

## COUNCIL

Wednesday, 16th May, 2012

**Present:-** The Mayor David Becket – in the Chair

Councillors Miss Walklate, Mrs Heames, Mrs Cornes, Welsh, Mrs Johnson, Studd, Mrs Burnett, Clarke, Cooper, Mrs Beech, Bannister, Hambleton, Howells, Cairns, Boden, Matthews, Olzewski, Mrs Hambleton, Wemyss, Wilkes, Mrs Williams, Williams, Mrs Astle, Fear, Hailstones, Mrs Hailstones, Allport, Eagles, Kearon, Taylor.J, Waring, Miss Olszewski, Lawton, Loades, Holland, Bailey, Miss Cooper, Jones, Miss Reddish, Robinson, Mrs Shenton, Mrs Simpson, Snell, Sweeney, Tagg, Mrs Bates, Stringer, Miss Baker, Mrs Burgess, Eastwood, Miss Mancey, Mrs Peers, Plant, White, Stubbs, Taylor.M, Turner and Mrs Winfield

### 1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### 2. **TO RECEIVE THE RETURNING OFFICER'S STATEMENT OF THE RESULT OF THE ELECTIONS HELD ON THURSDAY 3RD MAY 2012**

**Resolved:-** That the statement be received.

### 3. **TO ELECT A MAYOR FOR THE NEXT MUNICIPAL YEAR**

Following a proposition from Cllr Studd that was seconded by Cllr Boden, Cllr David Becket was elected Mayor for the forthcoming Municipal Year.

*The new Mayor, Councillor David Becket in the Chair.*

*The Mayor then made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.*

### 4. **TO APPOINT A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE NEXT MUNICIPAL YEAR INCLUDING THE DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**

On the proposition of Cllr George Cairns, seconded by Cllr Thomas Lawton, Councillor Eddie Boden was elected Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming Municipal Year.

### 5. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28TH MARCH 2012**

**Resolved: -** That the minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2012 be agreed as a correct record.

### 6. **MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTES**

Mayoress: Dr. Ann Becket  
High Constable: Professor Claire Holdsworth

Chaplain: Reverend Pamela Lane  
Mace Bearer: Lawrence Tagg

**7. THE MAYOR TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

The Mayor stated that he would present his speech in full at the Civic Reception at Keele University. The Mayor confirmed that his charities for the year would be Borderlines at the New Vic and the Realise Foundation. The Mayor thanked Cllr Trevor Hambleton and Cllr Sandra Hambleton for the hard work undertaken during the previous Municipal Year and highlighted the fact that through their efforts Newcastle Borough Council was held in high esteem throughout Staffordshire.

Cllr Snell also thanked the outgoing Mayor and Mayoress for the work undertaken on behalf of three charities both inside and outside of the Borough.

Thanks were also given to the Mayors Sergeant and Chauffeur.

**8. ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

Cllr Gareth Snell was appointed as Leader of the Council for the period 2012 to 2016.

**9. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

Councillor Snell announced the appointment of Councillor Boden as Deputy Leader of the Council.

**10. APPOINTMENTS OF CABINET**

Councillor Snell announced the appointment of Cabinet as follows:

<b>Member</b>	<b>Portfolio</b>
Cllr Snell:	Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Cllr Boden:	Regeneration, Planning and Town Centres
Cllr Stubbs:	Finance and Budget Management
Ann Beech:	Environment and Recycling
Elsie Bates:	Culture and Leisure
Tony Kearon:	Safer Communities
John Williams:	Stronger and Active Neighbourhoods

**11. REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES AND QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIR**

**Resolved:-** That the reports be received.

**12. REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE STATUTORY COMMITTEES AND QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIR**

**Resolved:-** That the reports be received.

**13. REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION**

**Resolved:** - (a) That the Council adopt the amendments to the Constitution recommended by the Working Group until the next full meeting of the Council.

(b) That the Working Group carries out a continued review of the Constitution.

(c) That 'Constitutional Review' forms part of the responsibilities of the Transformation and Resources Scrutiny Committee.

**14. REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL ON MEMBERS ALLOWANCES**

The Chair of the Transformation and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee recommended that a decision regarding the report of the Independent Remuneration Panel on Members Allowances be deferred until the next full meeting of the Council. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Beech. It was agreed that the report required in depth discussion and as such would be deferred.

**Resolved:** - (a) That the report be deferred until the next meeting of the Council.

(b) That the current Member Allowance Scheme be retained until a final decision is made.

**15. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES**

**Resolved:** - That the following Members serve on Standing Committees:

<b>Audit &amp; Risk</b>			
	Paul Waring	David Loades	Nigel Jones
	Sophia Baker	Tracey Peers	
	Terry Turner		
<b>Conservation Advisory</b>			
	Gill Burnett	Julie Cooper	Simon White
	Kyle Robinson		
	David Allport		
<b>Employees Consultative</b>			
	Terry Turner	Tracey Peers	Elizabeth Shenton
	Sandra Hambleton	Ashley Howells	
	John Taylor		
	Glyn Plant		
<b>Grants Assessment</b>			
	Joan Winfield	James Bannister	Dylis Cornes
	Tony Eagles	Ann Heames	June Walklate
	Hilda Johnson		
	Dave Stringer		
<b>Joint Parking</b>			
	Matt Taylor	Stephen Sweeney	Ian Wilkes
	George Cairns		

<b>Licensing</b>			
	Trevor Hambleton	John Cooper	Andrew Wemyss
	Thomas Lawton	Ann Heames	Billy Welsh
	Sandra Simpson	Simon Tagg	Simon White
	Gill Williams	Chloe Mancey	
	John Williams		
	Colin Eastwood		
	Joan Winfield		
	Elsie Bates		
<b>Planning</b>			
	Sandra Hambleton	Andrew Fear	Marion Reddish
	Gill Williams	Ashley Howells	Robin Studd
	Sophia Baker	Ian Matthews	Nigel Jones
	John Williams	Stephen Sweeney	
	Eddie Boden		
	Mick Clarke		
	George Cairns		
	Trevor Hambleton		
	Paul Waring		
<b>Public Protection</b>			
	Mark Olszewski	Linda Hailstones	Billy Welsh
	Sophie Olszewski	Peter Hailstones	June Walklate
	Reg Bailey	Gill Heesom	
	Gill Williams	Ian Matthews	
	Kyle Robinson		
	Tony Kearon		
	Dave Allport		
<b>Standards Committee</b>			
	Terry Turner	John Cooper	Andrew Wemyss
	Sandra Hambleton	Gill Heesom	
	George Cairns		
	John Taylor		
<b>Health Scrutiny</b>			
	Colin Eastwood	David Loades	David Becket
	Hilda Johnson	Linda Hailstones	
	John Taylor		
<b>Member Development Panel</b>			
	Sophie Olszewski	Julie Cooper	Robin Studd
	Eddie Boden	David Loades	Nigel Jones
	John Williams		
	Tony Kearon		
<b>Overview &amp; Scrutiny Co-ordinating</b>			
	Hilda Johnson	Stephen Sweeney	Elizabeth Shenton
	George Cairns	Ann Heames	June Walklate
	Gill Williams	Ian Matthews	
	Matt Taylor	David Loades	
	Sandra Hambleton		

	Colin Eastwood		
	Mark Olszewski		
<b>Active &amp; Cohesive Communities</b>			
	George Cairns	John Cooper	June Walklate
	Glyn Plant	Mark Holland	Dylis Cornes
	Joan Winfield	Gill Heesom	
	Gill Williams	James Bannister	
	Thomas Lawton		
	Reg Bailey		
	Sophie Olszewski		
<b>Cleaner, Greener &amp; Safer Communities</b>			
	Gill Williams	Peter Hailstones	Marion Reddish
	Silvia Burgess	Simon Tagg	Andrew Wemyss
	Kyle Robinson	Stephen Sweeney	
	Dave Allport	Chloe Mancey	
	Hilda Johnson		
	Sandra Simpson		
	Dave Stringer		
<b>Economic Development &amp; Enterprise</b>			
	Matt Taylor	Ian Matthews	Robin Studd
	Sophia Baker	Tracey Peers	Ian Wilkes
	Thomas Lawton	Mark Holland	
	Sophie Olszewski	Andrew Fear	
	Mark Olszewski		
	George Cairns		
	Margaret Astle		
<b>Transformation &amp; Resources</b>			
	Paul Waring	Ashley Howells	Elizabeth Shenton
	Dave Stringer	Tracey Peers	Simon White
	Trevor Hambleton	Andrew Fear	
	Sandra Hambleton	Ann Heames	
	Thomas Lawton		
	Colin Eastwood		
	Silvia Burgess		
<b>Police and Crime Panel</b>	Tony Kearon		

16. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS**

**Resolved:** - That the following Members be Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Committees:

<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b>CHAIR</b>	<b>VICE-CHAIR</b>
Audit & Risk	<b>PAUL WARING</b>	<b>SOPHIA BAKER</b>
Conservation Advisory	<b>GILL BURNETT</b>	<b>JULIE COOPER</b>

Employees Consultative	<b>TERRY TURNER</b>	
Grants Assessment	<b>JOAN WINFIELD</b>	
Joint Parking	<b>MATT TAYLOR</b>	
Licensing	<b>TREVOR HAMBLETON</b>	<b>THOMAS LAWTON</b>
Planning	<b>ANDREW FEAR</b>	<b>SANDRA HAMBLETON</b>
Public Protection	<b>MARK OLSZEWSKI</b>	<b>SOPHIE OLSZEWSKI</b>
Standards Committee	<b>INDEPENDENT CHAIR</b>	<b>TERRY TURNER</b>
Health Scrutiny	<b>COLIN EASTWOOD</b>	
Overview & Scrutiny Co-ordinating	<b>ELIZABETH SHENTON</b>	<b>HILDA JOHNSON</b>
Active & Cohesive Communities	<b>GEORGE CAIRNS</b>	<b>JUNE WALKLATE</b>
Cleaner, Greener & Safer Communities	<b>GILL WILLAMS</b>	<b>STEPHEN SWEENEY</b>
Economic Development & Enterprise	<b>IAN MATTHEWS</b>	<b>MATT TAYLOR</b>
Transformation & Resources	<b>ELIZABETH SHENTON</b>	<b>ANN HEAMES</b>

**17. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS**

A petition was submitted by Cllr Margaret Astle in relation to the removal of trees in front of the playground at Maryhill Primary School.

**THE MAYOR DAVID BECKET**  
**Chair**