

# **STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL**

## **COUNCIL MEETING**

### **Minutes**

**WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2021**

PRESENT: Councillor K Flunder (Chair)

Councillors J Aberley, R Alcock, C J S Atkins, G Bentley, G Bond, M Bowen, C Brady, B Cawley, S Coleman, J Davies, M A Deaville, B Emery, E Fallows, M Gledhill, T Hall, A Hart, N Hawkins, G Heath, I Herdman, T Holmes, K Hoptroff, B A Hughes, A Hulme, K J Jackson, B Johnson, J T Jones, I Lawson, L D Lea, L A Malyon, K Martin, L Page, I Plant, H Plimley, J Porter, D Price, S E Ralphs MBE, J Redfern, T Riley, P Roberts, P Routledge, J Salt, S Scalise, D Shaw, H Sheldon MBE, L Swindlehurst, P Taylor, E Wain, R Ward, P Wilkinson, M Worthington and N Yates

APOLOGIES: Councillors T McNicol and P Wood

66 **FORMER COUNCILLOR VERA IVERS**

Councillors paid tribute the late former Councillor Vera Ivers and observed a minute's silence in her memory.

67 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 2 December 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

68 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following declarations were made:

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Member Declaring Interest</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>
Agenda Item 7.2 Budget & Medium Term Financial Plan	Cllr. J. Aberley Cllr. G. Bentley Cllr. M. Deaville Cllr. K. Flunder Cllr. D. Price Cllr. E. Wain Cllr. P. Wilkinson	Other Interest – Recipient of Covid Business Grant
Agenda Item 10.2 - Use of Neonicotinoid Pesticides	Cllr. G. Heath Cllr. E. Fallows	Other Interest – Farmer

Agenda Item	Member Declaring Interest	Nature of Interest
General - Matters relating to Licensing	Cllr. M. Deaville Cllr. E. Wain Cllr. P. Wilkinson	Other interest - Current licensee

69 **CHAIRMAN'S OR LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE, IF ANY.**

The Chairman confirmed that remaining balances from the Councillor Community Initiative Fund would be carried forward into the new financial year.

70 **TO CONSIDER AND DEBATE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CABINET, OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANELS AND COMMITTEES, IF ANY.**

70a **LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE - STATEMENTS OF LICENSING POLICY**

That the Council's Licensing Policy 2021-26 be approved.

70b **CABINET - 2021/22 BUDGET & MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2021/22 TO 2024/25**

The report presented the proposed Budget for 2021/22, updated Medium-Term Financial Plan 2021/22 – 2024/25, Capital Strategy 2021/22, proposed Fees and Charges for 2021/22 and Procurement Forward Plan 2021/22.

In accordance with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, councillors voted as follows:

Those voting **FOR**:

Councillors Aberley, Bentley, Bond, Bowen, Davies, Deaville, Emery, Fallows, Flunder, Hall, Hart, Heath, Herdman, Holmes, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Lawson, Lea, Malyon, Martin, Plant, Plimley, Porter, Ralphs, Redfern, Riley, Roberts, Routledge, Scalise, Shaw, Sheldon, Wain, Ward, Wilkinson and Worthington **(36)**

**ABSTENTIONS:**

Councillors Atkins, Brady, Cawley, Coleman, Gledhill, Hoptroff, Jackson, Page, Price, Salt, Swindlehurst, Taylor and Yates. **(13)**

No councillor voted against.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the General Fund Budget for 2021/22 as detailed in Appendix A (section 9) of the report be approved.
2. That the revised Medium-Term Financial Plan (2021/22 to 2024/25) as detailed in Appendix A, including the revised Capital Programme (attached at Annex A of the report) be approved.

3. That the Capital Strategy 2021/22 as set out in Appendix B of the report be approved.
4. That the proposed Fees and Charges for 2021/22 as detailed in Appendix C of the report be approved.
5. That the proposed Procurement Forward Plan for 2021/22, providing the authority to procure based on procurement activity detailed in Appendix D of the report be approved.
6. That a Band D Council Tax of £158.40 for 2021/22 (an increase of £5 or 3.26% from 2021/22) be approved.
7. That a Band D Council Tax of £52.92 for Leek and £10.64 for Biddulph for 2021/22 (no increase from 2020/21) in respect of Special District Expenses be approved.
8. That the Chief Finance Officer's view that the level of reserves were adequate for the Council based on this budget and the circumstances in place at the time of preparing it (Appendix A Annex D of the report) be noted.

70c **AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE - TREASURY MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

RESOLVED:

That the current Treasury Management position as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 be noted.

70d **AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE - TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**

RESOLVED:

That the Annual Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS) 2021/22 be approved.

71 **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM MEETINGS IN THE INTERIM PERIOD PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING, IF ANY.**

72 **SETTING OF THE COUNCIL TAX 2021/22**

RESOLVED:

That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council in accordance with Sections 31A and 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011):

- (a) £29,297,542 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (2) of the Act. (*Gross Expenditure on General Fund Services, Special District Expenses and Parish Precepts*)
- (b) £22,232,390 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (3) of the Act. (*Gross Income including External Financing and the Use of Reserves*)

- (c) £7,065,152 being the amount by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b) above calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A (4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year (*Amount to be Funded from Council Tax*)
- (d) £212.42 being the amount at (c) above divided by the tax base, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31 (B) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year. (*Average Local Council Tax*)
- (e) Appendix B being Council Tax for the SMDC District divided by the tax base plus the Parish Precept and any amounts of special items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area divided the local tax base. (*Band D Charges for each Parish*)
- (f) Appendix C being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at (e) above by the number which, in the proportion applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands (*Charges for all Bands*)
- (g) Appendix D being the aggregate of the local charges in (f) above and the amounts levied by major precepting authorities. (*Total Council Tax charge for each Band in each Parish*)

## APPENDIX B

### Local Council Tax at Band D – 2021/22

Parish	£
Alstonefield	207.99
Alton	189.37
Bagnall	182.80
Biddulph	227.76
Blore	178.40
Bradnop	169.94
Brown Edge	187.07
Butterton	208.60
Caverswall	178.72
Cheadle	234.96
Checkley	200.39
Cheddleton	189.55
Consall	177.57
Cotton	216.81
Dilhorne	181.07
Draycott	185.28
Endon	181.13
Farley	187.27
Fawfieldhead	201.65

Forsbrook	187.35
Grindon	186.06
Heathylee	169.32
Heaton	170.66
Hollinsclough	178.71
Horton	174.07
Ilam	178.40
Ipstones	202.58
Kingsley	186.73
Leek	239.24
Leekfrith	168.40
Longnor	203.66
Longsdon	176.13
Oakamoor	186.12
Onecote	192.49
Quarnford	180.14
Rushton	172.46
Sheen	174.76
Tittesworth	179.40
Warslow	209.78
Waterhouses	202.65
Werrington	211.06
Wetton	196.68
Whiston	186.53

APPENDIX C

Local Council Tax All Bands – 2021/22

Parish	BAND A	BAND B	BAND C	BAND D	BAND E	BAND F	BAND G	BAND H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Alstonefield	138.66	161.77	184.88	207.99	254.21	300.43	346.65	415.98
Alton	126.25	147.29	168.33	189.37	231.45	273.53	315.62	378.74
Bagnall	121.87	142.18	162.49	182.80	223.42	264.04	304.67	365.60
Biddulph	151.84	177.15	202.46	227.76	278.37	328.99	379.60	455.52
Blore	118.93	138.76	158.58	178.40	218.04	257.69	297.33	356.80
Bradnop	113.29	132.18	151.06	169.94	207.70	245.47	283.23	339.88
Brown Edge	124.71	145.50	166.28	187.07	228.64	270.21	311.78	374.14
Butterton	139.07	162.24	185.42	208.60	254.96	301.31	347.67	417.20
Caverswall	119.15	139.00	158.86	178.72	218.44	258.15	297.87	357.44
Cheadle	156.64	182.75	208.85	234.96	287.17	339.39	391.60	469.92
Checkley	133.59	155.86	178.12	200.39	244.92	289.45	333.98	400.78
Cheddleton	126.37	147.43	168.49	189.55	231.67	273.79	315.92	379.10
Consall	118.38	138.11	157.84	177.57	217.03	256.49	295.95	355.14
Cotton	144.54	168.63	192.72	216.81	264.99	313.17	361.35	433.62
Dilhome	120.71	140.83	160.95	181.07	221.31	261.55	301.78	362.14
Draycott	123.52	144.11	164.69	185.28	226.45	267.63	308.80	370.56
Endon	120.75	140.88	161.00	181.13	221.38	261.63	301.88	362.26
Farley	124.85	145.65	166.46	187.27	228.89	270.50	312.12	374.54
Fawfieldhead	134.43	156.84	179.24	201.65	246.46	291.27	336.08	403.30
Forsbrook	124.90	145.72	166.53	187.35	228.98	270.62	312.25	374.70
Grindon	124.04	144.71	165.39	186.06	227.41	268.75	310.10	372.12

Heathylee	112.88	131.69	150.51	169.32	206.95	244.57	282.20	338.64
Heaton	113.77	132.74	151.70	170.66	208.58	246.51	284.43	341.32
Hollinsclough	119.14	139.00	158.85	178.71	218.42	258.14	297.85	357.42
Horton	116.05	135.39	154.73	174.07	212.75	251.43	290.12	348.14
Ilam	118.93	138.76	158.58	178.40	218.04	257.69	297.33	356.80
Ipstones	135.05	157.56	180.07	202.58	247.60	292.62	337.63	405.16
Kingsley	124.49	145.23	165.98	186.73	228.23	269.72	311.22	373.46
Leek	159.49	186.08	212.66	239.24	292.40	345.57	398.73	478.48
Leekfrith	112.27	130.98	149.69	168.40	205.82	243.24	280.67	336.80
Longnor	135.77	158.40	181.03	203.66	248.92	294.18	339.43	407.32
Longsdon	117.42	136.99	156.56	176.13	215.27	254.41	293.55	352.26
Oakamoor	124.08	144.76	165.44	186.12	227.48	268.84	310.20	372.24
Onecote	128.33	149.71	171.10	192.49	235.27	278.04	320.82	384.98
Quarnford	120.09	140.11	160.12	180.14	220.17	260.20	300.23	360.28
Rushton	114.97	134.14	153.30	172.46	210.78	249.11	287.43	344.92
Sheen	116.51	135.92	155.34	174.76	213.60	252.43	291.27	349.52
Tittesworth	119.60	139.53	159.47	179.40	219.27	259.13	299.00	358.80
Warslow	139.85	163.16	186.47	209.78	256.40	303.02	349.63	419.56
Waterhouses	135.10	157.62	180.13	202.65	247.68	292.72	337.75	405.30
Werrington	140.71	164.16	187.61	211.06	257.96	304.86	351.77	422.12
Wetton	131.12	152.97	174.83	196.68	240.39	284.09	327.80	393.36
Whiston	124.35	145.08	165.80	186.53	227.98	269.43	310.88	373.06

## APPENDIX D

### Total Council Tax – 2021/22

Parish	BAND A	BAND B	BAND C	BAND D	BAND E	BAND F	BAND G	BAND H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Alstonefield	1,257.31	1,466.85	1,676.41	1,885.96	2,305.07	2,724.16	3,143.27	3,771.92
Alton	1,244.90	1,452.37	1,659.86	1,867.34	2,282.31	2,697.26	3,112.24	3,734.68
Bagnall	1,240.52	1,447.26	1,654.02	1,860.77	2,274.28	2,687.77	3,101.29	3,721.54
Biddulph	1,270.49	1,482.23	1,693.99	1,905.73	2,329.23	2,752.72	3,176.22	3,811.46
Blore	1,237.58	1,443.84	1,650.11	1,856.37	2,268.90	2,681.42	3,093.95	3,712.74
Bradnop	1,231.94	1,437.26	1,642.59	1,847.91	2,258.56	2,669.20	3,079.85	3,695.82
Brown Edge	1,243.36	1,450.58	1,657.81	1,865.04	2,279.50	2,693.94	3,108.40	3,730.08
Butterton	1,257.72	1,467.32	1,676.95	1,886.57	2,305.82	2,725.04	3,144.29	3,773.14
Caverswall	1,237.80	1,444.08	1,650.39	1,856.69	2,269.30	2,681.88	3,094.49	3,713.38
Cheadle	1,275.29	1,487.83	1,700.38	1,912.93	2,338.03	2,763.12	3,188.22	3,825.86
Checkley	1,252.24	1,460.94	1,669.65	1,878.36	2,295.78	2,713.18	3,130.60	3,756.72
Cheddleton	1,245.02	1,452.51	1,660.02	1,867.52	2,282.53	2,697.52	3,112.54	3,735.04
Consall	1,237.03	1,443.19	1,649.37	1,855.54	2,267.89	2,680.22	3,092.57	3,711.08
Cotton	1,263.19	1,473.71	1,684.25	1,894.78	2,315.85	2,736.90	3,157.97	3,789.56
Dilhome	1,239.36	1,445.91	1,652.48	1,859.04	2,272.17	2,685.28	3,098.40	3,718.08
Draycott	1,242.17	1,449.19	1,656.22	1,863.25	2,277.31	2,691.36	3,105.42	3,726.50
Endon	1,239.40	1,445.96	1,652.53	1,859.10	2,272.24	2,685.36	3,098.50	3,718.20
Farley	1,243.50	1,450.73	1,657.99	1,865.24	2,279.75	2,694.23	3,108.74	3,730.48
Fawfieldhead	1,253.08	1,461.92	1,670.77	1,879.62	2,297.32	2,715.00	3,132.70	3,759.24
Forsbrook	1,243.55	1,450.80	1,658.06	1,865.32	2,279.84	2,694.35	3,108.87	3,730.64
Grindon	1,242.69	1,449.79	1,656.92	1,864.03	2,278.27	2,692.48	3,106.72	3,728.06

Heathlee	1,231.53	1,436.77	1,642.04	1,847.29	2,257.81	2,668.30	3,078.82	3,694.58
Heaton	1,232.42	1,437.82	1,643.23	1,848.63	2,259.44	2,670.24	3,081.05	3,697.26
Hollinsclough	1,237.79	1,444.08	1,650.38	1,856.68	2,269.28	2,681.87	3,094.47	3,713.36
Horton	1,234.70	1,440.47	1,646.26	1,852.04	2,263.61	2,675.16	3,086.74	3,704.08
Ilam	1,237.58	1,443.84	1,650.11	1,856.37	2,268.90	2,681.42	3,093.95	3,712.74
Ipstones	1,253.70	1,462.64	1,671.60	1,880.55	2,298.46	2,716.35	3,134.25	3,761.10
Kingsley	1,243.14	1,450.31	1,657.51	1,864.70	2,279.09	2,693.45	3,107.84	3,729.40
Leek	1,278.14	1,491.16	1,704.19	1,917.21	2,343.26	2,769.30	3,195.35	3,834.42
Leekfrith	1,230.92	1,436.06	1,641.22	1,846.37	2,256.68	2,666.97	3,077.29	3,692.74
Longnor	1,254.42	1,463.48	1,672.56	1,881.63	2,299.78	2,717.91	3,136.05	3,763.26
Longsdon	1,236.07	1,442.07	1,648.09	1,854.10	2,266.13	2,678.14	3,090.17	3,708.20
Oakamoor	1,242.73	1,449.84	1,656.97	1,864.09	2,278.34	2,692.57	3,106.82	3,728.18
Onecote	1,246.98	1,454.79	1,662.63	1,870.46	2,286.13	2,701.77	3,117.44	3,740.92
Quarnford	1,238.74	1,445.19	1,651.65	1,858.11	2,271.03	2,683.93	3,096.85	3,716.22
Rushton	1,233.62	1,439.22	1,644.83	1,850.43	2,261.64	2,672.84	3,084.05	3,700.86
Sheen	1,235.16	1,441.00	1,646.87	1,852.73	2,264.46	2,676.16	3,087.89	3,705.46
Tittesworth	1,238.25	1,444.61	1,651.00	1,857.37	2,270.13	2,682.86	3,095.62	3,714.74
Warslow	1,258.50	1,468.24	1,678.00	1,887.75	2,307.26	2,726.75	3,146.25	3,775.50
Waterhouses	1,253.75	1,462.70	1,671.66	1,880.62	2,298.54	2,716.45	3,134.37	3,761.24
Werrington	1,259.36	1,469.24	1,679.14	1,889.03	2,308.82	2,728.59	3,148.39	3,778.06
Wetton	1,249.77	1,458.05	1,666.36	1,874.65	2,291.25	2,707.82	3,124.42	3,749.30
Whiston	1,243.00	1,450.16	1,657.33	1,864.50	2,278.84	2,693.16	3,107.50	3,729.00

### 73 **NOTICES OF MOTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROCEDURE RULE NO. 8.**

#### 73a **SOCIAL HOUSING - CLLR B. CAWLEY**

“February 2021 sees the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the first social housing in the area with the Abbots Rd development in Leek. This was a consequence of the 1919 Housing Act born out of the pledge to provide “Homes Fit for Heroes” for veterans returning from the First World War. The act allowed local authorities for the first time to comprehensively provide social housing.

Since then the failure of successive policies including the “selling off “ of council housing has led to reduction in supply of affordable housing which is having a detrimental effect on those on low incomes particularly impacting on those in rural areas.

Many of those effected will be modern day heroes working in health and social care, cleaning, retail, distribution and transport, etc who have worked through the pandemic servicing the needs of the communities of the Staffordshire Moorlands .

The need for affordable housing was recognised by the Local Plan endorsed without dissent by the Full Council in September 2020.

This motion calls upon Staffs Moorlands District Council to examine the business case for local authority owned social housing when considering future developments.”

A named vote having being called, voting was as follows:

Those voting **FOR**:

Councillors Atkins, Bentley, Brady, Cawley, Coleman, Gledhill, Hawkins, Hoptroff, Jackson, Page, Price, Redfern, Salt, Swindlehurst, Taylor and Yates **(16)**

Those voting **AGAINST**:

Councillors Aberley, Bond, Bowen, Davies, Deaville, Emery, Fallows, Flunder, Hall, Heath, Herdman, Holmes, Hughes, Lawson, Lea, Plimley, Porter, Ralphs, Riley, Roberts, Scalise, Shaw, Wain, Ward and Worthington. **(25)**

**ABSTENTIONS:**

Councillors Johnson, Jones, Malyon, Martin, Plant, Routledge, Sheldon, Wilkinson. **(8)**

Therefore, the **PROPOSAL** was declared **LOST**.

73b **USE OF NEONICOTINOID PESTICIDES - CLLR J. SALT**

“SMDC declared a Climate Emergency in 2019, it recognises the vital importance of insects and pollinators and wishes to enhance biodiversity. This Council believes the decision by this Government to overturn the ban on neonicotinoids flies in the face of our effort to protect our fragile ecosystem and this Council urges our Government to reconsider.”

As an **AMENDMENT** it was **PROPOSED** and **SECONDED** that British farmers are acknowledged as responsible and caring custodians of our land. They care deeply about nature and the environment, but they need our ongoing support so that they can continue to use and develop more sustainable farming practices. At the present time, scientific research needs to assist the beet industry to find alternative long-term solutions to the danger posed to sugar beet crop from Beet yellows virus, and we would ask Government to look to invest more resources into finding viable alternatives to pesticides such as neonicotinoids, to ensure that farming and nature can work safely alongside each other.

Following debate a **FURTHER AMENDMENT** was **PROPOSED** and **SECONDED** that the Council asks government to find alternatives to neonicotinoids and that the Council only supports their use for the next 120 days.

On being put to the vote, the **FURTHER AMENDMENT** as set out above was declared **CARRIED**.

74 **TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10, IF ANY.**

**1. Question to the Leader of the Council received from Councillor C. Atkins:**

“What actions has the chair of the SMDC Health Scrutiny Committee taken since she accepted responsibility for scrutinising the withdrawal of all services at the Minor Injuries Unit of Leek Moorlands Hospital from the County Council's Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee?”



**Response:**

“Following the agreement that the District Council would scrutinise the temporary closure of Leek Minor Injuries Unit (MIU) representatives of the Moorlands Partnership Foundation Trust (MPFT) attended the meeting of the Panel held on 22 December 2020. Councillors had an opportunity to highlight the problems encountered relating to the temporary closure of the MIU. This included the need to travel outside of the District to the Haywood Hospital to access alternative facilities, experiences of individual constituents and fears that the temporary closure would lead to a permanent closure of the Unit. The Trust assured the Panel that the closure was temporary and the decision was taken in order to ensure the safety of services provided and consolidate limited resources available at the Haywood Hospital.

Following the Panel meeting the Council has written to the MPFT asking it to provide an update for the re-opening of the MIU together with the criteria that need to be met to enable the re-opening. The Trust has replied and explained that in order to release the staff required to re-open the MIU this will be dependent on the de-escalation of all additional bed capacity and the re-introduction of minor injuries at Royal Stoke Hospital.

The Chief Executive of the MPFT, Neil Carr, and the Accountable Officer of the North Staffordshire Clinical Commissioning Group, Marcus Warnes, have also accepted requests to attend the next meeting of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel (3 March 2021 – 2.00 pm) to provide a further update and enable councillors to scrutinise the temporary closure of the unit further.”

In response to supplementary questions the Leader of the Council stated that she speaks with Neil Carr and Marcus Warnes on a weekly basis and that an opportunity for questions to be answered would arise at the next meeting of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel at which the senior management of the MPFT and CCG would be present. The Leader of the Council also stated that she would take part in campaigns with Councillor Atkins for the re-opening of the minor injuries unit.

**2. Question to the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Sports received from Councillor G. Bentley:**

“What is SMDC’s involvement in the acquisition of the Cheadle disused railway track in Cheadle, to Cresswell and what is the outcome?”

**Response:**

“The freehold of the disused railway line from Cresswell to Cheadle is owned by the Department For Transport who has leased the land to Moorland and City Railways. It is understood that there is 7 years remaining on the lease. Enquires are being made and are ongoing with both the freeholder and tenant on whether the land would be for sale in the future and if so under what conditions. Officers are to prepare a Cabinet Report that will set out a direction of travel to deliver the community aspiration for the disused railway line to be a public footpath. The report will need to establish the key legal, financial and operational issues, together with the potential costs for overcoming them.”

In response to supplementary questions the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Sports stated that the Department for Highways is keen to talk to the local authority to further develop the disused railway track and that following a meeting the previous

day and the agreement of objectives contact would be made, if not already, with the Department of Transport, the local MP, members of the local community and Draycott, Checkley and Cheadle councils. A timeframe would be provided when known.

75 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC:**

RESOLVED:

That, pursuant to Section 100A(2) and (4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings whereby it is likely that confidential information as defined in Section 100A (3) of the Act would be disclosed to the public in breach of the obligation of confidence or exempt information as defined in Section 100 I (1) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act would be disclosed to the public by virtue of the Paragraphs indicated.

76 **TO CONSIDER AND DEBATE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CABINET, OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANELS AND COMMITTEES, IF ANY.**

It was clarified that there were no further recommendations from the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Panels or Committees for the consideration of Full Council.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date