnerships and Early Action Officer, Engagement Team  
Emily Wareing, Engagement and Communications Officer.

**Also present:** Aldermen Bannister and McCann, Jessica Basquill (former Youth Mayor), Daniel Bittley (new Youth Mayor) and four members of the public.

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### 31        **Declarations of Interest**

None.

### 32        **Confirmation of minutes**

Agreed (by 26 votes to 9) that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 19 July 2018 be confirmed as a correct record, subject to Cllr Wilson being deleted from the list of those present and inserted in the list of apologies for absence.

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#### Announcements

1. The Mayor announced that Daniel Bittley, had been elected as Wyre's new Youth Mayor. She said that Daniel lived in Fleetwood, previously attended Milfield School and, having obtained a scholarship, was now a sixth form student at Rossall School. She presented the Badge of Office to Daniel. The Mayor also presented a permanent memento to the retiring Youth Mayor, Jessica Basquill, to commemorate her period of office.
2. The Mayor said that she, the Mayoress and the Deputy Mayor had survived, without injury, their parachute jumps on 2 September and had raised over £2,000 for the Mayor's charities.
3. The Mayor said a belated thank you to all the volunteers who had helped at the Mayor's Charity Stall on Tram Sunday.
4. The Mayor announced that an Afternoon Tea was to be held at the Mount Hotel, Fleetwood on 20 October to raise funds for the Mayor's charities. She said tickets could be obtained from Andrea Mullin.

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#### Public questions or statements

Alderman Roger Brooks had submitted the following question to the Resources Portfolio Holder:

*"Regarding the proposed sale of the former Garstang Rural District Council Office by the Council to Key worker Homes, would the Portfolio Holder confirm that should the sale not be completed by 31 October 2018 that the property will be offered without delay for sale on the open market?"*

**Agreed**, in accordance with paragraph 9.7 of the Council Procedure Rules, that as Alderman Brooks was not present, the Resources Portfolio Holder would send a written response to him and that the contents would be recorded in the minutes.

The letter sent by the Resources Portfolio Holder to Alderman Brooks stated:

*"The Purchaser has confirmed that they are working to a completion date of on or before 31st October 2018. However, In the event of any unforeseen delay, it has been agreed that an extension to 21st December 2018 would be reasonable before final termination of the contract, taking into account the Purchasers' work and expenditure to date, and the additional costs and uncertainty the Council would incur re-marketing the Property. Since the exchange of contracts, the Purchaser has carried out, at their considerable*

*expense, bore hole testing and asbestos surveys and as such has demonstrated their commitment to this development.”*

**35 Questions "On Notice" from councillors**

None received.

**36 Executive reports**

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

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

Cllr Henderson responded to questions and comments from Cllrs Fail, Lees, B Stephenson and Beavers.

**Agreed** that the report be noted.

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

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

Cllr A Vincent responded to questions and comments from Cllrs E Anderton, Hodgkinson, Shewan, and B Stephenson.

**Agreed** that the report be noted.

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

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

Cllr Bridge responded to questions and comments from Cllrs Shewan, Lady Atkins, and Lees.

**Agreed** that the report be noted.

- (d) Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (Councillor Michael Vincent)

The Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (Cllr Michael Vincent) submitted a report.

Cllr Michael Vincent responded to questions and comments from Cllrs Hodgkinson, Shewan, Ellison and B Stephenson.

Cllr Vincent also said he would arrange for a written response to be sent to Cllr E Anderton about the current position with regard to the planning application for the former Fleetwood pier site.

**Agreed** that the report be noted.

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

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

Cllr Berry responded to questions and comments from Cllrs Fail and B Stephenson.

Cllr Berry said, in response to a question from Cllr E Anderton, that he was aware of concerns raised about cyclists speeding on the Promenade and he would be having further discussions with officers about possible measures to improve safety during the next few weeks.

Cllr Berry said, in response to another question from Cllr E Anderton that he would also discuss with officers, ways of reducing problems caused by inappropriate parking of camper vans.

**Agreed** that the report be noted.

- (f) Leisure, Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder (Councillor Bowen)

The Leisure, Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder (Cllr Bowen) submitted a report.

Cllr Bowen responded to questions and comments from Cllrs B Stephenson and Walmsley.

Cllr Bowen said, in response to comments made by Cllrs E Anderton and Lees that she would look into the possibility of inviting school bands and other local musicians to play for the public at the bandstand area at the Marine Hall Gardens.

**Agreed** that the report be noted.

### **37 Planning Committee Periodic Report**

The Chairman of the Planning Committee (Cllr Moon) submitted a report on issues being dealt with by the Planning Committee. (In the absence of the Chairman, the report was introduced by the Vice-Chairman (Cllr Ballard).

**Agreed** that the report be noted.

### **38 Audit Committee Periodic Report**

The Chairman of the Audit Committee (Cllr McKay) submitted a report on issues being dealt with by the audit Committee.

**Agreed** that the report be noted.

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### **Wyre Local Plan 2011 - 2031: Proposed Main Modifications**

The Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (Cllr Michael Vincent) and the Chief Executive submitted a report on the Inspector's Post Hearing Advice, the Council's response to that advice and proposed Main Modifications to the draft Wyre Local Plan.

The Portfolio Holder and the Chief Executive also submitted the following additional documents:

- Updated information on a Sustainability Appraisal and Habitat Regulation Assessment;
- An updated wording to three modifications in the Schedule of Main Modifications.

#### **Agreed:**

1. That the submitted response to the Inspector's Post Hearing Advice be confirmed in relation to matters falling within the responsibility of the Council and set out in paragraphs 5.5 – 5.14 of the report.
2. That it be noted that no further main modifications to the Local Plan were considered necessary as a result of the Sustainability Appraisal Addendum which had now been completed.
3. That it be noted that it had been necessary to add one further Main Modification to the Local Plan (relating to site allocation SA1/13) following the revised Habitats Regulations Assessment which had now been completed.
4. That the update to the Schedule of Main Modifications, submitted to this Council meeting as an additional document, be approved.
5. That, subject to the updates referred to in recommendations 3 and 4 above, the Schedule of Main Modifications to the 'Publication' draft Wyre Local Plan (Appendix 2) and the final Addendum to the Local Plan Sustainability Appraisal be approved for public consultation as outlined in paragraphs 5.19 of the report.
6. That the final Schedule of Main Modifications to the 'Publication' draft Wyre Local Plan be approved for Development Management purposes.
7. That powers be delegated to the Head of Planning Services to prepare necessary Additional Modifications to the 'Publication' draft Wyre Local Plan in consultation with the Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder which improve the clarity of the document and do not alter the substance of the document including factual and typing corrections.

**40 Notices of Motion**

None.

The meeting started at 7.00 pm and finished at 8.25 pm.

*Note: An audio recording of this meeting is available [here](#)*