

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE CHAMBER, MOSSLEY MILL ON TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER 2016 AT 6.30 PM

In the Chair

: The Mayor (Councillor J Scott)

**Members Present** 

Aldermen - F Agnew, W DeCourcy,

M Cosgrove, and J Smyth

Councillors - D Arthurs, T Beatty, J Bingham,

J Blair, L Clarke, H Cushinan, B Duffin,

M Goodman, P Hamill, D Hollis, N Kelly, A M Logue. R Lynch, M Maguire, P Michael, S Ross and R Swann

**Officers Present** 

Chief Executive - J Dixon

Director of Planning and Regeneration – M McAlister

Head of Planning – J Linden

S Mossman – Principal Planning Officer Legal Services Manager - Mr P Casey

Senior ICT Officer - P Allan

Senior Administrative Officer - S McAree

## **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the Special Council Meeting and reminded all present of the audio-recording protocol.

The Mayor offered congratulations from the Council to Councillor Hogg who was receiving his MBE today.

#### 1 APOLOGIES

Aldermen – W Ball, T Burns, T Campbell and M Girvan Councillors – A Ball, P Brett, T Hogg, B Kelso, M Magill, J Montgomery, N McClelland, V McWillam, M Rea, D Ritchie and W Webb

#### 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

#### MOTION TO PROCEED 'IN COMMITTEE'

Moved by Councillor Duffin Seconded by Councillor Arthurs and

RESOLVED - that the Council proceeds to conduct the remainder of Council business 'In Committee'.

#### **IN COMMITTEE**

Councillors Blair and Logue arrived during the presentation and Alderman Agnew and Councillors Blair, Kelly and Michael left.

# 3 IN COMMITTEE P/FP/LDP/74 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - DRAFT PREFERRED OPTIONS PAPER

Members were reminded that work was ongoing in relation to the production of the Local Development Plan for the Borough. Central to this process is the Preferred Options Paper (POP) which will set out the key planning issues for the Borough, identify a range of options to address them and define our preferred options.

It was reported that this draft paper had been influenced by a range of evidence papers and a series of workshops held with Members on 4 July, 14, 15 and 27 September and 6 October 2016.

The draft POP, includes a range of Preferred Options which were presented via a power-point presentation at the Council meeting:-

Members were advised that following approval the draft POP would be subject to a sustainability appraisal process during November with the final version of the document to be presented to the Council in December for consideration.

Moved by Alderman Cosgrove Seconded by Alderman Smyth and

RESOLVED: that the draft Preferred Options Paper be approved and progressed to the sustainability assessment stage subject to the following amendments:

- a) in regard to the Hierarchy of Settlements the terminology for Antrim be changed from Main Hub to Major Town/Main Hub
- b) in regard to the Hierarchy of Centres the boundaries of Towns/District Centres be reviewed.

Members thanked the officers for the excellent documentation provided.

ACTION BY: John Linden, Head of Planning

## MOTION TO PROCEED 'OUT OF COMMITTEE'

Moved by Councillor Beatty Seconded by Councillor Bingham and

RESOLVED - that the Council proceeds to conduct any remaining business 'In Public'.

The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and there being no further business on the Agenda the Meeting concluded at 7.45pm.



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