Council

A meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, 24 May 2023.

Present: The Worshipful the Mayor (Cllr Ross Patterson, Cllr Jim Beall), Cllr Stefan Barnes, Cllr Pauline Beall, Cllr Michelle Bendelow, Cllr Marc Besford, Cllr Carol Clark, Cllr Diane Clarke, Cllr Bob Cook, Cllr Nigel Cooke, Cllr John Coulson, Cllr Ian Dalgarno, Cllr Richard Eglington, Cllr Lisa Evans, Cllr Dan Fagan, Cllr Kevin Faulks, Cllr Nathan Gale, Cllr Clare Gamble, Cllr Ray Godwin, Cllr Alex Griffiths, Cllr Elsi Hampton, Cllr Stefan Houghton, Cllr Shakeel Hussain, Cllr Barbara Inman, Cllr Eileen Johnson, Cllr Ann McCoy, Cllr Mick Moore, Cllr Sufi Mubeen, Cllr Steve Nelson, Cllr David Reynard, Cllr Stephen Richardson, Cllr Tony Riordan, Cllr Paul Rowling, Cllr Susan Scott, Cllr Andrew Sherris, Cllr Norma Stephenson OBE, Cllr Mick Stoker, Cllr Hugo Stratton, Cllr Ted Strike, Cllr Marilyn Surtees, Cllr Emily Tate, Cllr Jim Taylor, Cllr Hilary Vickers, Cllr Marcus Vickers, Cllr Sylvia Walmsley, Cllr Alan Watson, Cllr Sally Ann Watson, Cllr Katie Weston, Cllr Paul Weston and Cllr Barry Woodhouse.

Officers: Mike Greene (CEX), Ged Morton, Julie Butcher, Jonathan Nertney, Nigel Hart, Judy Trainer, Michael Henderson, Sarah Whaley, John Devine, Stuart Levin, Gary Woods, Rebecca Saunders Thompson, Rachel Harrison (CS).

Also in attendance: Invited guests and dignitaries.

Apologies: Cllr John Gardner, Cllr Vanessa Sewell and Cllr Laura Tunney.

1 Civic Welcome and Evacuation Procedure

The Worshipful the Mayor addressed the meeting by way of civic welcome and advised all present of the premises evacuation procedures in the event of an emergency.

2 Minute's Silence – Honorary Alderman Winifred Hodgson, MBE

The Worshipful the Mayor referred to the sad passing of Honorary Alderman Win Hodgson MBE and asked Members to observe a minute's silence as a mark of respect.

Winifred invested 27 years' service in local government for Stockton-on-Tees from 1976 to 2003 as a Councillor for the Roseworth Ward. She became Mayor of the Borough in 1988/89 and achieved national recognition in the 2003 New Year's Honours with the award of an MBE for her outstanding contribution to housing and regeneration.

3 Mayor's Civic Awards Scheme

The Worshipful the Mayor recognised the achievements of those who had been successfully nominated for a Mayor's Civic Award:-

Young Person Award – Felicity Hide Services to the Community Award (Individual) – Ann McCabe Services to the Community (Special Individual Award) - Stephen Shaw awarded posthumously to Stephen's sister, Bernadette Shaw Services to the Community Award (Groups and Organisations) - Volunteer Drivers – North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust Services to the Community Award (Business) – Scott Bros. Limited Health & Wellbeing Award – Lisa Tomlinson-Cowie The Green Award – Julie Harrison Carer / Foster Carer Award – Malcolm & Michelle Atherton ('Mainstream' Foster Carers), Stephen & Leanne Cuthbert ('Connected' Foster Carers)

4 **Presentation to Mayor's Charities**

A presentation was made to the Mayor's Charity, Historic Counties Trust. Donations would also be made to Remembering Rebecca and the Great North Air Ambulance.

5 Customer Services Excellence Awards – Civic Recognition

The Worshipful the Mayor recognised the winners of the Customer Services Excellence Awards within the following categories:-

Star Employee – James O'Donnell (Public Health Intelligence Specialist) Star Apprentice – Elizabeth Snowdon (Parks and Gardens Service) Special Recognition Award – Anthony Mackin (Street Cleansing Operative) Star Team – Employment and Training Hub

6 Long Service Awards

The Worshipful the Mayor recognised the contribution of the following long serving staff by presenting each with a certificate of achievement:-

In the 25-year group were:

- Ian Caley
- Deborah Carr
- Rachael Coates
- Louise Crisp
- Stuart Crockett
- Samantha Dixon
- Claire Guy
- David Neal
- Paula Pickering
- Gwen Webster

In the 40-year group were:

- Lindsey Crinson
- Elaine Hepworth
- Amanda Massey
- Sean Taylor

7 Presentation of Silver Salver to Retiring Deputy Mayor

On behalf of the Council, the retiring Mayor (Councillor Ross Patterson) presented a silver salver to the retiring Deputy Mayor (Councillor Jim Beall) for his services during 2022/23.

8 Appointment of The Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 2023/24

Moved by Councillor Barbara Inman and seconded by Councillor Bob Cook, that Councillor Jim Beall be appointed Mayor for the Municipal Year 2023/2024.

RESOLVED that Councillor Jim Beall be appointed Mayor for the Municipal Year 2023/2024.

9 Return of Thanks for Appointment by The Mayor

The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Jim Beall, returned thanks for his appointment and addressed the meeting regarding his ambitions for the year ahead. His charities for the forthcoming year would be Eastern Ravens and North East Autism Society.

10 Vote of Thanks to Retired Mayor

Moved by Councillor Kevin Faulks, seconded by Councillor Stefan Barnes, that a vote of thanks be extended to the retired Mayor and Mayoress for the admirable way in which they had discharged their duties during their term of office.

RESOLVED that thanks be extended to the retired Mayor and Mayoress for the admirable way in which they had discharged their duties during their term of office.

11 Presentation of Medallions and Commemorative Digital Album to the Retired Mayor and Mayoress

The Worshipful the Mayor presented the Retired Mayor with a Medallion and Commemorative Digital Album.

12 Address by the Retired Mayor

The retired Mayor addressed the meeting to reflect on his year in office and the charities he had supported.

13 Appointment of the Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 2023/24

In accordance with the Council convention on nomination for Deputy Mayor, Councillor Gardner had indicated his wish to be nominated for the Office. As apologies for the meeting had been submitted by Councillor John Gardner, the Worshipful the Mayor moved that under Council Procedure Rule 3.43(j), the meeting proceed to the next item of business which would defer the appointment of Deputy Mayor to the next full Council meeting. Councillor Tony Riordan seconded the motion.

RESOLVED that the appointment of Deputy Mayor be deferred to the next Council meeting.

14 Presentation of Floral Arrangements

Floral arrangements were presented to the Mayoress and the retired Mayoress.

15 Presentation of Bible to the Mayor by the Mayor's Chaplain

Reverend Caroline Worsfold presented the Bible to the Worshipful the Mayor.

16 Meetings of Council

RESOLVED that meetings of the Council being held at 6.00pm (except where otherwise stated) during the Municipal Year on the following dates:-

21 June 2023
26 July 2023
20 September 2023
22 November 2023
24 January 2024
21 February 2024 (Special - MTFP)
20 March 2024
03 April 2024 at 11.00 am (Annual Meeting)

17 Appointment of the Leader of the Council 2023 – 27

Councillor Marcus Vickers moved and Councillor David Reynard seconded that Councillor Tony Riordan be appointed Leader of the Council for the Municipal Years 2023 - 27.

Councillor Paul Rowling moved and Councillor Eileen Johnson seconded that Councillor Bob Cook be appointed Leader of the Council for the Municipal Years 2023 - 27.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 3.65, Councillor Tony Riordan requested that a recorded vote be taken; which was supported by at least a quarter of the Members present:-

Members in favour of the appointment of Councillor Tony Riordan as Leader of the Council:-

Councillors Diane Clarke, John Coulson, Dan Fagan, Alex Griffiths, Elsi Hampton, Stefan Houghton, Shakeel Hussain, Sufi Mubeen, David Reynard, Stephen Richardson, Tony Riordan, Susan Scott, Andrew Sherris, Hugo Stratton, Ted Strike, Emily Tate, Jim Taylor, Hilary Vickers, Marcus Vickers, Alan Watson, Sally Ann Watson (21).

Members in favour of the appointment of Councillor Bob Cook as Leader of the Council:-

Councillors Stefan Barnes, Jim Beall, Pauline Beall, Michelle Bendelow,

Marc Besford, Carol Clark, Bob Cook, Nigel Cooke, Ian Dalgarno, Richard Eglington, Lisa Evans, Kevin Faulks, Nathan Gale, Clare Gamble, Ray Godwin, Barbara Inman, Eileen Johnson, Ann McCoy, Mick Moore, Steve Nelson, Ross Patterson, Paul Rowling, Norma Stephenson, Mick Stoker, Marilyn Surtees, Sylvia Walmsley, Katie Weston, Paul Weston, Barry Woodhouse (29).

RESOLVED that Councillor Bob Cook be appointed Leader of the Council for the Municipal Years 2023-27.

18 Announcement of Cabinet Members for 2023/24

The Leader of the Council announced his Cabinet for the Municipal Years 2023/24:-

Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Children and Young People - Councillor Lisa Evans Cabinet Member for Health, Leisure and Culture - Councillor Steve Nelson Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care - Councillor Ann McCoy Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing - Councillor Nigel Cooke Cabinet Member for Access, Communities and Community Safety - Councillor Norma Stephenson OBE Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport - Councillor Clare Gamble

19 Announcement of Assistant Cabinet Members for 2023/24

The Leader of the Council announced that Councillor Pauline Beall and Councillor Marc Besford would be Assistant Cabinet Members for 2023/24 and would decide on their portfolios in due course.

20 Appointment to Committees and Panels for the Municipal Years 2023 - 2027

RESOLVED that the following appointments be made to the Committees and Panels for the Municipal Years 2023 - 2027:-

EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (17)

Councillors Marc Besford, Pauline Beall, Carol Clark, Ian Dalgarno, Richard Eglington, Stefan Houghton, Barbara Inman, Ross Patterson, David Reynard, Vanessa Sewell, Marilyn Surtees, Marcus Vickers, Tony Riordan, Sylvia Walmsley, Alan Watson, Sally Ann Watson, Barry Woodhouse

ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH SELECT COMMITTEE (9)

Councillors Marc Besford, Carol Clark, John Coulson, Kevin Faulks, Nathan Gale, Susan Scott, Vanessa Sewell, Emily Tate, Paul Weston

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE SELECT COMMITTEE (9)

Councillors Carol Clark, Nathan Gale, Ray Godwin, Barbara Inman, David Reynard, Stephen Richardson, Emily Tate, Sally Ann Watson, Katie Weston

CRIME AND DISORDER SELECT COMMITTEE (9)

Councillors Pauline Beall, John Coulson, Richard Eglington, Barbara Inman, Paul Rowling, Hugo Stratton, Alan Watson, Sally Ann Watson, Sylvia Walmsley

PEOPLE SELECT COMMITTEE (9)

Councillors Michelle Bendelow, Ian Dalgarno, John Gardner, Sufi Mubeen, David Reynard, Hugo Stratton, Marilyn Surtees, Paul Weston, Barry Woodhouse

PLACE SELECT COMMITTEE (9)

Councillors Michelle Bendelow, John Coulson, Richard Eglington, Ray Godwin, Stefan Houghton, Marilyn Surtees, Hilary Vickers, Alan Watson, Katie Weston

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (9)

Councillors Marc Besford, Stefan Houghton, Ross Patterson, Tony Riordan, Paul Rowling, Mick Stoker, Emily Tate, Laura Tunney, Barry Woodhouse

PLANNING COMMITTEE (14)

Councillors Stefan Barnes, Michelle Bendelow, Carol Clark, John Coulson, Dan Fagan, Elsi Hampton, Eileen Johnson, Tony Riordan, Andrew Sherris, Norma Stephenson O.B.E, Mick Stoker, Jim Taylor, Barry Woodhouse, Sylvia Walmsley

GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE (14)

Councillors Marc Besford, Diane Clarke, Bob Cook, Clare Gamble, Elsi Hampton, Eileen Johnson, Ann McCoy, Mick Moore, David Reynard, Susan Scott, Andrew Sherris, Hugo Stratton, Marilyn Surtees, Hilary Vickers

STATUTORY LICENSING COMMITTEE (14)

Councillors Marc Besford, Diane Clarke, Bob Cook, Clare Gamble, Elsi Hampton, Eileen Johnson, Ann McCoy, Mick Moore, David Reynard, Susan Scott, Andrew Sherris, Hugo Stratton, Marilyn Surtees, Hilary Vickers

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD (10)

Councillors Bob Cook, Lisa Evans, Dan Fagan, Kevin Faulks, Ann McCoy, Steve Nelson, David Reynard, Stephen Richardson, Tony Riordan, Sylvia Walmsley CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD (7)

Councillors Pauline Beall, Carol Clark, Lisa Evans, Mick Moore, David Reynard, Hilary Vickers, Sally Ann Watson

STANDARDS PANEL (POOL OF 10)

Councillors Diane Clarke, Ian Dalgarno, Richard Eglington, Kevin Faulks, Elsi Hampton, Stefan Houghton, Eileen Johnson, Paul Rowling, Norma Stephenson O.B.E, Alan Watson

EMPLOYEE APPEALS PANEL (5)

Councillors Michelle Bendelow, Kevin Faulks, Norma Stephenson O.B.E, Alan Watson, Sally Ann Watson

APPEALS & COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE (7)

Councillors Pauline Beall, Nigel Cooke, Dan Fagan, Elsi Hampton, Ross Patterson, Alan Watson, Barry Woodhouse

APPOINTMENT PANEL (POOL OF 9)

Councillors Pauline Beall, Marc Besford, Carol Clark, Diane Clarke, Richard Eglington, Stefan Houghton, Tony Riordan, Susan Scott, Sylvia Walmsley

CONSULTATIVE BODIES etc

Adults Health and Wellbeing Partnership - 1 - Cabinet Member for Adults Social Care

Children and Young People's Partnership - 1 - Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Commemoration Working Group – 5 - Councillors Jim Beall, Eileen Johnson, Jim Taylor, Marcus Vickers, Sylvia Walmsley

Home Safety Association – 4 - Councillors Nigel Cooke, John Gardner, Ann McCoy, Sufi Mubeen

Local Joint Consultative Panel – 7 - Councillors Stefan Barnes, Jim Beall, Clare Gamble, John Gardner, David Reynard, Norma Stephenson O.B.E, Marcus Vickers

Schools Workforce Joint Consultative Panel – 7 - Councillors Carol Clark, Lisa Evans, Elsi Hampton, Barbara Inman, Emily Tate, Sally Ann Watson, Vacancy

Members Advisory Panel – 12 - Councillors Bob Cook, Clare Gamble, Kevin Faulks, Alex Griffiths, Eileen Johnson, Sufi Mubeen, Tony Riordan, Andrew Sherris, Norma Stephenson O.B.E, Laura Tunney, Sylvia Walmsley, Barry

Woodhouse

Domestic Abuse Steering Group -4 - Cabinet Member for Health, Leisure and Culture, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Cabinet Member for Access and Communities and Community Safety, Cabinet Member for Adults Social Care

JOINT BODIES

Joint Archives Committee - 1 - Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Health, Leisure and Culture

Cleveland Emergency Planning - 1 - Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

River Tees Port Health Authority – 5 - Councillors Alex Griffiths, Eileen Johnson, Paul Rowling, Susan Scott, Vanessa Sewell

Cleveland Fire Authority - 5 - Councillors Jim Beall, John Gardner, Stefan Houghton, Sufi Mubeen, Mick Stoker

Cleveland Police & Crime Panel - 4 - Councillors Pauline Beall, John Coulson, Tony Riordan, Norma Stephenson OBE

Teesside Pension Fund Committee – 1 - Councillor Jim Beall

Tees Valley Joint Health Scrutiny Committee – 3 - Chair of Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee, Councillor Sue Scott, Councillor Sufi Mubeen

TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY

Cabinet – Leader of the Council – Substitute - Deputy Leader of the Council

Transport Committee - Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport – Substitute - Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing

Overview and Scrutiny Committee - Councillor Tony Riordan, Councillor Pauline Beall, Councillor Steve Nelson. Substitutes - Councillor David Reynard, Councillor Eileen Johnson, Councillor Norma Stephenson

Audit and Governance Committee - Councillor David Reynard – Substitute - Councillor Tony Riordan

Independent Remuneration Panel – Tony Campbell

Education and Skills Partnership Board – Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing

21 Appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs for the Municipal Year 2023/27

Members agreed the uncontested appointments of Chairs and Vice Chairs.

RESOLVED that the following appointments be made for the Municipal Years 2023 - 2027:-

Executive Scrutiny Committee – Chair - Councillor Sylvia Walmsley

Audit and Governance Committee – Vice Chair - Councillor Stefan Houghton

Health and Wellbeing Board - Chair - Leader of the Council

Members Advisory Panel - Chair - Leader of the Council

Members then considered the contested appointments of Chairs and Vice Chairs.

Moved by Councillor Kevin Faulks and seconded by Councillor Stefan Barnes that Councillor Ross Patterson be appointed Vice Chair of the Executive Scrutiny Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor David Reynard that Councillor Marcus Vickers be appointed Vice Chair of the Executive Scrutiny Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Ross Patterson be appointed Vice Chair of the Executive Scrutiny Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Marc Besford be appointed Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Vanessa Sewell be appointed Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Marc Besford be appointed Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowing and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Nathan Gale be appointed Vice Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Susan Scott be appointed Vice Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Nathan Gale be appointed Vice Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Carol Clark be appointed Chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Sally Ann Watson be appointed Chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Carol Clark be appointed Chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Barbara Inman be appointed Vice Chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Emily Tate be appointed Vice Chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Barbara Inman be appointed Vice Chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Pauline Beall be appointed Chair of the Crime and Disorder Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Alan Watson be appointed Chair of the Crime and Disorder Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Pauline Beall be appointed Chair of the Crime and Disorder Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Eileen Johnson and seconded by Councillor Bob Cook that Councillor Paul Rowling be appointed Vice Chair of the Crime and Disorder Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Hugo Stratton be appointed Vice Chair of the Crime and Disorder Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Paul Rowling be appointed Vice Chair of the Crime and Disorder Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor David Reynard be appointed Chair of the People Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Marilyn Surtees be appointed Chair of the People Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Marilyn Surtees be appointed Chair of the People Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Sufi Mubeen be appointed Vice Chair of the People for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Paul Weston be appointed Vice Chair of the People Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Paul Weston be appointed Vice Chair of the People Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Richard Eglington be appointed Chair of the Place Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Stefan Houghton be appointed Chair of the Place Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Richard Eglington be appointed Chair of the Place Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Hilary Vickers be appointed Vice Chair of the Place Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Katie Weston be appointed Vice Chair of the Place Select Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Katie Weston be appointed Vice Chair of the Place Select Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Dan Fagan be appointed Chair of Planning Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Mick Stoker be appointed Chair of Planning Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Mick Stoker be appointed Chair of Planning Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Michelle Bendelow be appointed Vice Chair of Planning Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Andrew Sherris be appointed Vice Chair of Planning Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Michelle Bendelow be appointed Vice Chair of Planning Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Elsi Hampton be appointed Chair of the General Licensing Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Bob Cook that Councillor Eileen Johnson be appointed Chair of the General Licensing Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Eileen Johnson be appointed Chair of the General Licensing Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Diane Clarke be appointed Vice Chair of the General Licensing Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Sylvia Walmsley and seconded by Councillor Ian Dalgarno that Councillor Mick Moore be appointed Vice Chair of the General Licensing

Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Mick Moore be appointed Vice Chair of the General Licensing Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Diane Clarke be appointed Chair of the Statutory Licensing Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Bob Cook that Councillor Eileen Johnson be appointed Chair of the Statutory Licensing Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Eileen Johnson be appointed Chair of the Statutory Licensing Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Elsi Hampton be appointed Vice Chair of the Statutory Licensing Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Sylvia Walmsley and seconded by Councillor Ian Dalgarno that Councillor Mick Moore be appointed Vice Chair of the Statutory Licensing Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Mick Moore be appointed Vice Chair of the Statutory Licensing Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Laura Tunney be appointed Chair of the Audit and Governance Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Barry Woodhouse be appointed Chair of the Audit and Governance Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Barry Woodhouse be appointed Chair of the Audit and Governance Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Norma Stephenson OBE be appointed Chair of the Employee Appeals Panel for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers

that Councillor Sally Ann Watson be appointed Chair of the Employee Appeals Panel for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Norma Stephenson OBE be appointed Chair of the Employee Appeals Panel for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Michelle Bendelow be appointed Vice Chair of the Employee Appeals Panel for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Alan Watson be appointed Vice Chair of the Employee Appeals Panel for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Michelle Bendelow be appointed Vice Chair of the Employee Appeals Panel for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Pauling Beall be appointed Chair of the Appeals and Complaints Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Elsi Hampton be appointed Chair of the Appeals and Complaints Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Pauline Beall be appointed Chair of the Appeals and Complaints Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Nigel Cooke be appointed Vice Chair of the Appeals and Complaints Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Dan Fagan be appointed Vice Chair of the Appeals and Complaints Committee for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Nigel Cooke be appointed Vice Chair of the Appeals and Complaints Committee for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Lisa Evans be appointed Chair of the Corporate Parenting Board for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Hilary Vickers be appointed Chair of the Corporate Parenting Board for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Lisa Evans be appointed Chair of the Corporate Parenting Board for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Carol Clark be appointed Vice Chair of the Corporate Parenting Board for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor David Reynard be appointed Vice Chair of the Corporate Parenting Board for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Carol Clark be appointed Vice Chair of the Corporate Parenting Board for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Paul Rowling and seconded by Councillor Eileen Johnson that Councillor Lisa Evans be appointed Vice Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

Moved by Councillor Tony Riordan and seconded by Councillor Marcus Vickers that Councillor Stephen Richardson be appointed Vice Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board for Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

At this point a vote took place.

RESOLVED that Councillor Lisa Evans be appointed Vice Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027.

22 Appointment of Council Representatives to Other Bodies for the Municipal Years 2023 - 2027

Members agreed the uncontested appointments of Council Representatives to Other Bodies for the Municipal Years 2023 - 2027.

RESOLVED that the following appointments be made for the Municipal Years 2023 – 2027:-

Association of North East Councils' Leaders and Elected Mayors' Group - Leader

Association of North East Councils' Collaborative Procurement Sub Committee - Leader

Catalyst - Cabinet Member for Access Communities and Community Safety

Housing, Neighbourhood and Affordable Warmth Partnership - Cabinet Member Regeneration and Housing

Hartlepool Power Station Community Liaison - Councillor Clare Gamble, Vacancies

LGA General Assembly - Councillors Bob Cook, Lisa Evans, Stephen, Richardson, Tony Riordan

North East Regional Employers' Organisation (NEREO) - Councillors Ann McCoy, Bob Cook, Vacancy

North Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority - Cabinet Member Environment and Transport

Ropner Trust - Councillors Bob Cook, Sufi Mubeen, Jim Taylor

Safer Stockton Partnership - Cabinet Member Access, Communities and Community Safety, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Cabinet Member for Health, Leisure and Culture

Schools' Forum - Councillor Carol Clark

Standing Advisory Council of Religious Education - Councillors Elsi Hampton, Barbara Inman, Vacancies

Stockton and District Advice and Information Service - Councillor Pauline Beall

Tees Active Management Board - Cabinet Member for Health Leisure and Culture, Councillor Ray Godwin

Teesside and District Society for the Blind - Vacancy

23 To agree the Council's Constitution

Council was invited to approve the Council's Constitution. Members had been provided with a link to the Constitution.

RESOLVED that the Council's Constitution be agreed.

24 Councillors' Corporate Parenting Pledge

The Worshipful the Mayor and the Leader of the Council signed the Corporate Parenting Pledge on behalf of the Council accepting all Members' role as Corporate Parents.

25 Close of Meeting

The Mayor closed the meeting and invited guests to the civic reception.

Mayor