Time commenced - 6.00 pm Time finished - 7.05 pm

# COUNCIL MEETING 4 MARCH 2013

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Higginbottom) (in the Chair)

Councillors Afzal, Ashburner, Atwal, Bailey, Banwait, Barker, Bayliss, Bolton, Campbell, Carr, Davis, Dhindsa, Harwood, Hickson, Hillier, Holmes, Hussain, Ingall, Jackson, Jennings, Jones, Keith, J Khan, MacDonald, Martin, Naitta, Nawaz, Pegg, Poulter, Radford, Rawson, Redfern, Repton, Roberts, Russell, Sandhu, Shanker, Skelton, Tittley, Troup, Turner, Webb, Whitby,

Williams, F Winter, L Winter, Wood.

### Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Allen, S Khan and Stanton.

#### 72/12 Declarations of Interest

The Monitoring Officer advised all Members that they had a statutory exemption from declaring a disclosable pecuniary interest in Item 10 – The Establishment of a Members Allowances Scheme for 2013/14.

# 73/12 Minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council, held on 30 January 2013, be approved as a correct record, confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

# 74/12 Announcements by the Mayor

The Mayor drew Members' attention to forthcoming events – namely International Women's Day, to be staged within the Council House on Saturday 9 March and a fundraising Firewalk as part of the St George's Day celebrations in April.

The Mayor introduced Master Adam and Master Mark Reeves to the meeting. They each told a joke to Council, in line with the Mayor's stated intention that all meetings during her term would begin with a joke told by a schoolchild.

### 75/12 Statements by Members of the Council Cabinet

No statements were made.

#### 76/12 Public Questions

No questions had been received by the prescribed date.

# 77/12 Written Questions about the Business or Functions of Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Authority and Derby Homes Ltd

There were no written questions about the business or functions of Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Authority or Derby Homes Ltd.

# 78/12 Written Questions from Non Council Cabinet Members

Written questions from Non Council Cabinet Members to Members of the Council Cabinet or Committee Chairs were asked as follows:

1. By Councillor Atwal – concerning consultation on funding arrangements for CCTV, answered by Councillor Banwait, Council Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Streetpride.

# 79/12 Minutes and Recommendations of the Council Cabinet

The Council considered the minutes and recommendations of the Council Cabinet of 20 February 2013 requiring approval of the Council, namely: 151/12 D2N2 Local Transport Body – Proposed Governance Framework and 153/12 Council Tax 2013/14.

Resolved to approve the minutes and recommendations of the Council Cabinet, dated 20 February 2013.

#### 80/12 Members' Allowances Scheme for 2013/14

The Council considered a report of the Strategic Director of Resources relating to the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel for the establishment of a Members' Allowances Scheme for 2013/14.

It was moved by Councillor Bayliss, and seconded, that the motion be amended to read:

To approve the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel and establish a Members' Allowances Scheme for 2013/14 as follows:

- 1. To continue the recent practice of linking the annual uplift of Members' Allowances to the increase in Council employees salaries. For 2013/14 this will be 0%
- To make no changes to the Members' Allowances Scheme, until the Annual Meeting of the Council, on 22 May 2013, recognising that the constitutional appointments are the logical point to introduce change, when all roles are appointed to.

#### and to:

- 1. Record Council's ongoing thanks to the members of the IRP, for their dedication and the many hours of hard work they contribute in reaching the panel's recommendations.
- 2. Note the IRP's finding that the special responsibility allowance, paid to the Leader of the Council, is lower than that paid to holders of equivalent office outside of Derby.
- 3. Resolve that, at a time when the authority is being forced to make redundancies, as a direct result of Government cuts, it would be inappropriate for Council to agree an increase in allowance for any of its members.

The amendment was carried

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### 81/12 Pay Policy Statement

The Council considered a report of the Strategic Director of Resources relating to the Pay Policy Statement.

#### Resolved:

- 1. To approve the Pay Policy Statement.
- 2. To note that the Pay Policy Statement would be published on the Council's website.
- 3. To authorise the Monitoring Officer to make changes to the Constitution, resulting from new regulations and guidance, from the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government

# 82/12 Schedule of Meetings 2013-2015

The Council considered a report of the Strategic Director of Resources, concerning the Schedule of Meetings 2013-2015.

#### Resolved to:

- 1. To note the updated schedule of meetings for 2012-13 detailed at Appendix 1.
- 2. To agree the schedule of meetings for 2013-14 and 2014-15 detailed at Appendices 2 and 3.
- 3. To resolve not to revisit the schedule of meetings at the Annual Meeting unless changes arise requiring further approval.

#### 83/12 Notices of Motion

#### 1. HS2 Strategy Board.

It was moved by Councillor Bayliss and seconded by Councillor Dhindsa that:

'This Council establishes a cross party HS2 Strategy Board, comprising the Leaders of the three political groups and the Cabinet Member for Planning, Environment and Public Protection.

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- Case for the HS2 station to be in Derby.
- To ensure that Derby's rail industry features
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Mayor

# **Schedule of Meetings 2012/13**

		_	a		August	September	October	November	December	January	February	rch	II.	,
Meeting	Day/Time	Мау	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Š	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	Мау
Decision making (non-executive matters)														
Council	Wed 6pm #	23		18		19			19	30		4		22
Audit and Accounts Committee	Wed 6pm		27			5	31		12		6	27		
Personnel Committee	Wed 4pm ^			10		26		20		9		6		8
Decision making (executive matters)														
Council Cabinet	Wed 6pm		13	11	15	12	17	7	5	23	20	13	17	15
Overview and Scrutiny Boards														
Corporate Scrutiny and Climate Change Board	Mon 6pm			2		17		19		28		25		20
Adults and Public Health Board	Mon 6pm		18		13		1	5		21			15	
Planning, Housing and Leisure Board	Tue 6pm		12	24		18		13			19		9	
Neighbourhoods Board	Tue 6pm			17		25		6		15		12	30	
Resources and Governance Board	Mon 6pm *			23	20		15	14		7		18		
Children and Young People Board	Tue 6pm		26			11		20		22		19	30	
Corporate Parenting Sub-Board	Tue 6pm				21		23				5		23	
Regulatory Committees														
Planning Control Committee	Thu 6pm	24	21	26	23	27	18	8	13	10	7	14	18	30
General Licensing / Taxi Licensing and Ap. Committee	Thu 6pm			5	30		4		6		21		11	
Advisory Committees														
Conservation Area Advisory Committee	Thu 6pm		7	12	9	13	25	22	20	17	14	7	4	9
Standing Advisory Committee on Religious Education	Thu 7.15pm		14					1				12		
Group Meetings														
Labour Group	Mon		11	9		10	8	12	10	16	4+		2+	7,14
	6.30pm<										25		29	+28
Conservative Group	Mon 6pm		4	2		3	1	5	3	7	4	4	1	6

<sup>#</sup> except 4 March (Monday 6pm) for budget setting meeting \* except 14 November (Wed 6pm)^ except 20 November (Tue 6pm)

<sup>&</sup>lt; except Weds 16 January, Tues 2 April and Tuesdays throughout May

# **Schedule of Meetings 2013/14**

		Мау	June	<u>^</u>	August	September	October	November	December	lanuary	February	March	April	Мау
Meeting	Day/Time	Σ	ηſ	July	ΑΓ	Se	ŏ	ž	۵	Jai	Fe	Σ	Ā	Σ
Decision making (non-executive matters)														
Council	Wed 6pm	22		17		18			18	29		5		
Audit and Accounts Committee	Wed 6pm		26			4	30		11		5	26		
Personnel Committee	Wed 4pm	8		24		25		20		8		19		7
Decision making (executive matters)														
Council Cabinet	Wed 6pm	15	12	10	14	11	16	6	4	15	12	12	16	14
Overview and Scrutiny Boards														
Corporate Scrutiny and Climate Change Board	Mon 6pm <	20		1		16		21		13		24		5
Adults and Public Health Board	Mon 6pm		17		12	23		11		20			14	
Planning, Housing and Leisure Board	Tue 6pm		11	30		10		12		28			8	
Neighbourhoods Board	Tue 6pm *			16		3		14		14		11		13
Resources and Governance Board	Mon 6pm >			8	19		7	19			3		7	
Children and Young People Board	Tue 6pm #		25		13			13		21		18		6
Corporate Parenting Sub-Board	Tue 6pm				20			5			11		29	
Regulatory Committees														
Planning Control Committee	Thu 6pm	30	20	25	22	26	17	7	12	9	6	13	17	15
General Licensing / Taxi Licensing and Ap. Committee	Thu 6pm			4	29		3		5		20		10	
Advisory Committees														
Conservation Area Advisory Committee	Thu 6pm	9	6	11	8	12	24	28	19	16	13	6	3	8
Standing Advisory Committee on Religious Education	Wed 6pm		19				23				26			
Group Meetings														
Labour Group	Mon 6.30pm^	7, 14 & 28	24	29	27	30	21	18	16	27	24	31	28	
Conservative Group	Mon 6pm	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC

<sup>#</sup> Except Wednesday 13 November

<sup>\*</sup> Except Thursday 14 November

<sup>&</sup>lt; Except Thursday 21 November

<sup>^</sup> Except Tuesdays in May

<sup>&</sup>gt; Except Tuesday 19 November

# Appendix 3

# **Schedule of Meetings 2014/15**

		Мау	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	Мау
Meeting	Day/Time	Σ	nſ	nſ	Αſ	Se	ŏ	ž	Ď	Ja	Fe	Σ	Α	Σ
Decision making (non-executive matters)														
Council	Wed 6pm		25	30		17			17	28		4		20
Audit and Accounts Committee	Wed 6pm			2		10	22		3		4	25		
Personnel Committee	Wed 4pm	7		23		24		12		7		18		6
Decision making (executive matters)														
Council Cabinet	Wed 6pm	14		9	6	3	1 & 29	19	10	14	11	11	15	13
Overview and Scrutiny Boards		•	•		•	•	•	•		•				
Corporate Scrutiny and Climate Change Board	Mon 6pm #	5		7		22		26		26		23		18
Adults and Public Health Board	Mon 6pm			14		29		17		19		16	13	
Planning, Housing and Leisure Board	Tue 6pm			29		9		18		27		3	7	
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Children and Young People Board	Tue 6pm	6		8	26			25		20		17		5
Corporate Parenting Sub-Board	Tue 6pm				19			4			10			19
Regulatory Committees														
Planning Control Committee	Thu 6pm	15		3 & 31	28	25	16	6	11	8	5	12	16	21
General Licensing / Taxi Licensing and Ap. Committee	Thu 6pm			10	21		2		4		19		9	
Advisory Committees														
Conservation Area Advisory Committee	Thu 6pm	8	5	17	7	11	23	27	18	15	12	5	2	7
Standing Advisory Committee on Religious Education	Wed 6pm		18				15				25			
Group Meetings														
Labour Group	Mon 6.30pm^		9, 16 & 23	21	18	15	13	3 & 24	22	19	23	30	27	TBC
Conservative Group	Mon 6pm	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC

<sup>\*</sup> Except Thursday 20 November # Except Wednesday 26 November ^ Except Tuesday 6 May and 27 May