

# Council

A meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, 11th July, 2007.

**Present:** The Worshipful the Mayor (Cllr Bill Noble), Cllr Hilary Aggio, Cllr Mrs Lynne Apedaile, Cllr Paul Baker, Cllr Jim Beall, Cllr Mrs Jennie Beaumont, Cllr Phillip Broughton, Cllr Mrs Ann Cains, Cllr Dick Cains, Cllr Aidan Cockerill, Cllr David Coleman, Cllr Robert Cook, Cllr Mrs Eileen Craggs, Cllr Alex Cunningham, Cllr Ian Dalgarno, Cllr Ken Dixon, Cllr Jackie Earl, Cllr Mick Eddy, Cllr Kevin Faulks, Cllr John Fletcher, Cllr Mrs Suzanne Fletcher, Cllr Maurice Frankland, Cllr John Gardner, Cllr Robert Gibson, Cllr David Harrington, Cllr Miss Barbara Inman, Cllr Mohammed Javed, Cllr Terry Laing, Cllr Miss Tina Large, Cllr Andrew Larkin, Cllr Alan Lewis, Cllr Ken Lupton, Cllr Mrs Ann McCoy, Cllr Lee Narroway, Cllr Mrs Kath Nelson, Cllr Steve Nelson, Cllr Mrs Liz Nesbitt, Cllr Mrs Jean O'Donnell, Cllr Ross Patterson, Cllr Maurice Perry, Cllr Mrs Maureen Rigg, Cllr Roy Rix, Cllr Julia Roberts, Cllr Fred Salt, Cllr Andrew Sherris, Cllr Mick Stoker, Cllr Steve Walmsley, Cllr Mrs Sylvia Walmsley, Cllr Mrs Mary Womphrey, Cllr Mick Womphrey, Cllr William Woodhead, Cllr Barry Woodhouse.

**Officers:** G Garlick (CE), D E Bond, P K Bell (LD), N Schneider (DNS, J Danks (R).

**Also in attendance:** Mr F W Hayes (Chairman of the Standards Committee), four members of the public.

**Apologies:** Cllr Paul Kirton, Cllr Colin Leckonby, Cllr Michael Smith and Cllr Allison Trainer.

## **C Welcome**

**22/07**

The Worshipful the Mayor welcomed all Members of the Council to the meeting.

## **C George Garlick OBE**

**23/07**

The Worshipful the Mayor, on behalf of the Council, congratulated George Garlick, on receiving an OBE in the Honours List for his services to local government.

## **C Minutes**

**24/07**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th April 2007 were signed by the Worshipful the Mayor as a correct record.

## **C Minutes**

**25/07**

The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May 2007 were signed by the Worshipful the Mayor as a correct record subject to the following correction:-

In the list of Licensing Committee Members delete Nelson and 1 Vacancy and add Mrs Nelson and Faulks.

## **C Declarations of Interest**

**26/07**

Planning Committee

Councillor Cunningham declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of minute number 1253 due to his consultancy work within the energy industry.

Cabinet

Councillor Cunningham declared a personal, prejudicial interest in respect of minute CAB 23/07 due to a family member's employment by Tees Music Alliance and his own consultancy work within the energy industry.

## Executive Scrutiny Committee

Councillor Fletcher declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of minute number 1244 as he was a Member of Egglecliffe Parish Church.

Councillor Mrs Fletcher declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of minute numbers 1244 as she was a Member of Egglecliffe Parish Church.

Councillor Fletcher declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of minute number 1246 as he was a Member of Friends of Billingham International Folklore Festival.

Councillor Mrs Fletcher declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of minute numbers 1246 as she was a Member of Friends of Billingham International Folklore Festival.

Councillor Nelson declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of minute numbers 1246 as a result of his friendship with festival organisers/supporters.

Councillor Mrs Nelson declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of minute numbers 1246 as a result of her friendship with festival organisers/supporters.

Cleveland Police Authority Executive - Minutes - 23rd February 2007, 27th February 2007, 26th April 2007

Councillor Cook declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Police Authority Executive minutes as he had a relative that was a serving Officer.

Councillor Dixon declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Police Authority Executive minutes as a family member was a member of Cleveland Police.

Councillor Larkin declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Police Authority Executive minutes due to his employment within Cleveland Police.

Councillor Mrs McCoy declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Police Authority Executive minutes as she was a Lay Assessor for Cleveland Police recruitment.

Cleveland Fire Authority - Minutes - 30th March 2007

Councillor Roberts declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Fire Authority minutes as she was a Member of the Cleveland Fire Authority.

Councillor Perry declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Fire Authority minutes as he was a Member of the Cleveland Fire

Authority.

Councillor Mrs O'Donnell declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Fire Authority minutes as she was a Member of the Cleveland Fire Authority.

Councillor Salt declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Fire Authority minutes as he was a Member of the Cleveland Fire Authority.

Councillor Dixon declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Fire Authority minutes as he was a Member of the Cleveland Fire Authority.

Councillor Stoker declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Fire Authority minutes as he was a Member of the Cleveland Fire Authority.

Councillor Walmsley declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Cleveland Fire Authority minutes as he was a Member of the Cleveland Fire Authority.

Police Joint Committee - Minutes - 7th June 2007

Councillor Dixon declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in respect of the Police Joint Committee minutes as a family member was a member of Cleveland Police.

**C**  
**27/07**      **Public Question Time**

The Director of Law and Democracy informed the Worshipful the Mayor that no Public Questions had been received.

**C**  
**28/07**      **Members' Question Time**

The Director of Law and Democracy informed the Worshipful the Mayor that no Members' Questions had been received.

**C**  
**29/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Rix, seconded by Councillor Patterson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 4th April 2007 (Minute Nos 1213 - 1222) be received.

**C**  
**30/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Woodhead, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nelson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee held on 2nd April 2007 (Minute Nos 1223 - 1226) be received.

**C**      **Minutes**

**31/07**

Moved by Mr F W Hayes, seconded by Councillor Sherris and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Standards Committee held on 29th March 2007 (Minute Nos 1227 - 1238) be received or confirmed as appropriate.

**C Minutes**

**32/07**

Moved by Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Mrs Fletcher and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Executive Scrutiny Committee held on 17th April 2007 (Minute Nos 1239 - 1248) be received.

**C Minutes**

**33/07**

Moved by Councillor Rix, seconded by Councillor Patterson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 25th April 2007 (Minute Nos 1249 - 1255) be received.

**C Minutes**

**34/07**

Moved by Councillor Harrington, seconded by Councillor Eddy and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Children and Young People Select Committee held on 27th March 2007 (Minute Nos 1256 - 1258) be confirmed.

**C Minutes**

**35/07**

Moved by Councillor Mrs Cains, seconded by Councillor Gardner and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Health Select Committee held on 26th March 2007 (Minute Nos 1259 - 1263) be confirmed.

**C Minutes**

**36/07**

Moved by Councillor Woodhead, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nelson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Committee held on 19th April 2007 (Minute Nos 1308 - 1316) be received.

**C Minutes**

**37/07**

Moved by Councillor Woodhead, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nelson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee held on 24th April 2007 (Minute Nos 1317 - 1322) be received.

**C Minutes**

**38/07**

Moved by Councillor Woodhead, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nelson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Committee held on 16th May 2007 (Minute Nos 1323 - 1326) be received.

**C Minutes**

**39/07**

Moved by Councillor Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Woodhouse and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Audit Committee held on 19th April 2007 (Minute Nos 1327 - 1332) be received subject to the following correction:-

In the 'Present' section the words 'Vice Chairman' be deleted and replaced with the word 'Chairman'.

**C**  
**40/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Mr F W Hayes, seconded by Councillor Sherris and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Standards Committee held on 26th April 2007 (Minute Number 1333) be received subject to the following amendment:-

Recommendation 4 at minute 1333 be deleted.

**C**  
**41/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Lupton, seconded by Councillor Cunningham and RESOLVED that the minutes of Cabinet held on 7th June 2007 (Minute Nos CAB 1/07 - CAB 8/07) be received or confirmed as appropriate.

**C**  
**42/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Rix, seconded by Councillor Patterson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 31st May 2007 (Minute Nos P 1/07 - P 5/07) be received.

**C**  
**43/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Mr F W Hayes, seconded by Councillor Sherris and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Standards Committee held on 15th June 2007 (Minute Nos S 1/07 - S 2/07) be received subject to the following amendment:-

Recommendation 2 at minute S 1/07 be deleted.

**C**  
**44/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Rix, seconded by Councillor Patterson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 6th June 2007 (Minute Nos P 6/07 - P 12/07) be received.

**C**  
**45/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Woodhouse and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Audit Committee held on 4th June 2007 (Minute Nos A 1/07 - A 8/07) be received.

**C**  
**46/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Mrs Fletcher and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Executive Scrutiny Committee held on 30th May 2007 (Minute Nos EX 1/07 - EX 5/07) be received.

**C**  
**47/07**      **Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Woodhead, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nelson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee held on 13th

June 2007 (Minute Nos LSC 1/07 - LSC 7/07) be received.

**C  
48/07 Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Woodhead, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nelson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Committee held on 12th June 2007 (Minute Nos L 1/07 - L 6/07) be received.

**C  
49/07 Minutes**

Moved by Mr F W Hayes, seconded by Councillor Sherris and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Standards Committee held on 22nd June 2007 (Minute Nos S 3/07 - S 12/07) be received.

**C  
50/07 Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Woodhead, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nelson and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee held on 8th June 2007 (Minute Nos LSC 8/07 - LSC 10/07) be received.

**C  
51/07 Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Lupton, seconded by Councillor Cunningham and RESOLVED that the minutes of Cabinet held on 5th July 2007 (Minute Nos CAB 9/07 - CAB 24/07) be received or confirmed as appropriate.

**C  
52/07 To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Cleveland Police Authority Executive held on 23rd February 2007, 27th February 2007 and 26th April 2007**

The minutes of the meetings of the Cleveland Police Authority Executive held on 23rd February 2007, 27th February 2007 and 26th April 2007 were noted.

**C  
53/07 To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Stockton Home Safety Association held on 27th February 2007 and 10th April 2007**

The minutes of the meetings of the Stockton Home Safety Association held on 27th February 2007 and 10th April 2007 were noted.

**C  
54/07 To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Safer Stockton Partnership held on 13th March 2007 and 24th April 2007**

The minutes of the meetings of the Safer Stockton Partnership held on 13th March 2007 and 24th April 2007 were noted.

**C  
55/07 To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Markets Forum held on 14th March 2007 and 11th April 2007**

The minutes of the meetings of the Markets Forum held on 14th March 2007 and 11th April 2007 were noted.

**C  
56/07 To receive the minutes of the meeting of the Cleveland Fire Authority held on 30th March 2007**

The minutes of the meeting of the Cleveland Fire Authority held on 30th March 2007 were noted.

**C  
57/07 To receive the minutes of the meeting of the Members Advisory Panel held on 30th March 2007**

The minutes of the meeting of the Members Advisory Panel held on 30th March 2007 were noted.

**C  
58/07 To receive the minutes of the meeting of the Police Joint Committee held on 7th June 2007**

Members noted that the Police Joint Committee minutes did not contain the approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of the Police Joint Committee held on 7th June 2007 were noted.

**C  
59/07 Appointments/Amendments to Committees, Panels and Joint/Outside Bodies for the Municipal Year 2007/2008**

At its Annual Meeting held on Wednesday 23rd May 2007 the Council approved appointments to its Committees, Panels and Joint/Outside Bodies for the Municipal year 2007/2008. Subsequently, appointments and necessary amendments had been identified, which required approval by the Council viz:-

**COMMITTEES AND PANELS**

**Executive Scrutiny Committee**

Remove Cllr Woodhouse and add Cllr Mrs Nesbitt

**Adult Services and Health Select Committee**

Remove Cllr Frankland and add Cllr Javed

**Audit Committee**

Remove Cllr Mrs O'Donnell and add Cllr Frankland

**Members Advisory Panel**

Remove Cllr Fletcher and add Cllr Mrs Fletcher

**Employee Appeals Panel**

Remove Cllr Mrs McCoy and add Cllr Mrs Nelson

Appoint Cllr Rix as Chairman (replacing Cllr Mrs McCoy)

Appoint Cllr Mrs Nelson as Vice Chairman (replacing Cllr Rix)

**OUTSIDE BODIES**

Health Improvement Renaissance Partnership

Remove Cllr Mrs Cains and add Cllr Mrs McCoy

Cleveland Joint Fire Authority

Remove Cllr Perry and add Cllr Woodhead

RESOLVED that the above appointments/amendments be approved.

**C  
60/07** **To consider the following motion which has been submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.1 by Councillor Lupton: -**

Pursuant to an altered notice of motion, which was agreed by the meeting, the following motion was moved by Councillor Lupton and seconded by Councillor Mrs Rigg:-

“That Stockton Borough Council makes representation to the Home Secretary that consideration is given to amending the existing legislative provisions to ensure that Council representation is determined by individual authorities based on the population number of each individual authority and that the nominations made reflect the political balance of the nominating Council.” and

“That similar representation is made to the LGA and APA for their advice to be amended to prevent the imbalance of representation on the Police Authority, created by the current imprecise method of calculation of political balance.”

The motion was carried.