

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Council held in the Spirella Ballroom,
Icknield Way, Letchworth Garden City
on Thursday, 31st August, 2017 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors David Barnard, Judi Billing, Faye S. Frost, Jean Green, Gary Grindal, Ian Mantle, Frank Radcliffe, Valentine Shanley and Terry Tyler.

2 MINUTES - 19 JULY 2017

RESOLVED: That, subject to the inclusion of the name of Councillor Nicola Harris in the list of those who had given their apologies for absence, the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 19 July 2017 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

No additional was presented for consideration by the Council.

4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1) Councillor John Booth

It was with great pleasure that the Chairman presented an engraved picture, together with the framed Council resolution of thanks, to the past Chairman, Councillor John Booth. Councillor Booth thanked the Council for the gift.

(2) Councillor Jim McNally

The Chairman conveyed his congratulations to Jim McNally and his partner, Barbara, on their recent success at the FINA World Masters Diving Championships in Budapest. They won a total of eight medals in various categories, including a gold in a mixed synchronised diving event.

Councillor Weeks also paid tribute to Councillor McNally's achievement, and asked that this be recorded in the minutes. Councillor McNally thanked the Chairman and Councillor Weeks for their kind words.

(3) Declarations of Interest

The Chairman reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- (i) Mr David Leal-Bennett (Director and Company Secretary - HTH Finance Ltd)
- (ii) Stephen Pike (Hitchin Town Hall Limited)

6 ITEM REFERRED FROM CABINET: 25 JULY 2017 - CORPORATE PLAN 2018 TO 2023

RESOLVED: That the Corporate Plan 2018 to 2023, as attached at Appendix A to the report, be adopted.

REASON FOR DECISION: To ensure that a suitable, high level policy document is in place to inform the Council's Corporate Business Planning process.

7 ITEM REFERRED FROM CABINET: 25 JULY 2017 - MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2018-2023

RESOLVED: That the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2018-2023, as attached at Appendix A to the report, be adopted.

REASON FOR DECISION: To assist in the process of forward planning the use of Council resources and in budget setting for 2018/19 to 2022/23, culminating in the setting of the Council Tax precept for 2018/19 in February 2018.

8 ITEM REFERRED FROM CABINET: 25 JULY 2017 - CAPITAL PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE CARDIO AND RESISTANCE FITNESS EQUIPMENT FOR THE COUNCIL'S HITCHIN AND ROYSTON LEISURE FACILITIES

RESOLVED: That the project for the purchase of Cardio and Resistance fitness equipment for the Hitchin and Royston Leisure Centres, as detailed in the report, be approved and added to the Council's Capital Programme for 2017/18 onwards.

REASON FOR DECISION: To help in achieving the Council's Attractive and Thriving corporate objective, through increasing health and wellbeing, and ensure customer satisfaction is maintained within the Council's Leisure Facilities.

9 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

Members submitted questions on the following:

- (A) Homelessness
- (B) Commercialisation
- (C) Charges for collection of garden waste

10 NOTICE OF MOTIONS

There were no notices of motions.