

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

5 SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: MR LJP O'SHEA - MAYOR  
MRS J KIRBY – DEPUTY MAYOR

Mr RG Allen, Mr PS Bessant, Mr DC Bill MBE, Mr CW Boothby,  
Mr SL Bray, Mr MB Cartwright, Mr DS Cope, Mrs GAW Cope,  
Mr WJ Crooks, Mr MA Hall, Mrs L Hodgkins, Mr E Hollick, Mr MR Lay,  
Mr KWP Lynch, Mr K Morrell, Mr K Nichols, Mr M Nickerson,  
Mrs J Richards, Mr RB Roberts, Mrs H Smith, Mrs MJ Surtees,  
Mr BE Sutton, Mr P Wallace, Mr HG Williams, Ms BM Witherford and  
Ms AV Wright

Officers in attendance: Bill Cullen, Julie Kenny, Rebecca Owen, Rob Parkinson,  
Jacqueline Puffett and Sharon Stacey

123 PRAYER AND TRIBUTE TO FORMER COUNCILLOR DAVID INMAN

Prayer was offered by the Chief Executive. The Mayor then led a minute's silence in memory of former councillor David Inman, who had passed away recently. Senior members spoke in tribute to Mr Inman.

124 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Camamile, Cook, Ladkin, Taylor and Ward.

125 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Councillor Nichols, seconded by Councillor Allen and

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2017 be confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

126 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared at this stage.

127 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor mentioned some of the events he had attended recently, particularly the Hinckley Feast event on which he congratulated officers, and his forthcoming town twinning visit to Grand Quevilly.

128 QUESTIONS

Question from Councillor Crooks:

“What is the current status with this council implementing the ‘Light Bulb’ housing service, which is supposedly being rolled out across the whole of Leicestershire during 2017?”

I believe Blaby Council are already carrying out this and have been instrumental in the development of the service.”

Response from Councillor Hall:

“Can I thank Cllr Crooks for his question, which gives me the opportunity to highlight the Lightbulb programme, and the key role that this Council has played in its development, and also how it will support vulnerable people remaining independent in their own homes.

Lightbulb is a partnership transformation Programme supported by the seven District Councils in Leicestershire with Leicestershire County council. It brings together a range of practical housing support into a single, integrated pathway. An holistic housing needs assessment ensures that housing support needs are proactively identified and that the right solution is found to address a person’s needs.

The overall aim of Lightbulb is to maximise the contribution that housing support can play in keeping vulnerable people independent in their homes; helping to avoid unnecessary admissions or GP visits and helping timely hospital discharge. The type of work carried out in the team are the delivery of Disabled Facilities Grants, warm home advice, aids and adaptations, home security, falls prevention, assistive technology and advice and signposting to other support services.

Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council’s private sector housing team have been instrumental in the programme and in developing the Lightbulb model. A number of pilots have taken place across the county to test different parts of Lightbulb, with Hinckley and Bosworth taking the lead in linking Lightbulb into a GP surgery.

These pilots have now been brought together into the final model which will be rolled out to all districts in October. For Hinckley and Bosworth there will be a Lightbulb team of 4 additional officers, including an occupational therapist, housing support workers and a technical officer sitting with the private sector housing team delivering this service to our residents.

I believe that it will be a great success.”

129 LEADER OF THE COUNCIL'S POSITION STATEMENT

In his position statement, the Leader referred to new members of the Executive, the agenda for the meeting and progress on local matters including the former Co-op site, Aldi and Lidl and the A5 partnership.

130 MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY COMMISSION

The minutes of the Scrutiny Commission were presented to Council.

131 PEOPLE STRATEGY 2017-2021

The People Strategy 2017-2021 was presented to Council. It was moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Morrell and

RESOLVED – the People Strategy 2017-2021 be approved.

132 APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODY

It was moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Morrell and

RESOLVED – Councillor Allen be appointed to Hinckley & Bosworth Community Transport for the remainder of the municipal year.

133 MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL BODIES

It was moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Morrell and

RESOLVED – the following membership be approved:

Audit Committee:

Councillor RB Roberts (Chairman) (replacing Cllr Allen); Councillor R Camamile; Councillor DS Cope; Councillor L Hodgkins; Councillor MR Lay; Councillor KWP Lynch; Councillor BE Sutton; Councillor DM Taylor; Councillor HG Williams and Councillor A Wright; 1 vacancy.

Finance & Performance Scrutiny:

Councillor KWP Lynch (Chairman); Councillor R Camamile; Councillor DS Cope; Councillor H Smith; Councillor DM Taylor; Councillor R Ward and Councillor HG Williams; 2 vacancies.

Licensing Committee:

Councillor H Smith (Chairman); Councillor PS Bessant; Councillor MB Cartwright; Councillor DS Cope; Councillor MA Hall; Councillor L Hodgkins; Councillor J Kirby; Councillor K Morrell; Councillor K Nichols; Councillor M Nickerson and Councillor P Wallace (replacing Cllr Rooney).

Licensing (Regulatory) Committee:

Councillor H Smith (Chairman); Councillor PS Bessant; Councillor MB Cartwright; Councillor DS Cope; Councillor MA Hall; Councillor L Hodgkins; Councillor J Kirby; Councillor K Morrell; Councillor K Nichols; Councillor M Nickerson and Councillor P Wallace (replacing Cllr Rooney).

Scrutiny Commission:

Councillor MR Lay (Chairman); Councillor R Camamile (Vice-Chairman); Councillor KWP Lynch (Vice-Chairman); Councillor DC Bill; Councillor SL Bray; Councillor WJ Crooks; Councillor RB Roberts; Councillor BE Sutton; Councillor R Ward and Councillor HG Williams; 1 vacancy.

134 MOTIONS RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 17

Councillor Lay, seconded by Councillor Bill, proposed the following motion on behalf of the Scrutiny Commission:

“Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council is concerned about the cumulative impact of traffic, particularly HGVs accessing commercial development in neighbouring districts, upon the air quality within the borough. Whilst air quality is taken into account in considering planning applications made to the borough council, we urge the government to consider implementing a national policy to ensure that consideration is given to the impact of such traffic accessing these sites via roads in neighbouring districts to assist in improving air quality throughout the country”.

Discussion ensued on the wider causes and consequences of reductions in air quality. It was subsequently unanimously

RESOLVED – the abovementioned representations be made.

(The Meeting closed at 7.29 pm)

---

MAYOR

