

COUNCIL
12th May 2016

PRESENT – The Mayor; Councillors Baldwin, Carson, Copeland, Coultas, Crichlow, Crudass, Crumbie, Mrs. Culley, Curry, Dixon, Donoghue, Galletley, Harker, I. Haszeldine, L. Haszeldine, C. L. B. Hughes, L. Hughes, Johnson, Kelly, Knowles, Lawton, Lyonette, McEwan, Mills, Newall, K. Nicholson, M. Nicholson, Regan, E. A. Richmond, S. Richmond, A. J. Scott, Mrs. H. Scott, Stenson, C. Taylor, Wallis and York. (37)

APOLOGIES – Councillors Cossins, B. Jones, Mrs. D. Jones, Kane, Kelley, Lee, Lister, Storr, J. Taylor, Tostevin and Wright. (11)

ABSENT – Councillors Cartwright and Grundy. (2)

71. MINUTES – Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Council, held on 17th March 2016.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be approved as a correct record.

72. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting.

73. ORDER OF SEALING DOCUMENTS – Presented – The Register showing the documents which had been sealed since the last meeting of Council.

74. ANNOUNCEMENTS – There were no announcements made at the meeting.

75. QUESTIONS – TO ANSWER QUESTIONS (WHERE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN) FROM – (1) The Public – There were no questions from members of the public.

(2) Members to Cabinet/Chairs – There were no questions from Members, where notice had been given, for the Mayor, Members of the Cabinet, or the Chairs of the Scrutiny Committees.

(3) Police and Crime Commissioner for Durham and Darlington – The Police and Crime Commissioner for Durham and Darlington was not in attendance at the meeting.

76. COUNCIL REPORTS – (a) Darlington Local Development Scheme (LDS) 2016-2019 – The Director of Economic Growth submitted a report (previously circulated) to seek approval of the Darlington Local Development Scheme (LDS) for 2016-2019.

The submitted report stated that the Council was required to prepare a LDS by Section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, as amended by

Section 111 of the Localism Act 2011. It was reported that the LDS set out the planning policy documents that the Council would need to prepare over the forthcoming three years, when the key stages of preparation would be, the scope of each document, and the resources available for, and the risks to, their preparation. A copy of the Local Development Scheme 2016-2019 was appended to the submitted report.

RESOLVED – That the updated Local Development Scheme (2016-19), as appended to the submitted report, be approved and take effect from 13 May 2016.

REASON – To have an up to date Local Development Scheme (Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, as amended by Section 111, Localism Act 2011).

77. CABINET REPORTS – (a) Overview Reports of Cabinet Members – The Cabinet Members each gave a report (previously circulated) on the main areas of work undertaken under their relevant portfolio during the previous cycle of meetings. Cabinet Members answered questions on their portfolios.

(b) Cabinet Urgent Decisions - The Director of Director of Children and Adults Services and the Director of Economic Growth submitted a report (previously circulated) detailing a decision taken by Cabinet as a matter of urgency and to which the procedure for call-in could not be applied.

RESOLVED – That the urgent decisions taken by Cabinet be noted.

REASON – To comply with the Council's Constitution.

78. SCRUTINY REPORTS – OVERVIEW REPORTS – The five Scrutiny Committee Chairs each submitted a report (previously circulated) on the main areas of work undertaken by their relevant Scrutiny Committee during the last cycle of Committee meetings.

79. MEMBERSHIP CHANGES – There were no membership changes reported at the meeting.