

BOSTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

At the adjourned Annual Meeting of the Council of the Boston Borough Council held at the Municipal Buildings, Boston, on Wednesday 25 May 2011 at 6.30 p.m.

Present :

The Mayor (Councillor Mary Wright), in the Chair

Councillors Alison Austin, Richard Austin, Peter Bedford, Michael Brookes, Colin Brotherton, Maureen Dennis, Elliott Fountain, Mike Gilbert, Paul Gleeson, Paul Goodale, Yvonne Gunter, Paul Kenny, James Knowles, Alan Lee, Richard Leggott, Paul Mould, David Owens, Frank Pickett, Derek Richmond, Brian Rush, Gurdip Samra, Raymond Singleton-McGuire, Judith Skinner, Gloria Smith, Ossy Snell, Aaron Spencer, Helen Staples, Carol Taylor, and Stephen Woodliffe.

Officers –

Chief Executive, Strategic Director and Deputy Chief Executive, Monitoring Officer, Communications and Marketing Manager, and Democratic Services Manager.

PRAYERS

The meeting recommenced with prayers led by Reverend Dr. Hugh Jones.

8 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Baker and Witts.

9 DEMOCRATIC ARRANGEMENTS – APPOINTMENTS 2011/12

The Monitoring Officer introduced a report recommending that, in accordance with the Council's Rules of Procedure, Council consider the programme of meetings and appointments for the 2011/2012 Municipal Year as now indicated.

(A) PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS 2011/12

The Monitoring Officer drew attention to the draft programme of ordinary meetings for 2011/12 a copy of which was circulated at the meeting. It was noted that in terms of the Council's Constitution, the Council was required to formally approve the programme of ordinary meetings at its AGM.

It was moved by Councillor Bedford, seconded by Councillor Brotherton and

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| <p>RESOLVED that the programme of ordinary meetings for 2011-2012 as set out in Appendix A as tabled at the meeting be approved, subject to the start time for meetings of the Planning Committee being changed to 2 p.m. as from its first meeting.</p> |
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(B) APPOINTMENT OF LEADER

The Monitoring Officer referred to Appendix B, which related to the appointment of the Leader of the Council for the four year period 2011/12 to 2015/16, in accordance with the new executive arrangements effective from 3 May 2011.

It was moved by Councillor Singleton-McGuire, seconded by Councillor Brookes and

RESOLVED that Councillor Peter Bedford be appointed Leader of the Council until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2015, to hold office whilst he remains a member of the Council; until the appointment of his successor or until removed from office by resolution of the Council.

(C) MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES 2011-2012

The Monitoring Officer referred to the proposed membership of the Committees for 2011/12 as set out in Appendix C of the report. It was highlighted that the allocation of a seat on the South East Lincolnshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee would have to be voted on separately as nominations had been received from the Boston Bypass Independent Group and the Independent Group.

It was moved by Councillor Rush and seconded by Councillor Lee that the seat be allocated to the Independent Group and Councillor Leggott be appointed.

An amendment was moved by Council Staples and seconded by Councillor Alison Austin that the seat be allocated to the Boston Bypass Independent Group and Councillor Richard Austin be appointed.

On being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

The substantive motion was then put to the voter and it was

RESOLVED that the seat be allocated to the Independent Group and Councillor Leggott be appointed.

It was moved by Councillor Bedford, seconded by Councillor Singleton-McGuire and

RESOLVED that the membership of Committees for 2011-2012 be approved in accordance with Appendix C of the report now submitted.

(D) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES 2010-2011

The Monitoring Officer referred to the list of proposed appointments of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Committees, as set out in Appendix D of the report.

It was moved by Councillor Bedford, seconded by Councillor Brookes and

RESOLVED that the appointments of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen for 2011/12 be approved as set out in Appendix D of the report as tabled at the meeting; such appointees to hold office until the next Annual Meeting of the Council, or until the appointment of their successors.

(E) CONFIRMATION OF EXTENSION OF TERMS OF OFFICE FOR APPOINTEES TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

The Monitoring Officer referred to the requirement under the Council's Constitution for the appointment of Lay Members and Parish Council representatives to serve on the Standards Committee and sought approval for the term of appointment for the Independent Lay Chairman and Parish representatives to be extended.

It was moved by Councillor Gilbert, seconded by Councillor Leggott and

RESOLVED that the existing term of appointment of the Independent Lay Chairman of the Standards Committee and Councillors Sally Parker and David Smith, Parish Representative, be extended to May 2012.

(F) APPOINTMENTS TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

The Monitoring Officer referred to the schedule of appointments to external organisations as set out in Appendix E and, by reference to the expressions of interest received, drew the Council's attention to the following oversubscribed organisations:-

- Age Concern – 2 nominations for 1 place
- Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board - 11 nominations for 7 places
- Boston Preservation Trust – 2 nominations for 1 place
- Health Overview & Scrutiny – 2 nominations for 1 place
- Lincolnshire Playing Fields Association – 2 nominations for 1 place
- Wash & North Norfolk Coast Special Area of Conservation Members Group – 3 nominations for 2 places
- Wash Estuary Strategy Members Group – 3 nominations for 2 places
- Witham Fourth District Internal Drainage Board – 11 nominations for 7 places.

Councillor Dennis withdrew her nomination for Age Concern, Councillor Gunter withdrew her nomination for the Lincolnshire Playing Fields Association and Councillor Richard Austin withdrew his nomination for the Boston Preservation Trust.

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board

It was moved by Councillor Bedford seconded by Councillor Singleton-McGuire and

RESOLVED that Councillors Bedford, Brookes, Brotherton, Gunter, Singleton-McGuire, Woodliffe and Rush be appointed as the Council's representatives on the Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board.

Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

It was moved by Councillor Bedford and seconded by Councillor Singleton-McGuire that Councillor Taylor be appointed as the Council's representative on the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Councillor Samra be appointed as substitute member.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Leggott and seconded by Councillor Staples that Councillor Snell be appointed as the Council's representative and either Councillor Taylor or Councillor Samra be appointed as substitute member.

On being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

The substantive motion was then put to the vote and it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Taylor be appointed as the Council's representative on the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Councillor Samra be appointed as substitute member.

Wash and North Norfolk Coast Special Area of Conservation

It was moved by Councillor Bedford and seconded by Councillor Singleton-McGuire that Councillors Brotherton and Pickett be appointed as the Council's representatives.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Staples and seconded by Councillor Richard Austin that Councillor Alison Austin be appointed as the one of the Council's representatives.

On being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

The substantive motion was then put to the vote and it was

RESOLVED that Councillors Brotherton and Pickett be appointed as the Council's representatives.

Wash Estuary Strategy Members Group

It was moved by Councillor Bedford and seconded by Councillor Singleton-McGuire that Councillors Brotherton and Leggott be appointed as the Council's representatives.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Staples and seconded by Councillor Richard Austin that Councillor Alison Austin be appointed as one of the Council's representatives.

On being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

The substantive motion was then put to the vote and it was

RESOLVED that Councillors Brotherton and Leggott be appointed as the Council's representatives.

Witham Fourth Internal Drainage Board

It was moved by Councillor Bedford and seconded by Councillor Singleton-McGuire that Councillors Bedford, Dennis, Pickett, Richmond, Wright and Leggott and Joan Ashton (Lay representatives) be appointed as the Council's representatives.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Goodale and seconded by Councillor Kenny that Councillor Gleeson be appointed in place of the lay representative, Joan Ashton.

On being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

A further amendment was moved by Councillor Leggott and seconded by Councillor Owens that Councillors Bedford, Dennis, Pickett, Richmond, Wright, Leggott and Snell be appointed as the Council's representatives.

On being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

A further amendment was moved by Councillor Alison Austin and seconded by Councillor Staples that Councillors Bedford, Pickett, Richmond, Gleeson, R. Austin, Witts and Snell be appointed as the Council's representatives .

On being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

The substantive motion was then put to the vote and it was

RESOLVED that Councillors Bedford, Dennis, Pickett, Richmond, Wright and Leggott and Joan Ashton (Lay representatives) be appointed as the Council's representatives.

It was moved by Councillor Bedford and seconded by Councillor Singleton-McGuire and

RESOLVED

That the following Members listed in Appendix E to the report submitted be appointed as the Council's representatives to serve on the external organisations indicated in each case; to hold office whilst they remain Members of the Council, until the next Annual Meeting of the Council; or until the appointment of their successors;

| NAME OF EXTERNAL ORGANISATION | APPOINTEES |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age Concern (Boston & South Holland Division) | Staples |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board | Bedford Brookes Brotherton Gunter Owens Singleton-McGuire Woodliffe Rush |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boston Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee | Mould Singleton-McGuire |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boston Municipal Non-Educational Charities | Mould Pickett Taylor Mr. T. Austin (Lay Member) |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boston One Stop Shop | Taylor |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boston Preservation Trust | Brotherton |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boston Womens Aid | Dennis Taylor |

- **Centrepoint Outreach** **Woodliffe**
- **Community Lincs** **Knowles
Samra**
- **Council of Fydell House Centre Ltd Committee** **Knowles
Mould**
- **Council for the Protection of Rural England (Lincs Branch)** **Smith**
- **East Midlands Councils** **Bedford
(Ex officio)
Brookes
(Alternate
Member)**
- **Health Overview and Scrutiny** **Taylor
Samra (sub)**
- **Heritage Lincolnshire** **Bedford**
- **Integration Lincolnshire** **Woodliffe**
- **Lincolnshire County Council Flood and Drainage
Management Committee** **Leggott**
- **Lincolnshire Playing Fields Association** **Snell**
- **Lincolnshire Transport Partnership** **Gilbert**
- **Local Government Association's Rural Commission** **Bedford
Singleton-
McGuire**
- **Nacro Services in Lincolnshire** **Samra
Taylor
(vacancy-
observer)**
- **Neighbourhood Watch Association** **Snell**

- **Sir Thomas Meddlecott and Others Charity Trust** Brotherton
Woodliffe
A. Austin
- **South East Lincolnshire Travel Association** Knowles
- **South Lincolnshire Blind Society** Taylor
Wright
- **St. Leonard's Hospital Trust** Richmond
Samra
- **Swineshead Poor Charity** Brookes
- **Wash and North Norfolk Coast Special Area of Conservation (SAC) Members Group** Brotherton
Pickett
Spencer (Sub)
- **Wash Strategy Members Group** Brotherton
Leggott
- **Witham Fourth District Internal Drainage Board** Bedford
Dennis
Pickett
Richmond
Wright
Joan Ashton
(Lay Member)
Leggott

Long Term Appointments

- **Boston Grammar School Foundation Governors** Gilbert
Mould
Samra
Woodliffe
- **Boston West County Primary School** Knowles
- **John Butler Charity** Brookes
- **Thomas Sanderson Trust** Brotherton
Ernest Napier
(Lay Member)
- **Park Community Primary School** Taylor

- **Welland and Deepings IDB**

Leggott

- **W H & E Harlock Swineshead Almshouses Charity**

Brookes

(The meeting ended at 7.05 p.m.)