

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD BY REMOTE VIDEO
CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2020 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM**

PRESENT (BY REMOTE LINK)

Mrs L Eaton JP Mayor
Mrs L Kaufman Deputy Mayor



COUNCILLORS

Mrs R H Adams
N Alam
L A Bentley
G A Boulter
J W Boyce Leader of the Council
Mrs L M Broadley
F S Broadley
D M Carter
M H Charlesworth Deputy Leader of the Council
M L Darr
R F Eaton
D A Gamble
F S Ghattoraya Deputy Leader of the Opposition
Miss P V Joshi Leader of the Opposition
J Kaufman
Miss A Kaur
C D Kozlowski
Mrs H E Loydall
K J Loydall JP
D W Loydall
R E R Morris
Dr I K Ridley

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE (BY REMOTE LINK)

S J Ball Trainee Solicitor (acting as the Democratic Services Officer)
Mrs A E Court Chief Executive / Head of Paid Service
Ms P Fisher Head of Customer Service & Transformation
D M Gill Head of Law & Democracy / Monitoring Officer
S Hinds Deputy Chief Executive
A Thorpe Head of Built Environment
S Tucker Democratic & Electoral Services Manager / Deputy Monitoring Officer

13. CALLING TO ORDER OF THE MEETING

The meeting of the Council was called to order to receive Her Worship The Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

14. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillors Mrs S Z Haq and Mrs S B Morris.

15. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor M H Charlesworth declared a personal interest with regard to item 10 of the

agenda, insofar as he operates a mobile food business within the Borough. It was confirmed by the Monitoring Officer that this did not preclude Cllr Charlesworth's participation in the debate or voting thereon.

16. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 07 July 2020 be taken as read, confirmed and signed.

17. ACTION LIST ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was noted by Members that there was no action list arising from the previous meeting.

18. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

18a. PLANNING WHITE PAPER

The Council gave consideration to the Motion on Notice as set out on pages 9-10 of the agenda, with reference to the Government White Paper 'Planning for the Future' and its proposals for reform to the planning process.

It was moved by K W Loydall JP, seconded by L A Bentley and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

- (i) The Council will take part in the consultation on the planning proposals, and make representations against the proposals as outlined in the motion;**
- (ii) The Council will write to and lobby our Member of Parliament, urging him to oppose these proposals and to circulate his reply to Members; and**
- (iii) The Council will highlight its concerns over these proposals with the public and local residents.**

19. PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS

None.

20. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

20a. LIST OF OFFICIAL MAYORAL / DEPUTY MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The suspension of all civic engagements undertaken by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic be noted.

21. LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader of the Council presented a Statement outlining his recent work, the administration's plans and an overview of recent decisions taken since the previous

meeting of the Council.

The Leader also reminded Members that they have the opportunity to put questions to him during his Leader's Statement, and suggested that this right could be formalised when the next review of the Council's Constitution takes place.

22. IDENTIFIED EMPLOYMENT LAND SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD)

The Council gave consideration to the report as set out on pages 11-59 of the agenda, which asked it to approve and adopt the Identified Employment Land Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).

During the course of the debate K J Loydall JP requested that his dissatisfaction with the current planning process be placed on record, citing concerns over the lack of flexibility within adopted Council policies, as well as the undemocratic role of planning inspectors in overturning decisions which Members take in order to represent the voice of local residents.

It was moved by the Leader of the Council, seconded by L A Bentley and

RESOLVED THAT:

The Identified Employment Land Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) be adopted.

Votes For: 18
Votes Against: 0
Abstentions: 6

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.27 PM



Chair

Tuesday, 15 December 2020

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