

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MELTON

BAPTIST CHURCH, LEICESTER ROAD, MELTON MOWBRAY

12 MAY 2010

PRESENT :-

Councillor E. Holmes (Outgoing Mayor); Councillor M. Moore (Incoming Mayor)
P.M. Baguley, M.W. Barnes, G.E. Botterill, P.M. Chandler
C.O. Chapman, P. Cumbers, M. Dean, S. Dungworth, A. Freer, M.C.R. Graham MBE
J. Illingworth, A. Jackson, R. Marks, R.F. Moore-Coltman
T. Moncrieff, M. O'Callaghan, P.M. Posnett
J.B. Rhodes, M.R. Sheldon, N. Slater, D.R. Wright, J. Wyatt

Chief Executive
Corporate Director (CM)
Civic Officer, Democratic Services Officer

The Reverend Kevin Ashby offered prayers

CO1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Angrave, Holt, D.E. Orson and J.T. Orson.

CO2. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS INCLUDING PRESENTATION BY THE YOUNG MAYOR AND YOUTH COUNCIL

- (a) The Young Mayor, Vaz Mohankumar, thanked the Mayor for her support and encouragement and also stated that he looked forward to working with the new Mayor.
- (b) The Melton Youth Council gave a presentation on the work and achievements of the Youth Council over the past year. They referred to the success of the Youth Conference held in October 2009 and the involvement of school youth councils in engaging more young people to express the views of young people. To further their work, they stated that they were to form a Youth Forum; they were working on a music event to be held in the summer 2010 and recruiting more members to the Youth Council.
- (c) The Mayor

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- thanked the Young Mayor and Youth Council for their presentations;
- stated that she had been well received throughout the Borough and the generosity of everyone had been astounding;
- stated that she had raised approximately £11,000 for her Appeal to be split between Diabetes locally and Riding for the Disabled and this amount could not have been achieved without the support of the people of this Borough especially the rural community. Every penny donated had been most gratefully received and she had been amazed at the willingness and interest shown by local people to fund-raise for her Mayor's Appeal especially considering the economic climate;
- stated that throughout the year she had visited many different organisations all of which had shown great interest in the Mayoralty and which in turn had led to a more democratic understanding of the work of Borough Councillors. One of the first duties was to visit Sochaczew in Poland and last Sunday she attended a service at the Polish Church to commemorate the tragic loss of life of their Prime Minister, members of the government and armed forces. As always she had been warmly welcomed. She advised she had been involved in many memorable events during the year and had networked with Mayors and Chairmen from the Midlands, Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire;
- presented gifts of thanks to the Mayoress, the Young Mayor and her Civic Officers and paid tribute to her husband and daughters who had provided backup support throughout the year;
- thanked Members and officers for all their help and advice during the year and wished the incoming Mayor every success in the term ahead and hoped that the year would be as fulfilling and rewarding as the past year has been for her.

CO3. ELECTION OF MAYOR

Councillor Freer proposed that Councillor Moore be elected Mayor for the period until the Annual Meeting in 2011. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Wright.

RESOLVED that Councillor Moore be elected Mayor of the Borough of Melton for the period until the Annual Meeting in 2011.

CO4. <u>INVESTITURE OF MAYOR AND CONSORT</u>

(a) Councillor Moore read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Councillor Holmes invested her successor with the Chain of Office.

The Mayoress, Mrs. Harvey, then invested Mr. Moore with the Consort Chain of Office.

(The new Mayor, Councillor Moore, in the Chair.)

(b) Councillor Moore gave thanks for her election and paid tribute to Councillor Holmes' year in office.

CO5. VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS

Councillor Chandler proposed and Councillor Barnes seconded a vote of thanks for the retiring Mayor and Mayoress.

CO6. <u>ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR</u>

Councillor Moore proposed that Councillor Freer be elected Deputy Mayor for the period until the Annual Meeting in 2011. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Graham.

RESOLVED that Councillor Freer be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Melton for the period until the Annual Meeting in 2011.

CO7. INVESTITURE OF DEPUTY MAYOR AND CONSORT

(a) Councillor Freer read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Mayor, Councillor Moore, then invested Councillor Freer with the Deputy Mayor's Chain of Office.

- Mr. Moore invested Mr. Jones with the Deputy Mayor's Consort Chain of Office.
- (b) Councillor Freer gave thanks for her election.

CO8. <u>ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</u>

Councillor Wright proposed that Councillor Graham be appointed Leader of the Council for the period until the Annual Meeting in 2011. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Marks.

RESOLVED that Councillor Graham be appointed Leader of the Council for the period until the Annual Meeting in 2011.

CO9. LEADER'S REPORT

The Leader, Councillor Graham, referred to the following in his Leader's Report :-

- (a) congratulated the Mayor on her election to be the Mayor for the ensuing year he considered it was testament to the proactive way that she had proceeded in the last three years as a Councillor and the respect that she had built up because of this activity around her areas of interest;
- (b) referred to the Mayor as being one of many Councillors who were elected for the first time in 2007 and like all those newly elected who entered the

fascinating and rewarding world of local government she would have known the things that she felt were wrong with this Council and the things that she wanted to change. It did not take long for Councillors to realise that dreams could not always come true;

- (c) he considered that when Councillors got used to the strange life of a Councillor one question they would ask themselves was are Councillors here to serve or are they here to lead and are the two compatible? Are they here for the short term or the long term? All Councillors like to be liked and they never get used to the letters in the paper that criticise them for whatever reasons, written by people who take the line that Councillors were here to serve and should do their bidding;
- (d) he questioned whether that was the case and asked were Councillors here to be community leaders and not just go for the quick fix but plan for the future as best they could and that may mean not making a popular decision but making a decision that they knew would be unpopular in the short term but would pay future dividends. Councillors all faced these questions on a daily basis and came from differing viewpoints. Only recently Councillors were saying that the Council must not raise Council Tax to a certain level because our residents did not want this and Councillors must not put up car parking charges because shops and car owners did not like it but the Council must spend money on opening and maintaining toilets, doing up car parks and so many other items that were on the wish list because residents wanted that;
- (e) there are many Councils that have said 'let us buy popularity and worry about the finances later'. Some on this Council may have tried to 'bury their head in the sand' and pretend that the economic crisis that Councillors now face was not going to effect Melton – it had and it would continue to, for some years to come and the sooner Councillors realised that they could not be all things to all people the better. There had been a Government for several years that had borrowed and spent money and built up debts in the process, which would now have to be repaid and it would be painful. On 6 May 2010 at the General Election, the Country spoke and although no one was really certain what it had said, political Leaders were now pooling resources to try and fight a financial crisis of epic proportions;
- (f) he questioned how this affected Melton, Part of the complication was funding the Council had known in the past that it felt that the Labour Government did not like rural areas and poured revenue support grant monies into the inner cities, their heartland, leaving Melton with only six other Councils in the Country receiving less funding than Melton. Despite the problems that the Council faced supplying services, to our approximately 50,000 population over an area of 50,000 hectares. The revenue support grant was a wonderful mechanism under the control of ministers that was impossible to unravel and none knew how it would change now that the end of the three year funding term had been reached. The Conservative Party had assured the Council that as long as the rate of Council Tax increase did not go above 2.5% they would cover that rise The Council did not know the future cost of under a new regime. concessionary bus fares. The Council knew that at the moment inflation and interest rates were low, but questioned how long it would be before they started to rise. There were so many unknowns nationally, not just about the long term future but also the short term. It was therefore so important that the Council continued with caution, in times of difficulty - cash was king - and the Council

must preserve its very limited resources and reserves were needed for those unforeseen items that occur;

- (g) after the fire there were those who said 'rebuild what was lost immediately with the insurance money and the Council could be up and running in no time'. This short term view of rebuild what was lost, had a vocal following - it was a risk free option and if this had been done the Council could probably be holding this meeting in a revived Council Chamber and residents would have said how well the Council had done to be back on its feet so guickly. How true, but the Council's underlying issues would not have changed and the Council would be struggling on with limited funds and a totally uneconomic building. On this occasion the Council had taken the long term decision to invest external funds in creating a new Headquarters that could be shared with partners and those partners would contribute to the overheads. This building will be smaller and more efficient: it was interesting to note that nationally the average space that local authorities allowed for each member of staff was 15 square metres; the previous offices had a 19 and the new one would have 9 square metres per member of staff. That statistic was only one that demonstrated how by spending less on its offices, the Council could direct more resources into coping with the uncertain future:
- (h) during the past election, people had heard little else apart from that savings could be made from being more efficient – local government had faced Gershon savings for a number of years and the Council was discovering it was hard to find even more but that would not stop the Council looking;
- (i) there were some who said let the Council carry on as before, there was a capital receipt coming and the promise of this could be used to ease the Council's position in the short term. He disagreed strongly. It was important that the Council ignored any possible capital receipt for the Nottingham Road site – too often had he seen money spent on a promise that never arrived. The Council must not bank on this money;
- (j) the point of this speech was to look back on the past year and forward to the new and he had tried to set this in the context of the national situation. He did not consider that the picture was doom and gloom;
- (k) he had painted a picture of an abyss that no one knew how deep it was but then referred to looking back at where the Council had come from. This was the last Annual Meeting of this Council and over the last three years the Council had seen how a fire totally rearranged the way the Council thought and worked. This Council had taken the positives of what could have been a disaster and regrouped in a way that had made the Council so much stronger than before. The future would be difficult and so what should the Council do – it was at times of uncertainty that basic instincts were trusted and those who have been connected over the last few years with this Council knew that when push comes to shove the Council could always rely on its fantastic staff who had, over the last few years gone through a tremendous culture shock and would have even more changes to face in the months to come, the Council owed them such a debt and they achieve so much:
- (I) in the fire the Council lost its copies of the Council's A-Z of services, although found a copy in his own filing system. In it, are listed around a hundred services that are supplied and all of these were done by what was referred to

as 172 full time equivalents and the services listed do not include caretakers and Customer service staff etc. who in their own way are so important to the way the Council delivers its services. The Council was a lean mean machine, it had to be in the past and it would continue to be in the future. Although that would not stop the Council from continuing to punch above our weight;

- (m)as agreed at the last Council meeting, the Council wanted to have more responsibility for delivering services itself. 'Total Place' was the buzz word going around in local Government at the moment and the Council was trying hard to establish that it delivered services from the bottom up and not have them imposed from the top down. he expected to receive a report on how these talks were going in early June;
- (n) how far ahead of its time the Council had been. The Council was going to have to and he wanted to, work in partnership to deliver projects to the community and the Council was good and well practiced at this but the Council did have to stand up to bigger partners to ensure that it was treated equally and was not subservient and when this worked there were enormous benefits. He referred to The Hub and the three new Children's Centres in the priority neighbourhoods as examples and that they had been so beneficial and although he was not in favour of continual testing, the flattering Ofsted report they received was a credit to all concerned. He hoped that national parties could replicate this success;
- (o) Councillors did not say to the people of Melton three years ago vote for us and they would deliver everything they wanted. The three promises that were aspired to were that they would look after the Council's finances and at this stage he thanked all those in the finance department for all they did in keeping the Council on track through this incredibly difficult time and also dealing with what was a very complicated insurance claim. As he had said already, looking after our finances was hard and was going to get harder but without sound finances the Council could store up troubles for the future. The Council had not been afraid to acquire and dispose of assets during this past year as part of a managed use of our resources. The acquisition of the remaining part of the Town Station Site would have massive benefits in the future and the fact that the Council had managed to negotiate the reduction of a 27 year lease to 2 years for the abattoir. The Council continually tried to find better ways to do things as was shown by our Land Charges section who now break even rather than a substantial loss and this had allowed fees to remain without an increase for the last three years. There was a saying that 'many a mickle makes a muckle' and it was in these new ways of working that the Council could hopefully find a few more mickles;
- (p) Councillors stated that if they were going to do something they would do it well, again easy to say and as in any organisation harder to deliver. The way that last Thursday's election was run in Melton had gained praise from all quarters. The Council had struggled in the past with grounds maintenance and of course it was tempting fete but by working with County Council colleagues the grounds maintenance team had, according to visual audits delivered enormous improvements. The Council recycled about 50% of its refuse and was working hard on improving this figure. Planning performance had recovered to pre fire levels and was within the top 20% nationally. When it came to building control 95% of sites were visited within 90 days and a substantial house builder had chosen the Council to deliver building control services rather than the

NHBC of which they were members;

- (q) our third pledge was that we would look after the more vulnerable members of the community and it was on this pledge that he felt most proud of what had been achieved. It does not make easy copy for newspapers and in fact because the Council was dealing with individuals the Council probably didn't want too much recognition but the Council had targeted so much of its limited resources into the vulnerable sector. Anyone who had been involved in any way with the Family Intervention Project known as the FIP would have been so impressed by what had been seen and the Council was grateful for the over £100,000 in external funding that helped support this programme – at this moment 16 families in our Borough were receiving help from the FIP. He asked was not this what the Council was here for:
- (r) at the same time the Council had expanded its pathways project helping with the resettlement of ex-offenders. The Council encouraged and helped with 'pride weeks' in priority neighbourhoods and the installation of three Multi use games areas (MUGAs) had been well received and were so much a part of why the Council had the best performing Key Performance indicator for participation in physical activity in the County. All this and so much more that the Council did or enabled had spin offs and contributed to the fact that the Council had seen a reduction in all crime by 20% in the Borough especially burglary, car crime and theft. It was also rewarding that the introduction of numerous diversionary activities including the Safer Summer Programme had reduced anti-social behaviour by 11% and a reduction in underage alcohol misuse:
- (s) he knew that as he listed achievements it turned into a shopping list and left out so many of those 172 full time equivalents and their important contributions all of which were appreciated so much;
- (t) it just left him to wish the Mayor an enjoyable year and thank everyone who had helped to make the last year so successful. He stated that the Council looked forward to an exciting year ahead as it watched with interest for progress on the Nottingham Road Site and the construction of the new offices by the station.

CO10. ELECTION OF DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Botterill proposed that Councillor Wright be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council for the period until the Annual Meeting in 2011. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Graham.

RESOLVED that Councillor Wright be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council for the period until the Annual Meeting in 2011.

CO11. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor

(a) welcomed the new Deputy Mayor and Consort, Councillor Freer and Mr. Jones, to their new roles;

(b) announced her appeal for 2010/11 which would be in aid of the Air Ambulance. In addition she would also raise funds to implement a watering system for the hanging baskets on Burton Road Bridge.

CO12. ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES, MEMBERSHIP OF FORUMS, PARTNERSHIPS, WORKING GROUPS, OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND APPOINTMENT OF LEAD MEMBERS

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copies of which had previously been circulated to Members) and circulated amended Appendices A and B at the meeting which included a revised allocation of seats due to recent changes to two group memberships since distribution of the agenda. The report and appendices

(a) explained that the following table showed the number of Councillors in each political group, the percentage of representation within the Council and the allocation of seats over the 6 Committees that required to be politically balanced:

Group	No. of Councillors	Percentage	Allocation of Seats over 6 Committees
Conservative	20	71.43%	40.7151 = 41
Independent	3	10.71%	6.1047 = 6
Labour	3	10.71%	6.1047 = 6
Independents 2	2	7.14%	4.071 = 4
Totals	28	100%	57 seats

(b) explained that the following table showed the Group Leaders' proposals and the political balance position given the percentages involved:-

2010/11	APP	CSA	DEV	OSA	PFA	REEA	TOTALS
Conservative	3	7	8	7	7	8	40
Independent	1	2	2	2	2	2	6
Labour	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Independent 2	0	1	1	1	1	1	5
					(Vacancy)		
Totals	5	10	11	10	10	11	57

- (c) contained the proposals of the political groups for positions and membership in respect of the following:-
 - Appendix A.2: Committees and a Sub-Committee
 - Appendix B.2: Chairmen and Vice Chairmen
 - Appendix C: Forums, Partnerships and Working Groups
 - Appendix D : Outside Organisations
 - Appendix E: Lead Members
- (d) advised that political balance was not required for the Licensing or Standards Committees;
- (e) explained that where political balance rules applied, the Council may vary the requirements by resolution provided that no Member of the Council voted against

the recommendation.

Motion

The Leader proposed recommendation 2.1 (Political Balance). Councillor Wright seconded the motion. On being put to the vote, the majority were in favour and there were no votes against.

Motion

The Leader proposed recommendation 2.2 (Appendix A.2) with the amendment that Councillor Cumbers be deleted from the Standards Committee membership. Councillor Wright seconded the motion. On being put to the vote, the majority were in favour.

Motion

With regard to recommendation 2.3 (Appendix B.2), Councillor Moore-Coltman proposed that Councillor Holt be the Chair of the Overview, Scrutiny and Audit Committee. Councillor Chapman seconded the motion.

Amendment

Councillor Jackson proposed that Councillor Holmes be the Chair of the Overview, Scrutiny and Audit Committee. Councillor Dean seconded the amendment.

Amendment

Councillor O'Callaghan proposed that Councillor Dungworth be the Chair of the Overview, Scrutiny and Audit Committee. Councillor Moncrieff seconded the amendment.

The nominations for the 3 prospective candidates for the role of Chair of the Overview, Scrutiny and Audit Committee were put to the vote and the results were as follows:-

Councillor Holt 5
Councillor Holmes 9
Councillor Dungworth 6

The Councillor with the lowest number of votes was removed from the contest and the 2 remaining candidates were put to the vote again and the results were as follows:-

Councillor Holmes 12 Councillor Dungworth 7

Therefore Councillor Holmes was appointed as the Chair of the Overview, Scrutiny and Audit Committee until the Annual Meeting in 2011.

Councillor Jackson proposed Councillor Dungworth for the Vice Chair of the same Committee. Councillor Dean seconded the motion.

Recommendation 2.3 (Appendix B.2) was carried with Councillor Holmes as the Chair and Councillor Dungworth as the Vice Chair of the Overview, Scrutiny and Audit Committee.

Motion

Councillor Graham proposed and Councillor Wright seconded recommendation 2.4 (Appendix C) with the amendment that the membership of the Leicestershire Highway Forum be as follows:-

Councillors P.M. Chandler

P. Cumbers R. Marks J. Wyatt

and the membership of the Planning Enforcement Working Group be as follows :-

Councillors M.W. Barnes

P. Baguley G.E. Botterill P.M. Chandler P. Cumbers

The motion was carried.

Motion

With regard to recommendations 2.5-2.8, these were proposed by Councillor Graham and seconded by Councillor Wright and subsequently carried.

RESOLVED that

(1) the political balance percentages and number of seats allocated to each political group over the Committees be approved as follows:-

2010/11	APP	CSA	DEV	O&S	PFA	REEA	TOTALS
Conservative	3	7	8	7	7	8	40
Independent	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Labour	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Independent 2	0	1	1	1	1	1	5
•					(Vacancy)		
Totals	5	10	11	10	10	11	57

- (2) it be noted that political balance is not required for the Licensing and Standards Committees:
- (3) it be noted that in accordance with the political balance rules set out in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, S15-17 (as amended) political balance is to be achieved in total across all the Committees and within all individual Committees requiring political balance, the same applies to the Sub-Committee:
- (4) the following Members be appointed to Committees and a Sub-Committee until the Annual Meeting in 2011:-

Political Balance - Required :-

Committee	Membership 2010/11
Appeals	Conservative C.O. Chapman (C)
5 Members	P. Cumbers (VC) N. Slater
Political Balance : Required	Independent A. Jackson
3 Conservative 1 Independent 1 Labour	<u>Labour</u> S. Dungworth
Community & Social Affairs	Conservative P.M. Chandler
10 Members Political Balance: Required	A. Freer M.C.R. Graham MBE P.M. Posnett (C) M.R. Sheldon (VC) D.R. Wright J. Wyatt
7 Conservative 1 Independent 1 Labour 1 Independents 2	Independent M. Dean Labour S. Dungworth
	Independents 2 R. Holt
Development 11 Members	Conservative P. Baguley M.W. Barnes (VC) G.E. Botterill
Political Balance : Required 8 Conservative	P.M. Chandler (C) P. Cumbers J. Illingworth M.R. Sheldon J. Wyatt
1 Independent1 Labour1 Independents 2	Independent E. Holmes
	Labour T. Moncrieff
	Independents 2 R.F. Moore-Coltman

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Committee	Membership 2010/11
Overview, Scrutiny & Audit	Conservative
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	P. Cumbers
10 Members	J. Illingworth
	D.E. Orson
Political Balance :	N. Slater
Required	M.R. Sheldon
rtoquilou	Vacancy
7 Conservative	
1 Independent	<u>Independent</u>
1 Labour	E. Holmes (C)
1 Independents 2	,
	Labour
	S. Dungworth (VC)
	, ,
	Independents 2
	R. Holt
Policy, Finance &	Conservative
Administration	N.R.G. Angrave
	M.C.R. Graham MBE (C)
10 Members	R. Marks
	J.T. Orson
Political Balance :	P.M. Posnett
Required	J.B. Rhodes
	D.R. Wright (VC)
7 Conservative	
1 Independent	<u>Independent</u>
1 Labour	A. Jackson
1 Independents 2	
	Labour
	M. O'Callaghan
	Independents 2
	Vacancy
Rural, Economic and	Conservative
Environmental Affairs	N.R.G. Angrave (C)
	P. Baguley
	G.E. Botterill
11 Members	A. Freer
	M.C.R. Graham MBE
Political Balance :	D.E. Orson (VC)
Required	J. B. Rhodes
'	N. Slater
8 Conservative	
1 Independent	<u>Independent</u>
1 Labour	E. Holmes
1 Independents 2	
	Labour
	T. Moncrieff
	Independents 2
	R.F. Moore-Coltman

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Sub-Committee	Membership 2010/11
Council Business	Conservative
Development Sub-Committee	M.C.R. Graham MBE (C)
	R. Marks
Political Balance :	P.M. Posnett
Required	D.R. Wright (VC)
4 Conservative 1 Independent 1 Labour + Chair or Vice Chair of Extraordinary Efficiency Task Group	Independent A. Jackson Labour M. O'Callaghan Chair of Extraordinary Efficiency Task Group To be appointed by the Task Group

Political Balance - Not Required :-

Committee	Membership 2010/11
Licensing	Conservative P.M. Chandler P. Cumbers
10 Members	R. Marks (C) P.M. Posnett
Political Balance : Not required	N. Slater J. Wyatt (VC)
	Independent A. Jackson
	<u>Labour</u> S. Dungworth
	Independents 2 -

Standards	Conservative
	C.O. Chapman
	P.M. Chandler
4 Members	
	<u>Independent</u>
Political Balance :	E. Holmes
Not required	
	<u>Labour</u>
	S. Dungworth
	Independents 2
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(5) the following be appointed as the Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Committees and the Sub-Committee until the Annual Meeting in 2011:-

Committee	Chairman	Vice-Chairman
Appeals	C.O. Chapman	P. Cumbers
Community & Social Affairs	P.M. Posnett	M.R. Sheldon
Development	P.M. Chandler	M.W. Barnes
Licensing	R. Marks	J. Wyatt
Overview & Scrutiny	E. Holmes	S. Dungworth
Policy, Finance & Administration	M.C.R. Graham MBE	D.R. Wright
Rural, Economic & Environmental Affairs	N.R.G. Angrave	D.E. Orson
Council Business Development Sub-Committee	M.C.R. Graham MBE	D.R. Wright

(6) the following be appointed as the Council's representatives on Forums, Partnerships and Working Groups until the Annual Meeting in 2011:-

Forums	Membership 2010/11
Leicestershire County Council Highway Forum	P.M. Chandler P. Cumbers R. Marks J. Wyatt

Seniors' Forum	P. Cumbers N. Slater Vacancy Vacancy
Tenants' Forum	P.M. Chandler M. Moore P.M. Posnett D.R. Wright

Partnerships	Appointments 2010/11
Leicestershire Household Waste Management Steering Group	N.R.G. Angrave Vice Chair of REEA (Sub)
Leicestershire Rural Partnership	D.R. Wright
Melton Area Safer Communities Partnership	P. Cumbers R. Marks P.M. Posnett N. Slater
Melton Community Partnership	M.C.R. Graham MBE
Welland Partnership Board	M.C.R. Graham MBE D.R. Wright J. Wyatt
Welland Joint Committee	M.C.R. Graham MBE D.R. Wright

Working Groups	Membership 2010/11
Budget & Strategic Planning Working Group	N.R.G. Angrave M.C.R. Graham MBE
Political Balance required:	A. Jackson
4 Conservative 1 Independent	M. O'Callaghan P.M. Posnett
1 Labour	D.R. Wright
Cattle Market Working Group	N.R.G. Angrave C.O. Chapman
Political Balance required:	A. Freer
6 Conservative 1 Independent	E. Holmes R. Marks
1 Labour	T. Moncrieff
	J. B. Rhodes D.R. Wright

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Joint Staff Working Group Political Balance required: 5 Conservative 1 Independent 1 Labour	C.O. Chapman P. Cumbers S. Dungworth M.C.R. Graham MBE E. Holmes R. Marks D.E. Orson
Planning Enforcement Working Group	P. Baguley M.W. Barnes G.E. Botterill P.M. Chandler P. Cumbers
Waterfield Leisure Pools Working Group	M.C.R. Graham MBE P.M. Posnett M.R. Sheldon N. Slater D.R. Wright

(7) the following be appointed as the Council's representatives on Outside Organisations until the Annual Meeting in 2011:-

Organisation	Appointments 2010/11
De Montfort University Court	Mayor – M. Moore Deputy Mayor – A. Freer
East Midlands' Leaders' Board	M.C.R. Graham MBE D.R. Wright (Sub)
Friends of Carnegie Museum	R. Marks
Grantham Canal Partnership	P.M. Chandler
Homestart Management Committee	P. Cumbers
LGA – General Assembly	M.C.R. Graham MBE
LGA – Performance Management	M.C.R. Graham MBE
LGA – Rural Commission	M.C.R. Graham MBE
LGA – Urban Commission	P. Cumbers
Leicestershire and Rutland Playing Fields Association	P.M. Chandler

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Melton Borough Citizens' Advice Bureau – Management Cttee	P.M. Chandler R. Marks
Melton & Oakham Waterways Local Authority Working Group	P. Cumbers
Melton Mowbray & District Twinning Association	Mayor – M. Moore Deputy Mayor – A. Freer R. Marks P.M. Posnett
Melton & District Furniture Project	P. Cumbers
Melton Young Singles Trust (MYST)	P.M. Posnett
Sir John Sedley Educational Foundation	M.C.R. Graham MBE
Voluntary Action Melton	M. Moore

(8) the following be appointed as the Council's Lead Members until the Annual Meeting in 2011:-

Priorities	Appointments 2010/11
Affordable Housing	P.M. Posnett
Community Safety	P.M. Posnett
Economic Development	N.R.G. Angrave
Neighbourhood Priority Areas	J. Wyatt
Town Centre	A. Freer
Transport	R. Marks
Waste/Environment	N.R.G. Angrave
Youth	P.M. Posnett
Internal Activity	Appointments 2010/11
Asset Management	M.C.R. Graham MBE
Customer Services	D.R. Wright
Efficiencies/Gershon/Value for Money	M.C.R. Graham MBE J.T. Orson
Equalities	P. Cumbers

Performance Management	M.C.R. Graham MBE D.R. Wright
Procurement	D.E. Orson
Risk Management	P. Cumbers M. Moore J.B. Rhodes
Training/Culture/Workforce Strategy	D.E. Orson
Service Areas	Appointments 2010/11
Access	N. Slater
Arts/Development (Heritage)	A. Freer
Finance	M.C.R. Graham MBE
Health	P.M. Posnett
Planning	M.W. Barnes P.M. Chandler
Regulation	R. Marks
Seniors	P. Cumbers
Twinning	Mayor – M. Moore

CO13. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

The meeting which commenced at 7 p.m., closed at 8.20 p.m.

Mayor