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## **PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE MEETING**

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The Council is composed of 84 Councillors with one-third elected three years in four. Councillors are democratically accountable to the residents of their Ward. The overriding duty of Councillors is to the whole community, but they have a special duty to their constituents, including those who did not vote for them

All Councillors meet together as the Council. Here Councillors decide the Council's overall policies and set the budget each year. The Council appoints the Leader and at its Annual Meeting will appoint Councillors to serve on its Committees. It also appoints representatives to serve on joint bodies and external organisations.

A copy of the agenda and reports is available on the Council's website at [www.sheffield.gov.uk](http://www.sheffield.gov.uk). You can also see the reports to be discussed at the meeting if you call at the First Point Reception, Town Hall, Pinstone Street entrance. The Reception is open between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm, Monday to Thursday and between 9.00 am and 4.45 pm. on Friday. You may not be allowed to see some reports because they contain confidential information. These items are usually marked \* on the agenda.

Members of the public have the right to ask questions or submit petitions to Council meetings and recording is allowed under the direction of the Chair. Please see the website or contact Democratic Services for further information regarding public questions and petitions and details of the Council's protocol on audio/visual recording and photography at council meetings.

Council meetings are normally open to the public but sometimes the Council may have to discuss an item in private. If this happens, you will be asked to leave. Any private items are normally left until last. If you would like to attend the meeting please report to the First Point Reception desk where you will be directed to the meeting room.

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## **FACILITIES**

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There are public toilets available, with wheelchair access, on the ground floor of the Town Hall. Induction loop facilities are available in meeting rooms.

Access for people with mobility difficulties can be obtained through the ramp on the side to the main Town Hall entrance.

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**COUNCIL AGENDA  
1 JULY 2015**

**Order of Business**

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**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members to declare any interests they have in the business to be considered at the meeting.

**3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

To receive the record of the proceedings of the annual meeting of the Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015 and the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015, and to approve the accuracy thereof.

**4. DATE OF SEPTEMBER MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

To agree that the date of the ordinary meeting of the Council in September 2015 be held on the first Wednesday in the month, rather than on the second Wednesday in the month (as agreed at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015), and accordingly, the meeting be held at 2.00p.m. on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2015.

**5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

(a) To receive any questions or petitions from the public, or communications submitted by the Lord Mayor or the Chief Executive and to pass such resolutions thereon as the Council Procedure Rules permit and as may be deemed expedient.

(b) *Petition Requiring Debate*

The Council's Petitions Scheme requires that any petition containing over 5,000 signatures be the subject of debate at the Council meeting. A qualifying petition has been received as follows:-

Petition to Save the 12 Trees on Rustlings Road

To debate a combined paper and electronic petition containing over 8,000 signatures (4,200+ electronic and 3,800+ paper) requesting that, as an alternative to felling, sensitive engineering solutions be implemented in order to enable the long-term retention of the 12 Lime trees on Rustlings Road. The wording of the e-petition is as follows:-

*"We, the undersigned, refute the assertion that the felling of Lime (Tilia sp.) trees on Rustlings Road is necessary. Instead, we demand, and*

*believe it imperative, that sensitive engineering solutions be adopted and implemented to enable the long-term retention of these trees.*

***Evidence indicates that such large trees contribute significantly to local climate regulation, filtration of atmospheric pollutants, sustainable urban drainage, biodiversity, ecology: health and wellbeing and amenity; through their beauty and our pleasure of its enjoyment, which enriches our lives.***

*Twelve trees are marked for destruction, for 'damage to pavements'. We believe the damage is minor and does not significantly impair accessibility for disabled people, or the use of prams and pushchairs. It is our opinion that sensitive engineering solutions, such as pavement restructuring and localized remediation near trees, with kerb stones sculpted to accommodate root morphology, would represent a sustainable solution to perceived problems.*

*Loss of these Lime trees would represent a significant loss of a valuable foraging resource for bees (honey from Lime flowers is much prized) and particularly for bats, as the Lime Leaf Aphid (*Eucallipterus tiliae*) – a favored prey item - only occurs on Lime trees. Lines could be painted on the road to prevent parking under trees, thereby minimizing the risk of damage to vehicles, to a level firmly within the “broadly acceptable region” of tolerability.*

*Sub-veteran, mature trees, such as these Limes, represent our cultural heritage and are **irreplaceable**. We demand that alternative, sensitive engineering solutions be implemented as an alternative to felling.”*

## **6. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

- 5.1 Questions relating to urgent business – Council Procedure Rule 16.6(ii).
- 5.2 Supplementary questions on written questions submitted at this meeting – Council Procedure Rule 16.4.
- 5.3 Questions on the discharge of the functions of the South Yorkshire Joint Authorities for Fire and Rescue and Pensions – Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985 – Council Procedure Rule 16.6(i).

(NB. Minutes of recent meetings of the two South Yorkshire Joint Authorities have been made available to all Members of the Council via the following link -

<http://sheffielddemocracy.moderngov.co.uk/ecCatDisplay.aspx?sch=doc&cat=13165&path=0>)

## **7. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCRUTINY AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEES 2014-15**

To receive the annual report providing an overview of scrutiny activity

undertaken by each of the Scrutiny and Policy Development Committees during the 2014/15 Municipal Year.

Councillor Cate McDonald, Lead Member for Scrutiny, will introduce the report.

**8. CHANGE TO THE SIZE OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Report of the Chief Executive.

**9. REPRESENTATION, DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND RELATED ISSUES**

To consider any changes to the memberships and arrangements for meetings of Committees etc., delegated authority, and the appointment of representatives to serve on other bodies.

**10. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR CHRIS PEACE**

That this Council:

- (a) has previously put on record its call for a full public inquiry into the actions of the police at the Orgreave coking plant on 18th June 1984 during the miners' strike of 1984-85;
- (b) along with ex miners, their families, campaigners from the Orgreave Truth and Justice Campaign, and the people of Sheffield, has waited patiently for nearly two and a half years for the Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) to complete their "scoping" exercise, investigating whether to investigate the actions of the police on that day;
- (c) is disappointed that the IPCC announced on Friday 12th June 2015 that despite there being findings that police officers did use excessive force against picketing miners, manipulated evidence and lied in court when giving evidence, they would not be conducting an investigation into what has become known as the "Battle of Orgreave";
- (d) notes that the IPCC cited the passage of time and the fact that there had been no miscarriages of justice in the form of wrongful convictions, as reasons not to investigate;
- (e) believes that the issue of Orgreave is of national importance and particular local importance to our local community here in Sheffield, many members of which were directly affected in 1984 and beyond, and that a full investigation into the military style policing used on that day is now long overdue and only a full public inquiry can fully investigate this; and

- (f) therefore calls on the Home Secretary, the Rt. Hon. Theresa May MP, to order a full public inquiry into the deployment and actions of the police at Orgreave on 18th June 1984.

## **11. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR ADAM HURST**

That this Council:

- (a) recalls previous resolutions it has passed outlining that the impact of the previous Coalition Government's cuts to welfare in Sheffield are hitting hardest the poorest in the City;
- (b) notes recent reports that child poverty is on course for the biggest rise in a generation, reversing years of progress that began in the late 1990s, leading charities and independent experts claim;
- (c) further notes that calculations from the Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS) have suggested that progress between the late 1990s and 2010 has been reversed and that the number of children living in relative poverty rose from 2.3 million in 2013 to 2.6 million in 2014, and that the Child Poverty Action Group says that with the Government committed to implementing another £12bn of cuts in a new round of austerity, the problem will grow;
- (d) notes that the Government has outlined its intentions to make £12 billion additional cuts to welfare spending, however, have refused to explain where the cuts will fall and who they will hit;
- (e) believes that the Government must come clean about its plan to cut support for working families, disabled people and carers and that its refusal to admit who'll be hit by its cuts is adding to the insecurity felt by working families around the country;
- (f) notes that this Government has failed to rule out cuts to tax credits and support for working families under Universal Credit and has failed to rule out cuts to support for disabled people and their carers;
- (g) believes that welfare costs should be reduced by tackling the root causes of rising benefit bills, such as insecure employment, low pay and lack of affordable housing; and
- (h) directs that a copy of this motion be forwarded to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

## **12. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR ROGER DAVISON**

That this Council:-

- (a) notes the recent petition to save 12 trees on Rustlings Road, near Endcliffe Park, signed by over 8,000 people;
- (b) notes Sheffield's reputation as one of the greenest cities in Europe and recognises the importance of the city's trees in making this city so special and unique;
- (c) notes this Administration's continued efforts to ruin this reputation by selling off parts of our city's parks and threatening the green belt surrounding Sheffield;
- (d) is concerned by the comment made by tree expert Adam Winson that the Council's current policy on trees could lead to half the city's trees being felled in a 'potential chainsaw massacre';
- (e) believes that Amey have been given free rein by the Administration to decide the fate of our city's trees without consultation of Sheffield residents; and
- (f) therefore proposes to the Administration:
  - (i). that a moratorium of at least two months is called on the felling of mature trees in Sheffield; and
  - (ii) that a scrutiny review of the citywide policy on the future of our trees takes place.

### **13. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR BEN CURRAN**

That this Council:

- (a) acknowledges plans are being considered to shut the blood supply chain manufacturing facility on Longley Lane, along with a facility in Newcastle;
- (b) acknowledges the plans would see these two facilities in Sheffield and Newcastle relocated and merged into a single facility in Manchester;
- (c) acknowledges that the single site in Manchester would provide services to the whole of the North West, North East and Yorkshire regions of the country;
- (d) expresses concern that this could potentially put 60 jobs in Sheffield at risk;
- (e) expresses concern about a single location in Manchester being a base to cover the whole of the North West, North East and Yorkshire regions, because:



- (i) this is a physically large geography;
  - (ii) travel disruption often occurs between Manchester and Sheffield, as well as in other areas, during periods of bad weather;
  - (iii) the strategy fails to make it clear where blood stores would be located outside of the manufacturing centre in Manchester; and
  - (iv) it is unclear how the operation of the service under these proposals would cope with a major incident;
- (f) therefore, believes that more work needs to be done before these proposals are put into place, and that scrutiny of these proposals is necessary to ensure that any changes are both workable and effective; and
- (g) directs that a copy of this motion be forwarded to all Sheffield MPs, the Secretary of State for Health, the Shadow Secretary of State for Health and the Chair of the Health Select Committee, with a request for the matter to be considered by the relevant Select Committee.

#### **14. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR LEIGH BRAMALL**

That this Council:

- (a) recognises the importance of the UK steel industry as a significant contributor to the UK economy;
- (b) understands that the UK steel industry is a provider of highly-skilled jobs and research and development, both in Sheffield City Region and across the UK;
- (c) recognises that British Steel is a quality product, manufactured to high production values in a sustainable and responsible manner;
- (d) supports the principles set out in the Charter for Sustainable British Steel; and
- (e) pledges to give effect to the principles of the Charter as fully as possible through its procurement policy.

#### **15. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JOE OTTEN**

That this Council:-

- (a) believes that it is important to Sheffield for Britain to stay in the European Union;

- (b) believes that only as a full member of a reformed European Union can we be certain Britain's businesses will have access to markets in Europe and beyond;
- (c) believes that remaining part of the European Union is vital to the long term security of Sheffield businesses and to building a stronger local economy;
- (d) therefore calls upon Sheffield businesses and public sector organisations to highlight the importance of remaining within the European Union in the run-up to the 2016 EU referendum; and
- (e) urges all Councillors to sign up to the cross-party organisation British Influence and join the Yes to Europe campaign.

**16. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR BRIAN WEBSTER**

That this Council:-

- (a) welcomes reports from the People's Assembly Against Austerity that up to 250,000 people took part in the 'End Austerity Now' demonstration in London on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2015, as well as other demonstrations in cities across the UK;
- (b) thanks all those who attended and helped to organise these demonstrations for their continuing commitment to fighting what this Council believes to be the Government's divisive, destructive and ideologically driven austerity agenda;
- (c) notes that speakers at the London demonstration included representatives of many different organisations, including the Green Party and the Labour Party, and believes that this indicates the strength of opposition to austerity policies across much of the political spectrum in this country;
- (d) recalls that in Sheffield, public sector spending cuts have already resulted in a 50% cut to Sheffield City Council's Revenue Support Grant between 2010 and 2015, and is deeply concerned at reports that further cuts to local government funding may be announced as part of the 'Summer Budget' on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015;
- (e) notes that austerity measures in Sheffield and across the country continue to hit the poorest and most vulnerable the hardest, and believes that this is deeply wrong;
- (f) therefore calls upon all political parties to support alternatives to the economics of austerity and spending cuts, including raising taxes on the wealthiest in society, cracking down on tax avoidance, and investing in infrastructure, home insulation, and renewable energy; and
- (g) directs that a copy of this motion be forwarded to the Chancellor of

the Exchequer and to the leaders of all Parliamentary parties.

**17. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JOHN BOOKER**

That this Council:-

- (a) believes the area of Page Hall, Fir Vale, would benefit from having two floodlit football pitches built on spare ground at the side of Wensley Street, with shelters or possible cafe type area adjacent, so all communities would have a meeting place where they could socialise and get to know each other better;
- (b) also believes, after speaking with local residents, that this planned development would go some way to reducing social tensions, and focus actions positively on an inclusive project;
- (c) hopes areas like S4, where the mover of this Motion lived and worked in his youth, can one day make the headlines for the right reasons, i.e. social inclusion and prosperity for all;
- (d) further wishes for cross party support on this action plan, and hopes funds can be found for smaller projects as easily as they seem to be acquired for larger ones;
- (e) notes that Britain is a compassionate, caring nation, and that in the course of our island's history we have welcomed millions of people to these shores and we are proud of that fact;
- (f) further notes that UKIP believes, and will comply fully with, the 1951 UN Convention relating to the status of refugees, and will continue to honour the country's obligations to bona fide asylum seekers; and
- (g) notes that a petition, with over a hundred signatures and three photographs of the proposed site, has been submitted to the Council in support of the planned development.

**18. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR RICHARD SHAW**

That this Council:-

- (a) notes that July 2015 marks the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Bosnian town of Srebrenica;
- (b) notes that in the days following, more than 8,000 Bosnian Muslim men and boys were systematically massacred and buried in mass graves, and that thousands of women, children and elderly people were forcibly deported and a large number of women were raped;
- (c) recognises the importance of campaigns such as Remember

Srebrenica in reminding us all to never be complacent and that the international community must strive, constantly, for peace and the defence of human rights;

- (d) recognises the importance of human rights, and the European Union and European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) in promoting peace and internationalism;
- (e) regrets that, in 2015, the Government wishes to scrap the Human Rights Act and withdraw the UK from the ECHR; and
- (f) encourages all Councillors to sign the Remembering Srebrenica pledge to ensure that lessons learned from Srebrenica with regards to the importance of tackling intolerance, prejudice and hatred, are implemented in British society.

## **19. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR RICHARD SHAW**

That this Council:–

- (a) notes that one in four people will suffer with mental health problems at some point during their lives;
- (b) notes that despite their prevalence, mental health problems are still stigmatised in today's society;
- (c) praises the previous Government's work to improve the status of mental health, including measures such as:
  - (i) introducing the first waiting time targets for mental health treatment;
  - (ii) putting an extra £1.25bn into children and adolescent mental health services;
  - (iii) improving access to talking therapies and early intervention; and
  - (iv) improving diversion of people with mental health problems from the criminal justice system;
- (d) believes there is much more work needed to be done to achieve a parity of esteem for mental and physical health problems;
- (e) recognises the increasing pressure health and social care budgets are facing in the next 5 years;
- (f) fears that unless more than the £8 billion to cover the initial shortfall in the health and social care budget is granted to the NHS, this historic opportunity to build on the previous Government's good

work on mental health will be lost;

- (g) notes the concern of the Mental Health Policy Group that the £1.25 billion, earmarked in the previous Government's March 2015 budget for children's mental health services, may not be found; and
- (h) therefore:
  - (i) urges the Chancellor of the Exchequer to recommit to providing the £1.25 billion in the emergency budget on 8<sup>th</sup> July; and
  - (ii) calls for a copy of this motion to be sent to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Secretary of State for Health.

## **20. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR KEITH DAVIS**

That this Council:-

- (a) believes that vermin (Rat) infestation is primarily caused by poor personal domestic housekeeping and incorrect disposal of waste and discarded foodstuffs;
- (b) understands that certain areas of Sheffield, namely Page Hall, are receiving a mass treatment for Rat infestation because the problem is so great, at no charge to any household or individual;
- (c) further understands that, throughout this treatment, just 5 charges have been brought for litter/tipping offences, one of which remains unpaid;
- (d) further understands that, because of austerity cuts, not all households should be in receipt of free vermin treatment, however suggests that people in receipt of a state pension should not be charged for any treatment, in line with others who receive the treatments free of charge; and
- (e) believes that where the cause of infestation that requires treatment is attributed directly to the household in question because of bad practice regarding waste/food disposal, then charges should apply irrespective of the status of the said householder.



Chief Executive

Dated this 23 day of June 2015

**The next ordinary meeting of the Council will be held on 2 September 2015 at the Town Hall**

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## ADVICE TO MEMBERS ON DECLARING INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

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If you are present at a meeting of the Council, of its executive or any committee of the executive, or of any committee, sub-committee, joint committee, or joint sub-committee of the authority, and you have a **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)** relating to any business that will be considered at the meeting, you must not:

- participate in any discussion of the business at the meeting, or if you become aware of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interest during the meeting, participate further in any discussion of the business, or
- participate in any vote or further vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

These prohibitions apply to any form of participation, including speaking as a member of the public.

You **must**:

- leave the room (in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct)
- make a verbal declaration of the existence and nature of any DPI at any meeting at which you are present at which an item of business which affects or relates to the subject matter of that interest is under consideration, at or before the consideration of the item of business or as soon as the interest becomes apparent.
- declare it to the meeting and notify the Council's Monitoring Officer within 28 days, if the DPI is not already registered.

If you have any of the following pecuniary interests, they are your **disclosable pecuniary interests** under the new national rules. You have a pecuniary interest if you, or your spouse or civil partner, have a pecuniary interest.

- Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain, which you, or your spouse or civil partner undertakes.
- Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from your council or authority) made or provided within the relevant period\* in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

\*The relevant period is the 12 months ending on the day when you tell the Monitoring Officer about your disclosable pecuniary interests.

- Any contract which is made between you, or your spouse or your civil partner (or a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest) and your council or authority –
  - under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and
  - which has not been fully discharged.

- Any beneficial interest in land which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, have and which is within the area of your council or authority.
- Any licence (alone or jointly with others) which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, holds to occupy land in the area of your council or authority for a month or longer.
- Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) –
  - the landlord is your council or authority; and
  - the tenant is a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest.
- Any beneficial interest which you, or your spouse or your civil partner has in securities of a body where -
  - (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of your council or authority; and
  - (b) either -
    - the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
    - if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

If you attend a meeting at which any item of business is to be considered and you are aware that you have a **personal interest** in the matter which does not amount to a DPI, you must make verbal declaration of the existence and nature of that interest at or before the consideration of the item of business or as soon as the interest becomes apparent. You should leave the room if your continued presence is incompatible with the 7 Principles of Public Life (selflessness; integrity; objectivity; accountability; openness; honesty; and leadership).

You have a personal interest where –

- a decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial standing (including interests in land and easements over land) of you or a member of your family or a person or an organisation with whom you have a close association to a greater extent than it would affect the majority of the Council Tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the ward or electoral area for which you have been elected or otherwise of the Authority's administrative area, or
- it relates to or is likely to affect any of the interests that are defined as DPIs but are in respect of a member of your family (other than a partner) or a person with whom you have a close association.



Guidance on declarations of interest, incorporating regulations published by the Government in relation to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, has been circulated to you previously.

You should identify any potential interest you may have relating to business to be considered at the meeting. This will help you and anyone that you ask for advice to fully consider all the circumstances before deciding what action you should take.

In certain circumstances the Council may grant a **dispensation** to permit a Member to take part in the business of the Authority even if the member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest relating to that business.

To obtain a dispensation, you must write to the Monitoring Officer at least 48 hours before the meeting in question, explaining why a dispensation is sought and desirable, and specifying the period of time for which it is sought. The Monitoring Officer may consult with the Independent Person or the Council's Standards Committee in relation to a request for dispensation.

Further advice can be obtained from Gillian Duckworth, Director of Legal and Governance on 0114 2734018 or email [gillian.duckworth@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:gillian.duckworth@sheffield.gov.uk).

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# Agenda Item 3

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council of the City of Sheffield held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Pinstone Street, Sheffield, S1 2HH, on Wednesday 20 May 2015, at 11.30 am, pursuant to notice duly given and Summonses duly served.

## PRESENT

THE LORD MAYOR (Councillor Peter Rippon)  
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9	<i>Darnall Ward</i> Dianne Hurst Mazher Iqbal Mary Lea	18	<i>Manor Castle Ward</i> Jenny Armstrong Terry Fox Pat Midgley	27	<i>West Ecclesfield Ward</i> John Booker Adam Hurst Zoe Sykes
				28	<i>Woodhouse Ward</i> Mick Rooney Jackie Satur Ray Satur

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors Richard Crowther, Rob Frost, Shaffaq Mohammed and Jack Scott submitted apologies for absence and Councillors Karen McGowan and Helen Mirfin-Boukouris submitted apologies for the first part of the meeting (relating to items 1-4).

**2. TO ELECT A LORD MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR**

Councillor Peter Rippon, the retiring Lord Mayor, took the Chair and the Chief Executive announced that the first business to be transacted was the election of a Lord Mayor for the ensuing year.

Whereupon it was:-

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** On the motion of Councillor Jackie Drayton, seconded by Councillor Colin Ross, that Councillor Talib Hussain be elected Lord Mayor of the City of Sheffield for the Municipal Year 2015/16.

Councillor Talib Hussain, the Lord Mayor Elect, then made and subscribed to the declaration required by law to qualify him to act as Lord Mayor.

Whereupon the retiring Lord Mayor vacated the Chair, which was then taken by Councillor Talib Hussain, the Lord Mayor.

**3. TO MOVE A VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING LORD MAYOR AND LADY MAYORESS**

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** On the motion of Councillor Peter Price, seconded by Councillor Vickie Priestley, that the best of thanks of this Council under the Common Seal be presented to Councillor Peter Rippon and Mrs Susan Rippon for the able and very satisfactory manner in which they have performed their various official duties as Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of this City during the past year.

**4. TO ELECT A DEPUTY LORD MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR**

**RESOLVED:** On the motion of Councillor Bryan Lodge, seconded by Councillor Penny Baker, that Councillor Denise Fox be appointed Deputy Lord Mayor of the City of Sheffield for the Municipal Year 2015/16.

Councillor Denise Fox, the Deputy Lord Mayor Elect, then made and subscribed to the declaration required by law to qualify her to act as Deputy Lord Mayor.

**5. TO APPOINT A LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE ENSUING YEAR**

**RESOLVED:** On the motion of Councillor Pat Midgley, seconded by Councillor Gill Furniss, that Councillor Julie Dore be appointed Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

**6. TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF CABINET AND CABINET ADVISER APPOINTMENTS, THE LEADER'S SCHEME OF DELEGATION FOR THE DISCHARGE OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS, AND SHADOW CABINET APPOINTMENTS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR**

**RESOLVED:** On the motion of Councillor Pat Midgley, seconded by Councillor David Baker, that the City Council:-

(a) notes the Leader's notification of the appointment of a Deputy Leader and Cabinet Members, including their portfolio areas of responsibility, and the appointment of Cabinet Members to serve on the Cabinet Highways Committee (including substitutes), and approves the appointment of Cabinet Advisers, all as detailed in the schedule circulated at the meeting;

(b) notes that the Leader's scheme of delegation currently in operation for the discharge of Executive functions will continue, other than in relation to the names and remits of some of the Portfolios of the Cabinet Members, which will be required to be changed to reflect the appointments now made by the Leader, and these will be published and circulated to all Members in the near future;

(c) notes the main opposition group's notification of the Leader of the Opposition and approves the appointment of Shadow Cabinet Members, as detailed in the schedule circulated at the meeting; and

(d) notes that the effect of these appointments upon the Special Responsibility Allowance element of the budget for Members' Allowances is cost neutral.

**APPOINTMENT OF CABINET MEMBERS, CABINET ADVISERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CABINET HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE 2015/16**

<b>Title/Post</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Ward</b>
<b>Cabinet:-</b>		
<b>Portfolio:-</b>		
<b>Leader</b>	Councillor Julie Dore	Arbourthorne
<b>Finance and Resources</b>	Councillor Ben Curran	Walkley
<b>Housing</b>	Councillor Jayne Dunn	Broomhill

<b>Children, Young People and Families</b>	Councillor Jackie Drayton	Burngreave
<b>Business, Skills and Development</b>	Councillor Leigh Bramall (Deputy Leader)	Southey
<b>Health, Care and Independent Living</b>	Councillor Mary Lea	Darnall
<b>Neighbourhoods</b>	Councillor Isobel Bowler	Mosborough
<b>Public Health and Equality</b>	Councillor Mazher Iqbal	Darnall
<b>Environment and Transport</b>	Councillor Terry Fox	Manor Castle
<b>Cabinet Highways Committee</b>	Cllrs Isobel Bowler, Leigh Bramall, Ben Curran and Terry Fox	
<i>Cabinet Highways Committee Substitute Members:-</i>	Cllrs Julie Dore, Jackie Drayton, Jayne Dunn, Mary Lea and Mazher Iqbal	
<b>Cabinet Advisers:-</b>		
<b>Portfolio:-</b>		
<b>Finance and Resources</b>	Councillor Nikki Bond	Nether Edge
<b>Housing</b>	Councillor Karen McGowan	Birley
<b>Children, Young People and Families</b>	Councillors Anne Murphy and Mike Drabble	Crookes Arbourthorne
<b>Business, Skills and Development</b>	Councillors George Lindars-Hammond and Ian Saunders	Hillsborough Beighton
<b>Health, Care and Independent Living</b>	Councillor Olivia Blake	Walkley
<b>Neighbourhoods</b>	Councillor Neale Gibson	Walkley
<b>Public Health and Equality</b>	Councillor Adam Hurst	West Ecclesfield

<b>Environment and Transport</b>	Councillor Tony Downing	Mosborough
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**APPOINTMENT OF SHADOW CABINET MEMBERS 2015/16**

<b>Title/Post</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Ward</b>
<b>Spokespersons (Shadow Cabinet):-</b>		
<b>Portfolio:-</b>		
<b>Leader (with Children, Young People and Families Portfolio)</b>	Councillor Colin Ross	Dore and Totley
<b>Deputy Leader (with Neighbourhoods Portfolio)</b>	Councillor Penny Baker	Ecclesall
<b>Business, Skills and Development</b>	Councillor Ian Auckland	Graves Park
<b>Public Health and Equality</b>	Councillor Vickie Priestley	Stannington
<b>Environment and Transport</b>	Councillor Joe Otten	Dore and Totley
<b>Finance and Resources</b>	Councillor Andrew Sangar	Fulwood
<b>Health, Care and Independent Living</b>	Councillor Roger Davison	Ecclesall
<b>Housing</b>	Councillor Steve Ayriss	Graves Park

**7. ESTABLISHMENT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES IN 2015/16 AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THOSE COMMITTEES**

**RESOLVED:** On the motion of Councillor Pat Midgley, seconded by Councillor David Baker, that the City Council:-

- (a) notes the political proportionality framework and the illustrative example of how this may be applied in 2015/16, as set out in the report circulated with

the agenda for this meeting;

- (b) agrees that the terms of reference of Council Committees in 2015/16 be as currently set out in the Constitution;
- (c) (i) approves the sizes of individual committees to be subject to proportional balance and the initial allocation of seats to political groups on individual committees before final adjustment, as set out in the report, with the exception of the Planning and Highways Committee which is to be established with 15 seats in 2015/16 (not 12 seats as indicated in the report); (ii) notes that the larger size of the Planning and Highways Committee results in the total number of seats across all politically proportionate committees being raised to 153 seats, with a revised initial allocation of seats to political groups on individual committees before final adjustment as set out below:-

Proportional Seat Allocations to Political Groups in 2015/16

Committee	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	UKIP	Total
Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee	13	4	1	1	19
CYP&FS Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
E&EW Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
HC&ASC Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
S&SC Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
Planning and Highways Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
Licensing Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
Audit Cttee	5	2	0	0	7
Admissions Cttee	5	2	0	0	7
Senior Officer Employment Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
Appeals and Collective Disputes Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
<b>Total Initial Allocation</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>153</b>
Overall Political Balance Requirement	108	31	7	7	153
Adjustments Required	<b>+5</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-2</b>	



Labour	153 x 70.24%	=	107.47	(107)	+1	=	108
Liberal Democrat	153 x 20.24%	=	30.97	( 30)	+1	=	30
Greens	153 x 4.76%	=	7.28	( 7)		=	7
UKIP	153 x 4.76%	=	7.28	( 7)		=	7
				(151)			(153)

(iii) agrees that, in order to ensure that each political group has the required number of seats overall in comparison to the total number of seats available on all Committees to reflect their composition on the Council as a whole, (A) the Liberal Democrat Group's adjustment of one seat be from the Admissions Committee, with the seat being allocated to the Labour Group, (B) the Green Group's adjustment of two seats be from the Planning and Highways Committee and the Licensing Committee, with those two seats being allocated to the Labour Group and (C) the UKIP Group's adjustment of two seats be from the Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee and the Senior Officer Employment Committee, with those two seats being allocated to the Labour Group; and (iv) approves the appointment of Members to all Council Committees to reflect the arrangements now agreed and the wishes of the political groups, in accordance with the schedule circulated at the meeting (and including substitutes where appropriate), and, for the purposes of Council Procedure Rule 25.4, the consent of the Council be given in any case where a Member chooses not to be appointed to serve on any Scrutiny or Regulatory Committee;

- (d) agrees to disapply proportionality to the Senior Officer Employment Sub-Committees and the Appeals and Collective Disputes Sub-Committees for the reasons set out in paragraph 3.2.3 of the report, and to the Standards Committee for the reasons set out in paragraph 3.3.2 of the report;
- (e) notes that the effect upon the Special Responsibility Allowance element of the budget for Members' Allowances of the establishment of Council Committees for 2015/16 and the appointments proposed to be made later this day to the positions of Chairs of those Committees, is an increase of £5,268 over a full year (excluding modest on-costs dependant on the individual circumstances of the Members affected), due to the payment of an additional Band C allowance for a 2nd Chair of the Planning and Highways Committee, with that cost to be met from within the cash limit for the Members' Allowances budget through management actions to contain expenditure over the course of the year; and
- (f) determines that in the event of any changes to the political composition of the Council occurring during the course of the Municipal Year, political proportionality be reviewed by the Council as soon as practicable thereafter.

**MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES 2015/16**

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/ Other
<b>Scrutiny and Policy Development Committees:-</b>			
<b>(1) Overview &amp; Scrutiny Management Committee</b> <i>(Chair = Lead Member for Scrutiny; membership includes the Chairs and Deputy Chairs of the 4 Scrutiny and Policy Development Committees)</i>	Cllrs Tony Damms, Bob Johnson, Cate McDonald, Pat Midgley, Chris Rosling-Josephs, Jack Scott and Geoff Smith (6 vacancies)	Cllrs Sue Alston, Ian Auckland, Steve Ayriss and Cliff Woodcraft	Cllr Sarah Jane Smalley; Cllr John Booker
<b>(2) Children, Young People and Family Support</b>	Cllrs Nasima Akther, Steve Jones, Mohammed Maroof, Karen McGowan, Pat Midgley, Chris Peace, Lynn Rooney, Chris Rosling-Josephs, Ian Saunders, and Jack Scott	Cllrs Katie Condliffe, Colin Ross and Cliff Woodcraft	Cllr Brian Webster; Cllr John Booker; Jules Jones (Parent Governor Representative - to 31/7/15), Gillian Foster, Joan Stratford (Diocese Reps) Alison Warner (School Governor Representative)
<b>(3) Economic and Environmental Wellbeing</b>	Cllrs Lewis Dagnall, Gill Furniss, Neale Gibson, Julie Gledhill, Ibrar Hussain, Bob Johnson, Helen Mirfin-Boukouris, Ray Satur, Steve Wilson and Paul Wood (1 vacancy)	Cllrs Ian Auckland, Joe Otten and Martin Smith	Cllr Robert Murphy

<p><b>(4) Healthier Communities &amp; Adult Social Care</b></p>	<p>Cllrs Jenny Armstrong, George Lindars-Hammond, Cate McDonald, Anne Murphy, Peter Price, Jackie Satur, Geoff Smith, Garry Weatherall, Joyce Wright (1 vacancy)</p>	<p>Cllrs Sue Alston, Katie Condliffe and Shaffaq Mohammed</p>	<p>Cllr Brian Webster; Cllr Pauline Andrews; Alice Riddell and Helen Rowe (HealthWatch Representatives) (Observers)</p>
<p><b>(5) Safer and Stronger Communities</b></p> <p><i>Scrutiny Committee Substitute Members:-</i></p>	<p>Cllrs David Barker, John Campbell, Richard Crowther, Sheila Constance, Tony Damms, Tony Downing, Denise Fox, Sioned-Mair Richards, Roy Munn and Zoe Sykes</p> <p>(5 vacancies)</p>	<p>Cllrs Steve Ayriss, Penny Baker and Richard Shaw</p> <p>(5 vacancies)</p>	<p>Cllr Aodan Marken; Cllr Keith Davis</p> <p>Cllrs Aodan Marken, Rob Murphy, Sarah Jane Smalley and Brian Webster; Cllrs Pauline Andrews, John Booker, Jack Clarkson and Keith Davis</p>
<p><b>Statutory/Regulatory Committees:-</b></p> <p><b>Planning and Highways Committee:-</b></p>	<p>Cllrs Nasima Akther, Tony Damms, Adam Hurst, Ibrar Hussain, Alan Law, Bryan Lodge, Peter Price, Peter Rippon, Chris Rosling-Josephs and Joyce Wright (1 vacancy)</p>	<p>Cllrs David Baker, Roger Davison and Denise Reaney</p>	<p>Cllr Jack Clarkson</p>

<p><i>Planning and Highways Committee Substitute Members:-</i></p>	<p>(5 vacancies)</p>	<p>(5 vacancies)</p>	<p>Cllr John Booker</p>
<p><b>Licensing Committee</b></p>	<p>Cllrs David Barker, Nikki Bond, Neale Gibson, Diane Hurst, George Lindars-Hammond, Anne Murphy, Josie Paszek, Mick Rooney, Geoff Smith and Zoe Sykes (1 vacancy)</p>	<p>Cllrs Vickie Priestley, Denise Reaney and Cliff Woodcraft</p>	<p>Cllr Jack Clarkson</p>
<p><b>Audit Committee</b></p>	<p>Cllrs John Campbell, Tony Damms, Steve Jones and Sioned-Mair Richards (1 vacancy)</p>	<p>Cllrs Rob Frost and Joe Otten</p>	<p>Rick Plews (extended to 17th May 2016) and Elizabeth Stanley (to 17th May 2017) (Independent Co-optees)</p>
<p><b>Admissions Committee</b> <i>(Substitute Members to be appointed by the Chief Executive in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Portfolio Member or Opposition Spokesperson, as appropriate)</i></p>	<p>Cllrs Nasima Akther, Anne Murphy, Chris Peace, Sioned-Mair Richards and Ian Saunders (1 vacancy)</p>	<p>Cllr Andrew Sangar</p>	
<p><b>Senior Officer Employment Committee</b></p>	<p>Cllrs Leigh Bramall, Isobel Bowler, Ben Curran, Julie Dore, Jackie Drayton, Jayne Dunn, Terry Fox, Mazher Iqbal and Mary Lea and (2 vacancies)</p>	<p>Cllrs David Baker, Penny Baker and Colin Ross</p>	<p>Cllr Robert Murphy</p>

<p><b>Appeals and Collective Disputes Committee</b></p>	<p>Cllrs Tony Damms, Tony Downing, Neale Gibson, Ibrar Hussain, Bryan Lodge, Cate McDonald, Pat Midgley, Peter Rippon, Jackie Satur and Geoff Smith</p>	<p>Cllrs David Baker and Vickie Priestley (1 vacancy)</p>	<p>Cllr Sarah Jane Smalley; Cllr Pauline Andrews</p>
<p><b>Standards Committee</b></p>	<p>Cllrs Ben Curran, Alan Law, Mary Lea, Bryan Lodge and Pat Midgley</p>	<p>Cllrs Penny Baker, Vickie Priestley and Colin Ross</p>	<p>John Atkinson, Alan Casbolt and Edward Fleming (Independent co-optees) and 1 Parish/Town Council co-optee (to be selected from a pool of 3 representatives)</p>
<p><i>Standards Committee Substitute Members:-</i></p>	<p>(2 vacancies)</p>	<p>Cllrs David Baker and Andrew Sangar</p>	
<p><b>Health and Wellbeing Board</b></p>	<p>Cllrs Julie Dore, Jackie Drayton, Mazher Iqbal and Mary Lea</p>		
<p><b>Independent Remuneration Panel</b></p>			<p>Abtisam Mohammed (to 6/2/18), David Baldwin (to 6/2/19), Lynda Hinxman (to 6/2/16) and Mark Power (to 6/2/17)</p>

**8. APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER COUNCIL PANELS, GROUPS ETC AND TO EXTERNAL BODIES FOR 2015/16**

**RESOLVED:** On the motion of Councillor Pat Midgley, seconded by Councillor David Baker, that:-

- (a) approval be given to the establishment, with the suggested

memberships shown, of the Council panels, working groups etc set out in the schedule circulated at the meeting;

- (b) approval be given to the appointment of Members to serve on external bodies, also as set out in the schedule now circulated;
- (c) as respects the appointment of Members to its various bodies, where vacancies exist or in cases of urgency, the Chief Executive, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Portfolio Member or Opposition Spokesperson(s), as appropriate, be authorised to appoint Members to serve on such bodies, as necessary, on the understanding that details of such appointments will be reported to the next or subsequent meetings of the Council; and
- (d) as respects the appointment of representatives to serve on outside bodies, where vacancies exist or in cases of urgency, the Chief Executive, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Portfolio Member or Opposition Spokesperson(s), as appropriate, be authorised to nominate representatives to serve on such bodies, as necessary, on the understanding that details of such nominations will be reported to the next or subsequent meetings of the Council.

**APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER COUNCIL BODIES ETC AND EXTERNAL BODIES  
2015/16**

<b>Title/Post</b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>	<b>Green/UKIP/Other</b>
Complaints Review Panel			1 Independent Chair and 2 further independent members
Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education	(1) vacancy	(1) vacancy	
<b>Local Area Partnership Chair's</b>			
North East	Councillor Peter Price		
East	Councillor Pat Midgley		
South East	Councillor Mick Rooney		

Central	Councillor Josie Paszek		
North	Councillor Richard Crowther		
South	Councillor Steve Jones		
South West		Cllr Andrew Sangar	
Local Area Partnership Chairs' Group	Cllrs Isobel Bowler, Richard Crowther, Steve Jones, Pat Midgley, Josie Paszek, Peter Price and Mick Rooney	Cllr Andrew Sangar	
<b>Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Members:-</b>			
Arbourthorne	(1) vacancy		
Beauchief and Greenhill	(1) vacancy		
Beighton	(1) vacancy		
Birley	(1) vacancy		
Broomhill			(1) Green vacancy
Burngreave	(1) vacancy		
Central			(1) Green vacancy
Crookes	(1) vacancy		
Darnall	(1) vacancy		
Dore and Totley		Cllr Martin Smith	
East Ecclesfield	(1) vacancy		
Ecclesall		(1) vacancy	
Firth Park	(1) vacancy		

Fulwood		Cllr Andrew Sangar	
Gleadless Valley	(1) vacancy		
Graves Park		Cllr Ian Auckland	
Hillsborough	(1) vacancy		
Manor Castle	(1) vacancy		
Mosborough	(1) vacancy		
Nether Edge	(1) vacancy		
Richmond	(1) vacancy		
Shiregreen and Brightside	(1) vacancy		
Southey	(1) vacancy		
Stannington		Cllr Vickie Priestley	
Stocksbridge and Upper Don			(1) UKIP vacancy
Walkley	(1) vacancy		
West Ecclesfield	(1) vacancy		
Woodhouse	(1) vacancy		
<b>Champions:</b>			
Older People's	(1) vacancy		
Sexual Health	(1) vacancy		
Younger People's	(1) vacancy		
Access Liaison Group	Cllrs Olivia Blake, Tony Downing and Adam Hurst	(1) vacancy	
Adoptions and Fostering Panel	(3) vacancies	(3) vacancies	
Allotments and Leisure Gardens Advisory Group	Cllrs Tony Downing and Garry Weatherall (1 vacancy)	(1) vacancy	1 Green vacancy



Castlegate Member Working Group	(3) vacancies	(2) vacancies	1 Green vacancy
Community Covenant Working Group	Cllrs Mick Rooney and Pat Midgley		Mr Clive Skelton
Corporate Joint Committee with Trade Unions	Cllrs Nikki Bond, Julie Dore, Isobel Bowler, Leigh Bramall, Ben Curran, Jackie Drayton, Jayne Dunn, Terry Fox, Mazher Iqbal and Mary Lea		
Corporate Members' Group	Cllrs Julie Dore, Leigh Bramall and Pat Midgley	Cllrs David Baker, Penny Baker and Colin Ross	Cllr Robert Murphy Cllr Jack Clarkson
Corporate Parenting Board	Cllrs Mike Drabble, Jackie Drayton, Anne Murphy, Chris Peace, Lynn Rooney, Jack Scott and Zoe Sykes	(2) vacancies	
Cycle Forum	(1) vacancy	(1) vacancy	(1) Green vacancy
Portfolio Joint Consultative Committees:-			
<i>Communities</i>	(1) vacancy		
<i>Place</i>	(1) vacancy		
<i>Children, Young People and Families</i>	(1) vacancy		
<i>Resources</i>	(1) vacancy		
Environmental Performance Working Party	(3) vacancies	(2) vacancies	1 Green vacancy

Fairer Charging Commission	(2) vacancies	(1) vacancy	
Fairtrade Working Group	(1) vacancy	(1) vacancy	(1) vacancy
Housing and Neighbourhoods Advisory Panel	Cabinet Member Cabinet Adviser		
Information Services Steering Group	(6) vacancies	(2) vacancies	
Member Development Cross Party Working Group	(5) vacancies	(2) vacancies	1 Green vacancy; 1 UKIP vacancy
Monitoring and Advisory Board (Adult Services)	(3) vacancies	(1) vacancy	
Motorists Forum	(1) vacancy	(1) vacancy	
Planning Policy Advisory Group	(6) vacancies	(3) vacancies	(1) vacancy
Policy Working Group (Labour)	All Members of the Group		
Policy Working Group (Liberal Democrat)		All Members of the Group	
Policy Working Group (Green)			All Members of the Green Group
Policy Working Group (UKIP)			All Members of the UKIP Group
Sheffield Conservation Advisory Group	(1) vacancy	(1) vacancy	
Sheffield Council Housing Area Boards:-			
Central Area Board	Cllr Jack Scott and 1 vacancy		
East Area Board	Cllrs Sheila Constance and		

	Ibrar Hussain		
North Area Board	Cllr Alan Law and 1 vacancy		
North West Area Board	Cllrs Richard Crowther and Bob Johnson		
South East Area Board	Cllrs Denise Fox and Chris Rosling-Josephs		
South West Area Board	Cllr Roy Munn	Cllr Denise Reaney	
Walking Forum	(1) vacancy	(1) vacancy	
<b>Joint Bodies (no. of places):-</b>			
South Yorkshire Joint Authorities:-			
<i>Fire and Rescue (5)</i>	Cllrs Gill Furniss, Roy Munn, Sioned-Mair Richards and Jackie Satur	Cllr Colin Ross	
<i>Pensions (5)</i>	Cllrs Bryan Lodge, Helen Mirfin-Boukouris and Jack Scott	Cllr Andrew Sangar	Cllr Brian Webster
<i>South Yorkshire Local Pension Board (1)</i>	(1) vacancy		
South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel (4)	Cllrs Jenny Armstrong, Isobel Bowler and John Campbell	Cllr Joe Otten	
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority (1)	Cllr Julie Dore (Substitute Cllr Leigh Bramall)		
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority	Cllrs Terry Fox, Alan Law and	Cllr Ian Auckland	

Transport Committee (5)	Garry Weatherall, (1) vacancy		
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Scrutiny Committee (3)	(2) vacancies	(1) vacancy	
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Audit Committee (1)	(1) vacancy		
Emergency Planning Shared Services Joint Committee (2)	Cllrs Ben Curran, (1) vacancy		
Peak District National Park Planning Authority (1)	Cllr Garry Weatherall		
Sheffield Galleries and Museums Trust – Directors and Members (3)	Cllrs Cate McDonald and Adam Hurst		Mr Michael Day
Sheffield Media and Exhibition Centre Ltd – Directors and Members (1)	Cllr Nikki Bond		

## 9. ARRANGEMENTS FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS

**RESOLVED:** On the motion of Councillor Pat Midgley, seconded by Councillor David Baker, that:-

- (a) (i) ordinary meetings of Full Council in the Municipal Year 2015/16 be held in the Town Hall at 2.00 p.m. on the first Wednesday in every month except March, May and August (when no ordinary meeting will be held) and in September 2015 and June 2016 (when the meetings will be held instead on the second Wednesday in the month in order to avoid a clash with the Bank Holiday Mondays that will be held in the first week of those months) and, accordingly, the meetings be held on the following dates:-

3rd June 2015; 1st July 2015; 9th September 2015; 7th October 2015; 4th November 2015; 2nd December 2015; 6th January 2016; 3rd February 2016; and 6th April 2016; plus the provisional dates of 8th June 2016 and 6th July 2016 in the Municipal Year 2016/17;

- (ii) the special meeting of the Council for the purposes of approving a

Revenue Budget and Capital Programme and setting the Council Tax for the Financial Year 2016/17 be held on Friday, 4th March 2016 at 2.00 p.m. in the Town Hall; and

(iii) the annual general meeting of the Council in 2016 be held on Wednesday, 18th May 2016 at 11.30 a.m. in the Town Hall; and

- (b) further to Council Procedure Rule 10.2, the formula for the order in which Notices of Motion shall be listed on the Council Summons in the Municipal Year 2015/16 shall be as follows:-

June 2015 - *Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Green/UKIP*, repeated

July - *Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Green/UKIP*, repeated

September - *LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/Green/UKIP*, repeated

October - *UKIP/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Green*, repeated

November - *Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Green/UKIP*, repeated

December - *LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/Green/UKIP*, repeated

February 2016 - *Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Green/UKIP*, repeated

April - *Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Green/UKIP*, repeated

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the City of Sheffield held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Pinstone Street, Sheffield, S1 2HH, on Wednesday 3 June 2015, at 2.00 pm, pursuant to notice duly given and Summonses duly served.

**PRESENT**

THE LORD MAYOR (Councillor Talib Hussain)  
THE DEPUTY LORD MAYOR (Councillor Denise Fox)

1	<i>Arbourthorne Ward</i> Julie Dore Mike Drabble Jack Scott	10	<i>Dore &amp; Totley Ward</i> Joe Otten Colin Ross Martin Smith	19	<i>Mosborough Ward</i> David Barker Isobel Bowler Tony Downing
2	<i>Beauchief &amp; Greenhill Ward</i> Julie Gledhill Roy Munn Richard Shaw	11	<i>East Ecclesfield Ward</i> Pauline Andrews Steve Wilson Joyce Wright	20	<i>Nether Edge Ward</i> Nikki Bond Mohammad Maroof
3	<i>Beighton Ward</i> Chris Rosling-Josephs Ian Saunders	12	<i>Ecclesall Ward</i> Roger Davison	21	<i>Richmond Ward</i> John Campbell Lynn Rooney
4	<i>Birley Ward</i> Denise Fox Bryan Lodge	13	<i>Firth Park Ward</i> Sheila Constance Alan Law Garry Weatherall	22	<i>Shiregreen &amp; Brightside Ward</i> Peter Price Sioned-Mair Richards Peter Rippon
5	<i>Broomhill Ward</i> Jayne Dunn Aodan Marken Brian Webster	14	<i>Fulwood Ward</i> Sue Alston Andrew Sangar Cliff Woodcraft	23	<i>Southey Ward</i> Leigh Bramall Tony Damms Gill Furniss
6	<i>Burngreave Ward</i> Jackie Drayton Ibrar Hussain Talib Hussain	15	<i>Gleadless Valley Ward</i> Steve Jones Cate McDonald Chris Peace	24	<i>Stannington Ward</i> David Baker Katie Condliffe Vickie Priestley
7	<i>Central Ward</i> Robert Murphy Sarah Jane Smalley	16	<i>Graves Park Ward</i> Ian Auckland Steve Ayris Denise Reaney	25	<i>Stocksbridge &amp; Upper Don Ward</i> Jack Clarkson Richard Crowther Keith Davis
8	<i>Crookes Ward</i> Rob Frost Anne Murphy Geoff Smith	17	<i>Hillsborough Ward</i> Bob Johnson George Lindars-Hammond Josie Paszek	26	<i>Walkley Ward</i> Ben Curran Neale Gibson
9	<i>Darnall Ward</i> Dianne Hurst Mazher Iqbal Mary Lea	18	<i>Manor Castle Ward</i> Terry Fox	27	<i>West Ecclesfield Ward</i> John Booker Adam Hurst Zoe Sykes
				28	<i>Woodhouse Ward</i> Mick Rooney Jackie Satur Ray Satur

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Nasima Akther, Jenny Armstrong, Penny Baker, Olivia Blake, Lewis Dagnall, Karen McGowan, Pat Midgley, Helen Mirfin-Boukouris, Shaffaq Mohammed, and Paul Wood.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest by Members of the Council.

**3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Resolved:** On the Motion of Councillor Peter Rippon, seconded by Councillor Gill Furniss, that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on 25 March 2015 be approved as a correct record.

**4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

4.1 Peter Cropper

The Lord Mayor (Councillor Talib Hussain) reported the sad death of Peter Cropper, founder and member of the Lindsay String Quartet, who were granted the Honorary Freedom of the City of Sheffield on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2009.

4.2 Petitions

4.2.1 Petition Requesting the Council to Review Taxi Fares

The Council received a petition containing over 500 signatures and requesting the Council to review taxi fares.

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Mohammed Yasim. He stated that the petition was presented on behalf of hackney carriage drivers and requested the Council Licensing Committee and Chief Licensing Officer to consider a taxi fare increase for 2015. The last fare increase was in October 2010 and there had been a previous increase in June 2008. However, it was now considered that fares should be reviewed because of economic circumstances, including the cost of living for drivers, who were self-employed. The increasing costs associated with operating a taxi such as insurance, maintenance and other overheads also had to be taken into account. Drivers also had families to support, who had all been affected by the cost of living. Mr Yasim stated that there were also other issues upon which drivers wished to be consulted.

These issues had been the subject of another petition which he said the GMB,



which he represented, also supported.

The Council referred the petition to Councillor Leigh Bramall, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Business, Skills and Development. Councillor Bramall stated that he had spoken with one of the co-chairs of Licensing Committee in relation to the process concerning Hackney Carriage fares. The matter would have to be considered by the Licensing Committee. The Committee would hear and consider the evidence and would make a decision. Councillor Bramall stated that he would ask the Head of Licensing to contact the petitioners regarding the process required to take this matter forward.

#### 4.3 Public Questions

##### 4.3.1 Public Questions Concerning Trees on Rustlings Road

Patricia White stated that 12 healthy trees were due to be chopped down by the Council on Rustlings Road. She asked why this was the case, when the pavements give access to everyone, including people using prams and people with wheelchairs.

Nigel Slack stated that at the Cabinet meeting in May, he had asked about one outsourcing company apparently failing to communicate well with the public. He stated that it seemed there was another in the shape of Amey and the Streets Ahead contract.

He referred to the proposal to remove trees on Rustlings Road because the effect on pavements and also to the removal of trees from Cemetery Avenue with no apparent intention to replace them.

Mr Slack asked the following questions: how many mature trees have been removed from the city's roadsides by Amey and how many then replaced; how does the Council reconcile mature trees replaced by saplings as 'like for like'; who is Amey required to consult before such works are carried out; and who will pocket the money from selling all that mature Lime wood 'if' the trees are removed?

Councillor Terry Fox, the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, responded to the questions. He said that he took on board the issues which the questions raised and the depth of feeling on both sides of the argument concerning the proposed removal of the trees on Rustlings Road. He appreciated that there were air quality issues in Sheffield and that trees released oxygen. There were some 2 million trees in the City and some 50,000 trees had been planted since the start of the year. The Council and personnel in Amey (many of whom were formerly employed in Street Force) also loved the City's trees and did not want to remove trees unless absolutely necessary. Trees were something which were a constant issue for the Council and more specifically were the subject of much correspondence to local Councillors. If pavements in the City were properly surfaced, people might be encouraged to use them, including people with disabilities and those using pushchairs, which would contribute to improved air quality.

Councillor Fox invited the questioners and campaigners to a meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June, to which local Councillors would also be invited so that the issues could be discussed and the Council could listen to people's views. There were serious hurdles to be overcome and the Council's statutory duties and liabilities and legal requirements concerning footways had to be properly considered. He referred to the high winds in March which had caused fallen trees in Stocksbridge.

Letters had been delivered to residents and tree walks took place. Councillor Fox commended the efforts of officers in meeting people in the community. In summary, since the Amey contract commenced in 2012, some 2,000 trees had been removed, with 2,100 replacements planted. Many trees had been planted in Victorian era and had outgrown the surrounding space. Saplings of the same species were planted and were a one to one replacement although these would take time to grow and mature. There was an opportunity to deal with the issues relating to trees and mobility. It was also important that the Council did not neglect its duty and deal with the situation at this time rather than passing the burden and potential liabilities and costs to future generations.

Councillor Fox stated that timber from trees which were removed was mainly recycled or used for biomass. Sometimes wood was made available for people undertaking art or crafts.

#### 4.3.2 Public Question Concerning Housing Tenant

Christine Bennett referred to an individual housing tenant, who is a pensioner and although she had been in need of support, the housing service had, she said, shown disinterest. The housing service had sent a letter informing her that she owed rent. The story had been the subject of an article in the Star newspaper.

Councillor Jayne Dunn, the Cabinet Member for Housing responded that she would look at the issues raised by the question in greater detail.

#### 4.3.3 Public Questions Concerning Human Rights in Burma

Hafiz Ahmad asked what the Council would do in response to the killing of innocent people and human rights abuses which had taken place in Burma.

Mohammad Kamran referred to events in Burma, which he said had received little attention in the media. He said that there had been disturbing scenes in Burma, which included massacre of people and ethnic cleansing. He asked what the Council's role was in helping to stop the genocide.

Foyad stated that he begged the Council to do something about the treatment of the people of Burma.

Fathima Mohamed asked the Council to fight as hard as possible to stop the persecution of Muslims in Burma and asked what the Council was going to do.

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council, responded to the questions. Councillor Dore stated that she understood that Councillor Mazher Iqbal had

addressed the campaign group regarding atrocities which had taken place in Burma. Whilst Sheffield City Council had no jurisdiction, it was possible for the Council to write to Members of Parliament, which was something that she and colleagues had done personally and on behalf of their constituents. Sheffield had an excellent record on campaigning as regards discrimination and persecution and supporting the victims of such events. Burmese people were welcomed to the City as part of the Gateway programme to support refugees. In 2005, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi (Leader of National League for Democracy in Burma) was granted the Freedom of the City of Sheffield.

Councillor Dore thanked the people in attendance for the information which they also provided to her concerning events in Burma and stated that she would write to the Foreign Secretary, Rt Hon Philip Hammond MP, on behalf of the people who had asked questions and made representations concerning the situation in Burma and requesting that he considers what possible action could be taken.

#### 4.3.4 Public Questions Concerning the Electoral System

Nigel Slack referred to motions on the Council agenda with respect to the various election results, which either defended the First Past the Post system or called for a system that reflects the actual votes of the electorate.

He said it was still the case that the people of Sheffield are represented by Councillors voted in by, at best, 1 in 3 of the electorate and at worst 1 in 5. However, he stated that he would be interested in the fact that First Past the Post should mean that only three of the councillors present can claim real victory since the winner in all other wards were the electorate that chose not to vote, despite an almost doubling of the turnout since 2014.

Mr Slack asked what this says about the broken nature of representative democracy in the City.

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council, responded that Council Motions were carefully considered, with several motions on the agenda for this meeting concerning the electoral system which included a number of options. Parliamentary elections used the First Past the Post system, whereas elections to the European Parliament employed a system of Proportional Representation. Councillor Dore stated that she was open-minded on the matter. The Amendment to both motions proposed by Councillor Geoff Smith accepted there were concerns about the current electoral system. She said there were different views concerning the alternative options for electoral systems. Whilst it was recognised that there might be a need to reconsider the system, it was not appropriate to implement a knee jerk response. The impact of potential change would need to be considered by reference to past elections and likely effect on future ones. The Amendment did not state a position regarding First Past the Post. A proper debate was required on the electoral system.

#### 4.3.5 Public Question Concerning Fair City Campaign

Nigel Slack asked, given that there are 84 councillors in the City and the 'Fair City'

campaign has been running for some time, how many councillors had signed up to the campaign and pledged to make this a fairer City and, if they have not, why not - do they not support the campaign?

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council stated that there were a number of Councillors who were Fair City Champions, including herself and Councillors Mazher Iqbal and Peter Price. She thanked Mr Slack for raising awareness of the Fair City campaign and said she would encourage other Councillors to visit the Fair City website, to sign up to become a champion and make a pledge.

#### 4.3.6 Public Question Concerning Public Questions

Martin Brighton stated that every question raised in this chamber by this citizen has been done so for a purpose. He asked: of the issues raised during the tenure of the current Leader of the Council, how many have been resolved in such a way as to prevent a repeat.

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council stated in response that she was sure that Mr Brighton knew the answer for himself.

#### 4.3.7 Public Questions Concerning Housing Policy and Tenant Representation

Martin Brighton asked the following questions:

1. In what ways will the new Cabinet Member be different in policy and practice from her predecessor?
2. Can tenants now reasonably expect a cessation of:
  - (i) Council denial that the TARA (Tenants and Residents Association) Recognition Policy has been repeatedly rejected ( details have been distributed widely )
  - (ii) Use of Coercive Control ( threats by a council officer, reported city-wide by TARAs ) to impose the Recognition Policy and then falsely claim support ?

He stated that it has been determined, via Statute, that the tenant management board known as HANAP is not legitimate by virtue of exclusion of the public as observers, as the basic principles for openness, transparency and accountability were trammelled. HANAP makes recommendations to the Cabinet Member, upon which basis decisions are made. As a consequence, all decisions made by the previous Cabinet Member from HANAP and its interim predecessor have not been lawful.

3. How does the incoming Cabinet Member propose to rectify this?

The previous Cabinet Member for Housing directed that the ability for citizens to ask questions at Area Housing meetings was to be withdrawn, despite the council conceding that there was no evidence whatsoever to support the specious and fatuous excuses for withdrawing the facility from citizens.

4. What does the current Cabinet Member propose to rectify this?

Councillor Jayne Dunn, the Cabinet Member for Housing, responded that she would provide full answers in writing and added that she was looking at every area in her portfolio.

## 5. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

### 5.1 Urgent Business

There were no questions relating to urgent business under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 16.6(ii)

### 5.2 Questions

A schedule of questions to Cabinet Members, submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16, and which contained written answers, was circulated and supplementary questions under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 16.4 were asked and were answered by the appropriate Cabinet Members.

### 5.3 South Yorkshire Joint Authorities

There were no questions relating to the discharge of the functions of the South Yorkshire Joint Authorities for Fire and Rescue or Pensions under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 16.6(i).

## 6. REPRESENTATION, DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND RELATED ISSUES

**Resolved:** On the Motion of Councillor Gill Furniss, seconded by Councillor Peter Rippon, that (a) it be noted that in accordance with the authority given by the City Council at its annual meeting held on 20 May 2015, the Chief Executive had authorised the following appointment:-

Planning and Highways Committee - Councillor Vickie Priestley to fill a  
Substitute Members vacancy

(b) the following changes to the memberships of Committees, Panels, Boards, etc. be approved:-

Children, Young People and Family - Councillor Aodan Marken to replace

Support Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee	Councillor Brian Webster
Planning and Highways Committee Substitute Members	- Councillors Ian Auckland and Joe Otten to fill vacancies
Scrutiny and Policy Development Committees Substitute Members	- Councillors Denise Reaney and Colin Ross to fill vacancies
Walkley Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Neale Gibson to fill a vacancy
West Ecclesfield Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Adam Hurst to fill a vacancy
East Ecclesfield Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Steve Wilson to fill a vacancy
Firth Park Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Alan Law to fill a vacancy
Shiregreen and Brightside Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Peter Price to fill a vacancy
Burngreave Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Ibrar Hussain to fill a vacancy
Darnall Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Mary Lea to fill a vacancy
Manor Castle Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Pat Midgley to fill a vacancy
Richmond Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Lynn Rooney to fill a vacancy
Arbourthorne Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Jack Scott to fill a vacancy
Beighton Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Chris Rosling-Josephs to fill a vacancy
Mosborough Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor David Barker to fill a vacancy
Birley Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Karen McGowan to fill a vacancy
Nether Edge Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member	- Councillor Nikki Bond to fill a vacancy

- Gleadless Valley Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member - Councillor Steve Jones to fill a vacancy
- Beauchief and Greenhill Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member - Councillor Roy Munn to fill a vacancy
- Crookes Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member - Councillor Geoff Smith to fill a vacancy
- Ecclesall Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member - Councillor Penny Baker to fill a vacancy
- Broomhill Local Area Partnership Local Ward Member - Councillor Aodan Marken to fill a vacancy
- Central Local Area Partnership Lead Ward Member - Councillor Sarah Jane Smalley to fill a vacancy
- Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education - Councillor Cliff Woodcraft to fill a vacancy
- Allotments and Leisure Gardens Advisory Group - Councillor Cliff Woodcraft to fill a vacancy
- Councillor Sarah Jane Smalley to fill a vacancy
- Access Liaison Group - Councillor Denise Reaney to fill a vacancy
- Castlegate Member Working Group - Councillors Colin Ross and Penny Baker to fill vacancies
- Councillor Robert Murphy to fill a vacancy
- Corporate Parenting Board - Councillors Sue Alston and Martin Smith to fill vacancies
- Cycle Forum - Councillor Richard Shaw to fill a vacancy
- Councillor Sarah Jane Smalley to fill a vacancy
- Environmental Performance Working Party - Councillor Brian Webster to fill a vacancy
- Fairer Charging Commission - Councillor Denise Reaney to fill a vacancy

Information Services Steering Group-	- Councillor Joe Otten to fill a vacancy
Member Development Cross Party Working Group	- Councillors David Baker and Vickie Priestley to fill vacancies
	- Councillor Sarah Jane Smalley to fill a vacancy
Monitoring and Advisory Board (Adult Services)	- Councillor Denise Reaney to fill a vacancy
Motorists Forum	- Councillor Ian Auckland to fill a vacancy
Planning Policy Advisory Group	- Councillors David Baker, Roger Davison and Steve Ayris to fill vacancies
Sheffield Conservation Advisory Group	- Councillor Roger Davison to fill a vacancy
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Scrutiny Committee	- Councillor Colin Ross to fill a vacancy

## **7. IMPLEMENTING THE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY IN SHEFFIELD**

It was moved by Councillor Leigh Bramall, seconded by Councillor Isobel Bowler, that the following recommendation made by the Cabinet at its meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015 be approved:-

“RESOLVED: That Cabinet:-

(a) notes the recommendations of the CIL Examiner’s Report, received on 25 February 2015, that the CIL charges proposed are appropriate (with three amendments) and that the Charging Schedule be approved and resolves to recommend to Full Council that the CIL Charging Schedule is approved with an implementation date of 15 July 2015;

(b) agrees to offer an Instalment Policy and Exceptional Circumstances Relief for CIL, as set out in the documents attached to the report;

(c) agrees to the production of a Supplementary Planning Document on CIL and Planning Obligations, to be referred to Cabinet for subsequent approval following public consultation;

(d) agrees that the Interim Regulation 123 List will be adopted as the Council’s list of infrastructure projects or types of infrastructure that it intends will be, or may be, wholly or partly funded by the CIL (the Regulation 123 List);



(e) agrees that Cabinet shall take recommendations from the Council's various internal programme and outcome boards to create, and update as required:-

- (i) the priorities for the Infrastructure Delivery Plan; and
- (ii) the Regulation 123 List; and

(f) agrees that projects funded by the CIL shall be approved by Cabinet as part of the Council's capital and revenue financial approval procedures."

**Resolved:** That, as recommended by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015, the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule attached to the report now submitted, be approved with an implementation date of 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

## 8. **CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION - DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES FOR STATUTORY OFFICERS**

**Resolved:** On the Motion of Councillor Julie Dore, seconded by Councillor Peter Rippon, that the Council:-

- (a) notes the requirements of the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 relating to the disciplinary procedures for Statutory Officers, as set out in the report;
- (b) adopts the changes to the following Parts of the Constitution, as set out in the report and appendices:-
  - (i) Part 2 – Article 4.02 (o)
  - (ii) Part 3 – Responsibility for Functions (Terms of Reference of the Senior Officer Employment Committee)
  - (iii) Part 4 – Officer Employment Procedure Rules; and
- (c) gives approval for the Miscellaneous Matters (Part B) attached to the Council Procedure Rules to be removed from the Constitution.

## 9. **NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JULIE DORE**

### **General and Local Elections 2015**

It was moved by Councillor Julie Dore, seconded by Councillor George Lindars Hammond, that this Council:-

- (a) thanks the people of Sheffield for using their vote in the General and Local elections on 7th May 2015;
- (b) notes that 21 out of the 28 seats that were contested in the local elections

were won by the Labour Party and places on record its thanks to the people of Sheffield for their continued support for the current Administration;

- (c) further places on record its thanks to all officials working on the election, who made sure that it was conducted smoothly and efficiently;
- (d) welcomes all new Councillors to the Town Hall and congratulates Sheffield's new MPs, Harry Harpham and Louise Haigh, on their election to Parliament;
- (e) welcomes the efforts taken by the Council to maximise voter registration, particularly in light of Individual Electoral Registration, and notes that Sheffield has received recognition, particularly for the work with the universities to encourage students to register and resolves that work remains ongoing to encourage as many people as possible to register to vote; and
- (f) resolves to continue to work to improve levels of voter registration in the City and to encourage further engagement with local democracy.

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Joe Otten, seconded by Councillor Andrew Sangar, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

- 1. the deletion of paragraph (b);
- 2. the deletion of paragraph (d) and the addition of a new paragraph (d) as follows:-
  - (d) welcomes all new Councillors to the Town Hall and congratulates all Sheffield's MPs on their election to Parliament.
- 3. the relettering of paragraphs (c) to (f) as new paragraphs (b) to (e).

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negatived.

It was then moved by Councillor Jack Clarkson, seconded by Councillor Pauline Andrews, as amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion of paragraph (b) and the addition of a new paragraph (b) as follows:-

- (b) notes that 21 out of the 28 seats that were contested in the local elections were won by the Labour Party, however, although the Labour Group on the Council thanks the electorate, (i) believes that the Group implies and gives the impression that all the people of Sheffield voted for their continued Administration, (ii) believes this to be a blanket statement by the Labour Group and not a true reflection of how the proportion of the electorate voted, and (iii) furthermore, notes that although the Administration was retained, it was without growth, and that only one group on the Council

(U.K.I.P.) increased its vote, resulting in an additional City Councillor.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negated.

It was moved by Councillor Robert Murphy, seconded by Councillor Brian Webster, as a further amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the addition of new paragraphs (b) and (c) as follows:-
  - (b) notes the parliamentary majority achieved by the new Government on just 36.5% of the vote;
  - (c) notes the large majority on Sheffield City Council maintained by the current Administration on just 41.1% of the vote;
2. the relettering of original paragraphs (b) to (f) as new paragraphs (d) to (h); and
3. the addition of new paragraphs (i) to (n) as follows:-
  - (i) notes the petition of nearly half a million signatories submitted to 10 Downing Street just 11 days after the General Election calling to 'Make seats match votes';
  - (j) agrees with Katie Ghose, Chief Executive of the Electoral Reform Society, who said "This election delivered the least proportional result in history. That's because our two-party electoral system cannot cope with the fact that people want to vote for a variety of parties. It's time we had a fairer voting system that accurately translated votes into seats in Parliament.";
  - (k) believes that the First Past The Post electoral system is becoming increasingly out of date with the refusal of large sections of the public to support the two main parties;
  - (l) believes the current system is no longer a representative democracy and effectively disenfranchises millions of voters and encourages millions more to believe their vote would be meaningless;
  - (m) supports the campaign by the Electoral Reform Society and Unlock Democracy for a more proportional voting system in all UK elections; and
  - (n) directs that a copy of this motion is sent to all Sheffield MPs and the leaders of the two largest parliamentary parties.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negated.

Following a right of reply by Councillor Julie Dore, the original Motion was carried, as follows:-

**Resolved:** that this Council:-

- (a) thanks the people of Sheffield for using their vote in the General and Local elections on 7th May 2015;
- (b) notes that 21 out of the 28 seats that were contested in the local elections were won by the Labour Party and places on record its thanks to the people of Sheffield for their continued support for the current Administration;
- (c) further places on record its thanks to all officials working on the election, who made sure that it was conducted smoothly and efficiently;
- (d) welcomes all new Councillors to the Town Hall and congratulates Sheffield's new MPs, Harry Harpham and Louise Haigh, on their election to Parliament;
- (e) welcomes the efforts taken by the Council to maximise voter registration, particularly in light of Individual Electoral Registration, and notes that Sheffield has received recognition, particularly for the work with the universities to encourage students to register and resolves that work remains ongoing to encourage as many people as possible to register to vote; and
- (f) resolves to continue to work to improve levels of voter registration in the City and to encourage further engagement with local democracy.

(Notes: 1. Councillors Richard Shaw, Rob Frost, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Roger Davison, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Steve Ayris, Denise Reaney, David Baker, Katie Condliffe and Vickie Priestley voted for paragraphs (a) and (c) to (f) and against Paragraph (b) of the Motion and asked for this to be recorded.

2. Councillors Aodan Marken, Brian Webster, Robert Murphy and Sarah Jane Smalley voted for paragraphs (a) and (c) to (f) and against paragraph (b) of the Motion and asked for this to be recorded.)

## 10. **TRIBUTES TO FORMER COUNCILLORS**

Members of the Council paid tribute to former Councillors who had retired or had not been re-elected at the Municipal elections. These were former Councillors Simon Clement Jones, Jillian Creasy, Harry Harpham, Qurban Hussain, Alf Meade, Tim Rippon, Diana Stimely, Stuart Wattam, Chris Weldon and Philip Wood.

It was **Resolved** that thanks be given to all of those former Members of the Council for their hard work and service to the City.

## **11. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR LEIGH BRAMALL**

### **Devolution**

It was moved by Councillor Leigh Bramall, seconded by Councillor Ian Saunders, that this Council:-

- (a) welcomes the recent Core Cities 'Devolution Declaration: A Modern State for a Stronger Britain', launched in May 2015;
- (b) notes that the Declaration calls for a 'radical modernisation' of the UK's over-centralised state, allowing Britain to succeed at every level from the global to the neighbourhood;
- (c) notes comments from Professor Tony Travers from the London School of Economics and Political Science reinstating the importance that "A new Government, as well as continued devolution to the UK's nations, makes this a key time for city devolution agenda. The Core Cities have made a convincing argument to Westminster on devolution to cities, now is the time look in more detail at policy and what the cities can actually deliver for the UK.";
- (d) further notes that independent forecasts say that, with greater freedoms, the eight English Core Cities could alone deliver £222bn extra and put 1.16m jobs into the economy by 2030, which is the equivalent of adding the entire economy of Denmark to the UK;
- (e) notes that under the current Administration, Sheffield has played a prominent role in the Core Cities to ensure the city punches its weight, resulting in its leading City Deal and the city being only second to Manchester in securing a Devolution Deal; and
- (f) believes that as a Core City, Sheffield is well placed to play an important role in the devolution to cities and reconfirms the Council's commitment to get the best deal for the people of Sheffield.

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Colin Ross, seconded by Councillor Ian Auckland, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the deletion of paragraph (e) and the addition of a new paragraph (e) as follows:-
  - (e) notes that the former Deputy Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Nick Clegg MP, played a crucial role in securing a devolution deal for the Sheffield City Region being only second to Manchester in securing a devolution deal;
2. the addition of new paragraphs (g) and (h) as follows:-

- (g) notes the recent comments of the Rt. Hon. George Osborne MP makes it clear that further devolution of powers over transport, housing and healthcare to City Regions is dependent on City Regions agreeing to an elected mayor; and
- (h) notes that in previous votes in this chamber and in a referendum have been against having an elected city mayor, however, it is important that the best deal possible should be negotiated for Sheffield and Sheffield City Region and this may involve discussions on an elected metro-mayor.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negated.

(Note: Councillors Aodan Marken, Brian Webster, Robert Murphy and Sarah Jane Smalley voted for paragraph 2(g) and against the remainder of the above amendment and asked for this to be recorded.)

The original Motion was then put to the vote and carried, as follows:-

**Resolved:** that this Council:-

- (a) welcomes the recent Core Cities 'Devolution Declaration: A Modern State for a Stronger Britain', launched in May 2015;
- (b) notes that the Declaration calls for a 'radical modernisation' of the UK's over-centralised state, allowing Britain to succeed at every level from the global to the neighbourhood;
- (c) notes comments from Professor Tony Travers from the London School of Economics and Political Science reinstating the importance that "A new Government, as well as continued devolution to the UK's nations, makes this a key time for city devolution agenda. The Core Cities have made a convincing argument to Westminster on devolution to cities, now is the time look in more detail at policy and what the cities can actually deliver for the UK.";
- (d) further notes that independent forecasts say that, with greater freedoms, the eight English Core Cities could alone deliver £222bn extra and put 1.16m jobs into the economy by 2030, which is the equivalent of adding the entire economy of Denmark to the UK;
- (e) notes that under the current Administration, Sheffield has played a prominent role in the Core Cities to ensure the city punches its weight, resulting in its leading City Deal and the city being only second to Manchester in securing a Devolution Deal; and
- (f) believes that as a Core City, Sheffield is well placed to play an important role in the devolution to cities and reconfirms the Council's commitment to get the best deal for the people of Sheffield.

(Note: Councillors Richard Shaw, Rob Frost, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Roger Davison, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Steve Ayris, Denise Reaney, David Baker, Katie Condliffe and Vickie Priestley voted for paragraphs (a) to (d) and (f) and abstained on paragraph (e) of the Motion and asked for this to be recorded.)

## **12. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR MARTIN SMITH**

### **Human Rights Act**

It was moved by Councillor Martin Smith, seconded by Councillor Katie Condliffe, that this Council:-

- (a) is concerned by the new Government's plans to scrap the Human Rights Act, replacing it with a 'British Bill of Rights', the details of which have not been set out;
- (b) notes that the Liberal Democrats, whilst in the previous Coalition Government, prevented this from occurring for the last 5 years;
- (c) recognises the importance of the Human Rights Act, which enshrines in British law the European Convention on Human Rights and obliges all public bodies within the UK to uphold and respect human rights;
- (d) notes that the European Convention on Human Rights was authored by British politicians in the wake of World War Two and is in line with traditional British values of tolerance, fairness and liberty;
- (e) recognises that the vast majority of people in Sheffield uphold these values and that Sheffield's status as a City of Sanctuary, welcoming refugees from countries where human rights are not respected, is a reflection of this fact;
- (f) believes this move is particularly worrying in the face of the Rt. Hon. Theresa May MP's plans to introduce 'Banning Orders' and the controversial draft communications bill, the so-called 'Snoopers' Charter' which the Liberal Democrats also blocked in the last Government;
- (g) is deeply concerned by the Rt. Hon. David Cameron MP's comment to the National Security Council that 'For too long, we have been a passively tolerant society, saying to our citizens: as long as you obey the law, we will leave you alone.';
- (h) notes that a balance needs to be struck between security and liberty, but believes these proposed measures are an unnecessary invasion of civil liberties and go too far in favour of those in power; and
- (i) therefore urges the Government to reconsider its plans to scrap the Human Rights Act and not to introduce other measures which undermine human rights.

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Jack Scott, seconded by Councillor Mazher Iqbal, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the deletion of paragraph (b) and the addition of a new paragraph (b) as follows:-
  - (b) believes that the Government's decision to postpone a bill to legislate for this demonstrates that the Prime Minister's attack on human rights looks like its fallen over before it has even left the launch pad and that, as the proposals are unravelling in record time, it increasingly looks like the Conservatives are making it up as they go along;
2. the deletion of paragraphs (f) and (h) and the relettering of all remaining paragraphs accordingly.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

The votes on the above amendment were ordered to be recorded and were as follows:

For Part 1 of the Amendment - (43) The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Denise Fox) and Councillors Julie Dore, Mike Drabble, Jack Scott, Julie Gledhill, Roy Munn, Chris Rosling-Josephs, Ian Saunders, Bryan Lodge, Jayne Dunn, Jackie Drayton, Ibrar Hussain, Anne Murphy, Diane Hurst, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Steve Wilson, Garry Weatherall, Steve Jones, Cate McDonald, Chris Peace, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, David Barker, Isobel Bowler, Tony Downing, Nikki Bond, Mohammad Maroof, Lynn Rooney, Peter Price, Sioned-Mair Richards, Leigh Bramall, Tony Damms, Gill Furniss, Richard Crowther, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Zoe Sykes, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Ray Satur.

Against Part 1 of the Amendment (21) - Councillors Richard Shaw Rob Frost, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Joyce Wright, Pauline Andrews, Roger Davison, Sheila Constance, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Steve Ayris, John Campbell, David Baker, Katie Condliffe and Vickie Priestley Jack Clarkson, Keith Davis and John Booker.

Abstained on Part 1 of the - The Lord Mayor (Councillor Talib Hussain)



Amendment (5) and Councillors Aodan Marken, Brian Webster, Robert Murphy, Sarah Jane Smalley.

For Part 2 of the Amendment (43) The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Denise Fox) and Councillors Julie Dore, Mike Drabble, Jack Scott, Julie Gledhill, Roy Munn, Chris Rosling-Josephs, Ian Saunders, Bryan Lodge, Jayne Dunn, Jackie Drayton, Ibrar Hussain, Anne Murphy, Diane Hurst, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Steve Wilson, Garry Weatherall, Steve Jones, Cate McDonald, Chris Peace, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, David Barker, Isobel Bowler, Tony Downing, Nikki Bond, Mohammad Maroof, Lynn Rooney, Peter Price, Sioned-Mair Richards, Leigh Bramall, Tony Damms, Gill Furniss, Richard Crowther, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Zoe Sykes, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Ray Satur.

Against Part 2 of the Amendment (25) Councillors Richard Shaw, Aodan Marken, Brian Webster, Robert Murphy, Sarah Jane Smalley, Rob Frost, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Joyce Wright, Pauline Andrews, Roger Davison, Sheila Constance, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Steve Ayriss, John Campbell, David Baker, Katie Condliffe and Vickie Priestley Jack Clarkson, Keith Davis and John Booker.

Abstained on Part 2 of the Amendment (1) The Lord Mayor (Councillor Talib Hussain).

It was then moved by Councillor John Booker, seconded by Councillor Jack Clarkson, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the deletion of paragraph (a) and the addition of a new paragraph (a) as follows:-
  - (a) believes this country has waited long enough and it is about time the country had a British Bill of Human Rights;
2. the deletion of paragraphs (c) and (d) and the addition of new paragraphs (c) and (d) as follows:-

- (c) notes British law has worked well in this country for hundreds of years and does not need to be over-ruled by courts in other countries;
- (d) is proud of Great Britain's traditions of tolerance, fairness and liberty, values that have been championed around the world;
- 3. the deletion of paragraph (f) and the addition of a new paragraph (f) as follows:-
  - (f) further believes that Banning Orders have their place and, if used correctly, can be a useful tool in the fight against crime and the protection of the British public;
- 4. the deletion of paragraphs (h) and (i) and the addition of new paragraphs (h) and (i) as follows:-
  - (h) agrees that a balance needs to be struck between security and liberty, but believes that finding that balance is an ongoing and very difficult task; and
  - (i) has faith in the British people to run their own affairs in their own way, and make decisions that are in the country's interest but harmonic to other peoples and countries, and is saddened by the lack of confidence shown towards our own ability, and believes that a British Bill of Human Rights could be the pride of this country and the envy of the world.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negated.

The original Motion, as amended, was then put to the vote as a Substantive Motion in the following form and carried:-

**Resolved:** that this Council:-

- (a) is concerned by the Conservative Government's plans to scrap the Human Rights Act replacing it with a 'British Bill of Rights', the details of which have not been set out;
- (b) believes that the Government's decision to postpone a bill to legislate for this demonstrates that the Prime Minister's attack on human rights looks like its fallen over before it has even left the launch pad and that, as the proposals are unravelling in record time, it increasingly looks like the Conservatives are making it up as they go along;
- (c) recognises the importance of the Human Rights Act, which enshrines in British law the European Convention on Human Rights and obliges all public bodies within the UK to uphold and respect human rights;
- (d) notes that The European Convention on Human Rights was authored by British politicians in the wake of World War Two and is in line with traditional British values of tolerance, fairness and liberty;

- (e) recognises that the vast majority of people in Sheffield uphold these values and that Sheffield's status a City of Sanctuary, welcoming refugees from countries where human rights are not respected, is a reflection of this fact;
- (f) is deeply concerned by Rt. Honourable David Cameron's comment to the National Security Council that 'For too long, we have been a passively tolerant society, saying to our citizens: as long as you obey the law, we will leave you alone';
- (g) therefore urges the government to reconsider its plans to scrap the Human Rights Act and introduce other measures which undermine human rights.

(Notes: 1. Councillors Richard Shaw, Rob Frost, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Roger Davison, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Steve Ayriss, Denise Reaney, David Baker, Katie Condliffe and Vickie Priestley voted for paragraphs (a) and (c) to (g) and abstained on Paragraph (b) of the Substantive Motion and asked for this to be recorded.

2. Councillors Aodan Marken, Brian Webster, Robert Murphy and Sarah Jane Smalley voted for paragraphs (a) and (c) to (g) and abstained on Paragraph (b) of the Substantive Motion and asked for this to be recorded.)

### **13. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR ISOBEL BOWLER**

#### **Events Programme**

It was moved by Councillor Isobel Bowler, seconded by Councillor Peter Price, that this Council:-

- (a) welcomes the success of the recent World Snooker Championships, noting the 350m worldwide audience, confirming that the event continues to be important for the City;
- (b) notes the success of other recent events such as the half-marathon and food festival and believes that these events are important in contributing to the vibrancy of the City;
- (c) welcomes the support for the events programme, both for city centre and community events, noting that investment for past events was funded through resources from the Keep Sheffield Working Fund to boost the city centre and pro-actively support businesses;
- (d) notes that many events in the city centre are funded by local businesses and thanks local businesses for their contribution;
- (e) welcomes the events that are coming to the City in the summer and encourages local people to come along and enjoy as many of these events as possible, including:

- (i) Doc Fest, 5<sup>th</sup> June - 10<sup>th</sup> June
  - (ii) Sheffield Design Week, 13<sup>th</sup> June - 21<sup>st</sup> June
  - (iii) Sheffield Sky Ride, 5<sup>th</sup> July
  - (iv) Tramlines Music Festival, 24<sup>th</sup> July - 26<sup>th</sup> July
  - (v) Sheffield by the Seaside in August; and
- (f) welcomes the development of the Business Improvement District (BID) as a private sector initiative, and further notes that the current Administration has supported the efforts of the BID team to date and that this Council looks forward to working in partnership with the BID to improve the vibrancy of the City moving forwards.

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Ian Auckland, seconded by Councillor Roger Davison, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion in paragraph (b) of the words “such as the half-marathon and food festival” and their replacement by the words “many of which, such as the Food Festival and Tramlines, were initiated under the previous Administration”.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negated.

The original Motion as then put to the vote and carried, as follows:-

**Resolved:** That this Council:-

- (a) welcomes the success of the recent World Snooker Championships, noting the 350m worldwide audience, confirming that the event continues to be important for the City;
- (b) notes the success of other recent events such as the half-marathon and food festival and believes that these events are important in contributing to the vibrancy of the City;
- (c) welcomes the support for the events programme, both for city centre and community events, noting that investment for past events was funded through resources from the Keep Sheffield Working Fund to boost the city centre and pro-actively support businesses;
- (d) notes that many events in the city centre are funded by local businesses and thanks local businesses for their contribution;
- (e) welcomes the events that are coming to the City in the summer and encourages local people to come along and enjoy as many of these events as possible, including:
  - (i) Doc Fest, 5<sup>th</sup> June - 10<sup>th</sup> June
  - (ii) Sheffield Design Week, 13<sup>th</sup> June - 21<sup>st</sup> June
  - (iii) Sheffield Sky Ride, 5<sup>th</sup> July
  - (iv) Tramlines Music Festival, 24<sup>th</sup> July - 26<sup>th</sup> July

- (v) Sheffield by the Seaside in August; and
- (f) welcomes the development of the Business Improvement District (BID) as a private sector initiative, and further notes that the current Administration has supported the efforts of the BID team to date and that this Council looks forward to working in partnership with the BID to improve the vibrancy of the City moving forwards.

#### **14. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR RICHARD SHAW**

##### **Electoral System**

It was moved by Councillor Richard Shaw, second by Councillor Joe Otten, that this Council:-

- (a) believes that the 'First Past The Post' electoral system, which discriminates against voters for most political parties and promotes a political culture which ignores voters in safe seats, is unfit for purpose;
- (b) regrets that the General Election on 7th May 2015 has produced the least proportional result in our country's history, with over 5 million votes cast for 2 parties, UKIP and the Green Party, translating into 2 parliamentary seats;
- (c) notes that UKIP had received 3.86m votes and The Green Party had 1.15 million for one MP each, and the Liberal Democrats received 229,000 votes for each MP, compared with an average of 40,000 for every Labour MP, 34,000 for every Conservative MP and just 26,000 for every SNP MP;
- (d) regrets the hugely disproportionate result in Scotland, with the SNP winning 56 of 59 Scottish seats, despite only half of people in Scotland voting for them;
- (e) welcomes the petition by the Electoral Reform Society calling for a fairer, more proportional system to elect MPs, with over 135,000 signatures demonstrating public support for this issue;
- (f) recognises the need to reform British politics to make it more representative and more empowering of our citizens so it commands greater public confidence and engagement;
- (g) notes the need for change has been recognised, with the Scottish Parliament and Welsh Assembly using the hybrid Additional Member System, to produce more proportional results, and with the British elections to the European Parliament using Closed List Proportional Representation;
- (h) notes that the Single Transferrable Vote system is used for local elections in Scotland and in both Northern Irish local elections and the Northern Ireland Assembly;

- (i) therefore, calls for the introduction of the Single Transferrable Vote system:-
  - (i) for local elections in England and Wales;
  - (ii) for Westminster elections; and
  - (iii) for European Parliament elections; and
- (j) directs that a copy of this motion be forwarded to the leaders of all political parties represented in the UK

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Geoff Smith, seconded by Councillor Jack Scott, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion of all the words after the words "That this Council" and the addition of the following words:-

- (a) believes that the overriding principle is representative democracy and that there are various valid electoral systems for creating legitimate representatives and governments;
- (b) recognises that, following the 2015 general election, some reasonable concerns have been raised again about the current system; but further recognises that the choice of system should be based on the impact on various criteria over time rather than the outcome of one election; and
- (c) notes that when the British people, including the people of Sheffield, had the opportunity recently to make a change in the 2011 alternative vote referendum, they voted by a considerable margin to keep the current system.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

The original Motion, as amended, was then put as a Substantive Motion in the following form carried:-

**Resolved:** that this Council:-

- (a) believes that the overriding principle is representative democracy and that there are various valid electoral systems for creating legitimate representatives and governments;
- (b) recognises that, following the 2015 general election, some reasonable concerns have been raised again about the current system; but further recognises that the choice of system should be based on the impact on various criteria over time rather than the outcome of one election; and
- (c) notes that when the British people, including the people of Sheffield, had the opportunity recently to make a change in the 2011 alternative vote referendum, they voted by a considerable margin to keep the current system.

**15. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR ROBERT MURPHY**

**Electoral System (2)**

It was moved by Councillor Robert Murphy, seconded by Councillor Brian Webster, that this Council:-

- (a) notes the parliamentary majority achieved by the new Government on just 36.5% of the vote;
- (b) notes the large majority on Sheffield City Council maintained by the current Administration on just 41.1% of the vote;
- (c) notes the petition of nearly half a million signatories submitted to 10 Downing Street just 11 days after the General Election calling to 'Make seats match votes';
- (d) agrees with Katie Ghose, Chief Executive of the Electoral Reform Society, who said "This election delivered the least proportional result in history. That's because our two-party electoral system cannot cope with the fact that people want to vote for a variety of parties. It's time we had a fairer voting system that accurately translated votes into seats in Parliament.";
- (e) believes that the First Past The Post electoral system is becoming increasingly out of date with the refusal of large sections of the public to support the two main parties;
- (f) believes the current system is no longer a representative democracy and effectively disenfranchises millions of voters and encourages millions more to believe their vote would be meaningless;
- (g) supports the campaign by the Electoral Reform Society and Unlock Democracy for a more proportional voting system in all UK elections; and
- (h) directs that a copy of this motion is sent to all Sheffield MPs and the leaders of the two largest parliamentary parties.

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Geoff Smith, seconded by Councillor Jack Scott, as an amendment that the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion of all the words after the words "That this Council" and the addition of the following words:-

- (a) believes that the overriding principle is representative democracy and that there are various valid electoral systems for creating legitimate representatives and governments;
- (b) recognises that, following the 2015 general election, some reasonable

concerns have been raised again about the current system; but further recognises that the choice of system should be based on the impact on various criteria over time rather than the outcome of one election; and

- (c) notes that when the British people, including the people of Sheffield, had the opportunity recently to make a change in the 2011 alternative vote referendum, they voted by a considerable margin to keep the current system.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

It was then moved by Councillor Sarah Jane Smalley, seconded by Councillor Aodan Marken, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the addition of a new paragraph (i) as follows:-

- (i) believes all political groups represented on Sheffield City Council deserve to be able to decide the first Motion for debate at a Full Council meeting at least once in a Municipal Year.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negatived.

The original Motion, as amended, was then put as a Substantive Motion in the following form, and carried:-

**Resolved:** that this Council:-

- (a) believes that the overriding principle is representative democracy and that there are various valid electoral systems for creating legitimate representatives and governments;
- (b) recognises that, following the 2015 general election, some reasonable concerns have been raised again about the current system; but further recognises that the choice of system should be based on the impact on various criteria over time rather than the outcome of one election; and
- (c) notes that when the British people, including the people of Sheffield, had the opportunity recently to make a change in the 2011 alternative vote referendum, they voted by a considerable margin to keep the current system.

## **16. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JACK CLARKSON**

### **Cycling Routes**

It was moved by Councillor Jack Clarkson, seconded by Councillor Keith Davis, that this Council:-



- (a) believes, as a result of the Tour de France and Tour de Yorkshire, that Sheffield has seen a dramatic increase of cyclists around the city, which is not only good for the health and wellbeing of cycle users themselves, but also for non-cyclists as a result of the reduction in carbon emissions, etc;
- (b) believes that a respect for both cyclists and motor vehicle users seems to have grown, which needs to be built upon to ensure that this continues;
- (c) notes the expected underspend on the grey to green scheme, and believes that a proportion of that underspend should be used to provide a 'safe space' for cycling, as part of the grey to green scheme in Sheffield City Centre, and further believes that, although much has been done in relation to cycle lanes etc., further work to encourage more younger and elderly cycle users could be done;
- (d) supports the need to create a 'protected cycle track' around the city, for cyclists, in order to safeguard cycle users in congested areas of high volume traffic, so that people don't have to cycle with motor traffic or come into conflict with people walking;
- (e) notes that, on a daily basis whilst travelling to and from work, the City is now seeing more and more cyclists using its roads;
- (f) supports such a scheme, which would engage more younger and older cycle users to feel safe and confident on the roads and streets around the City, which it is felt would encourage more people to cycle to and from work/school etc., reducing rush hour traffic; and
- (g) suggests to the Administration that a trial 'protected cycle track' is initiated to gauge the strength of feeling for such schemes around the City, which would enhance and make cycling even more attractive, and would further complement Sheffield's aspirations to hold more cycling events in the near future.

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Mazher Iqbal, seconded by Councillor Cate McDonald, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion of paragraphs (c) to (g) and the addition of new paragraphs (c) to (h) as follows:-

- (c) confirms that it is committed to increasing the role of cycling in the city and 20 mph speed limits are being rolled out city wide which should improve the environment and safety for cyclists along existing carriageways;
- (d) notes that, in addition, a significant part of the Sheffield City Region Investment Fund (SCRIF) is being applied to improved cycling routes in Grey 2 Green Phase 2, through the University Campus/Upper Hanover, Moorfoot, the Station and the Lower Sheaf Valley;

- (e) notes that, in addition, the Council's Transport Planning Service is also finalising a cycling strategy for the city, following a new study commissioned from Sustrans, with further proposed plans and routes to be funded by SCRIF;
- (f) notes that the previously reported sum of £160,000 (around 4% of the scheme value) is already part of the approved funding of the Grey to Green Phase 1 scheme;
- (g) notes there are strict contract conditions about the use of this funding, which comes from SCRIF and the European Regional Development Fund; and
- (h) notes that the meeting of the Cabinet on 27th May 2015 resolved that a report would be submitted to a future meeting on all suitable options on the underspend on the Grey to Green Scheme and confirms that the use for cycling will be considered as part of this, alongside other considerations.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

The original Motion, as amended, as then put as a Substantive Motion in the following form and carried:-

**Resolved:** that this Council:-

- (a) believes, as a result of the Tour de France and Tour de Yorkshire, that Sheffield has seen a dramatic increase of cyclists around the city, which is not only good for the health and wellbeing of cycle users themselves, but also for non-cyclists as a result of the reduction in carbon emissions, etc;
- (b) believes that a respect for both cyclists and motor vehicle users seems to have grown, which needs to be built upon to ensure that this continues;
- (c) confirms that it is committed to increasing the role of cycling in the city and 20 mph speed limits are being rolled out city wide which should improve the environment and safety for cyclists along existing carriageways;
- (d) notes that, in addition, a significant part of the Sheffield City Region Investment Fund (SCRIF) is being applied to improved cycling routes in Grey 2 Green Phase 2, through the University Campus/Upper Hanover, Moorfoot, the Station and the Lower Sheaf Valley;
- (e) notes that, in addition, the Council's Transport Planning Service is also finalising a cycling strategy for the city, following a new study commissioned from Sustrans, with further proposed plans and routes to be funded by SCRIF;
- (f) notes that the previously reported sum of £160,000 (around 4% of the scheme value) is already part of the approved funding of the Grey to Green Phase 1 scheme;

- (g) notes there are strict contract conditions about the use of this funding, which comes from SCRIF and the European Regional Development Fund; and
- (h) notes that the meeting of the Cabinet on 27th May 2015 resolved that a report would be submitted to a future meeting on all suitable options on the underspend on the Grey to Green Scheme and confirms that the use for cycling will be considered as part of this, alongside other considerations.

## 17. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR PENNY BAKER

### **Associate Libraries**

It was moved by Councillor Andrew Sangar, seconded by Councillor Vickie Priestley, that this Council:-

- (a) thanks all the hard-working volunteers at all of the city's Associate Libraries;
- (b) recognises that the Associate Library groups need security over funding in order to effectively deliver services; and
- (c) recommends to the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods that the funding for Associate Libraries should continue at no less than the current level in the next financial year.

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Isobel Bowler, seconded by Councillor Ibrar Hussain, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion of paragraph (c) and the addition of a new paragraph (c) as follows:-

- (c) welcomes that the present Administration have already committed that the funding for Associate Libraries will continue at no less than the current level in the next financial year.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

The original motion, as amended, was then put as a Substantive Motion in the following form and carried:-

**Resolved:** that this Council:-

- (a) thanks all the hard-working volunteers at all of the city's Associate Libraries;

- (b) recognises that the Associate Library groups need security over funding in order to effectively deliver services; and
- c) welcomes that the present Administration have already committed that the funding for Associate Libraries will continue at no less than the current level in the next financial year.



## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

### Full Council

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**Report of:** Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

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**Report to:** Full Council

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**Date:** 1st July 2015

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**Subject:** Annual Scrutiny Report

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#### Summary:

This report provides an overview of scrutiny activity undertaken during the 2014/15 municipal year. It summarises the work done by the Council's 5 Scrutiny & Policy Development Committees:

- Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
  - Children Young People and Family Support
  - Economic and Environmental Wellbeing
  - Healthier Communities and Adult Social Care
  - Safer and Stronger Communities
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#### Recommendations:

Full Council is asked to note the work undertaken through the scrutiny committees.

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**Background Papers:** None

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**Category of Report:** OPEN

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## Statutory and Council Policy Checklist

<b>Financial Implications</b>
NO Cleared by:
<b>Legal Implications</b>
NO Cleared by:
<b>Equality of Opportunity Implications</b>
NO Cleared by:
<b>Tackling Health Inequalities Implications</b>
NO
<b>Human rights Implications</b>
NO:
<b>Environmental and Sustainability implications</b>
NO
<b>Economic impact</b>
NO
<b>Community safety implications</b>
NO
<b>Human resources implications</b>
NO
<b>Property implications</b>
NO
<b>Area(s) affected</b>
<b>Relevant Cabinet Portfolio Leader</b>
<b>Relevant Scrutiny Committee if decision called in</b>
<b>Is the item a matter which is reserved for approval by the City Council?</b>
NO
<b>Press release</b>
NO

## **Scrutiny – Annual Report**

### **1. Summary**

1.1. This report provides an overview of scrutiny activity undertaken during the 2014/15 municipal year. It summarises the work done through formal meetings and task and finish groups of the:

- Children Young People and Family Support
- Economic and Environmental Wellbeing
- Healthier Communities and Adult Social Care
- Safer and Stronger Communities
- Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

1.2 During 2014/15, the Council's 5 Scrutiny Committees held 28 formal meetings, carried out 1 piece of in-depth policy work, covered 67 subject areas, and considered 5 call-ins. The Committees heard evidence from range of sources including commissioners and providers of health services in Sheffield, Sheffield Youth Parliament, Youth Cabinet, and Young Carers Participation Group, Amey, national and Sheffield based housing developers as well as a range of groups and individuals with an interest in the future role of the city centre. Scrutiny Committee members have undertaken training in questioning and listening skills, and tackling child sexual exploitation.

### **2. What does this mean for Sheffield people**

- 2.1. A challenging and effective scrutiny function is a key contributor to Sheffield achieving its long term goals. The key priorities set out by the Council are reflected in the breadth of issues that Scrutiny Committees look at.
- 2.2. By investigating issues of local concern, reviewing performance against local targets, and making recommendations for improvements in services, scrutiny can ensure that better outcomes are achieved for Sheffield people.
- 2.3. The importance of a robust scrutiny function has been highlighted recently, with both the Francis Inquiry into the Mid-Staffordshire Hospitals failings, and the Jay and Casey reports into Child Sexual Exploitation in Rotherham stressing the importance of challenge through scrutiny. A review of Scrutiny in Sheffield in 2013/14 identified actions for improving the impact and effectiveness of scrutiny. These actions are being implemented to ensure that we strengthen scrutiny to the benefit of all parts of the Council, and the people of Sheffield.

3. **Recommendation**

- 3.1. Full Council is asked to note the work undertaken through the Scrutiny Committees during the 2014/15 municipal year



## Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

### Chair: Cllr Chris Weldon

#### New Structure

2014/15 saw the structure of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee change. Previously comprised of the 4 Chairs and 4 Deputy Chairs of each Scrutiny Committee, membership was expanded to bring the Committee in line with the Council's political proportionality rules.

#### Electoral Review of Sheffield

Last year OSMC carried out a 'call for evidence' to help inform the Council's initial submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission's review looking at the size of Sheffield Council, and ward boundaries. The Boundary Commission published their proposals in October, and the OSMC once again invited people to give their views to the Committee. The OSMC heard from several individuals with concerns about the proposals, particularly around suggested changes to boundaries in Highfields. The OSMC asked officers to meet with local ward councillors and members of the public to attempt to find a more satisfactory solution, before responding to the Boundary Commission's consultation.

#### Revenue Budget and Capital Programme

OSMC considered the Cabinet's proposals for the 2015/16 Revenue Budget and Capital Programme, raising concerns about the amount of money that the Council has lost through specific grants being rolled up into Revenue Support Grant and then cut, and how Sheffield has fared in comparison to other authorities in terms of reductions in RSG. Officers were asked to do a detailed analysis of this and make the information available to Sheffield MPs.

#### Issues Considered

OSMC has kept a watching brief on the Council's revenue budget and corporate performance, particularly performance on the Council's key external contracts with Kier, Veolia, Amey and Capita. The Committee was concerned about the low user satisfaction with the Capita ICT contract and asked for future reports to include information about complaints. The Committee asked the Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny Committee to take a closer look at the Kier repairs and maintenance contract, and the Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee to look at performance on the Amey Streets Ahead contract. OSMC received updates on progress with the Scrutiny Review Action Plan, as well as considering what action the Council is taking to increase voter registration in light of the recent introduction of Individual Electoral Registration. Members of the public have attended OSMC meetings and asked questions on a range of issues from webcasting council meetings to Local Area Partnerships to funding public health activity. As a result of comments made by members of the public at OSMC, scrutiny committees have agreed to provide written responses to public questions within 10 working days.

## Children, Young People & Family Support Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee

### Chair: Cllr Gill Furniss

#### Highlights

**Services for Young Carers** - Following a meeting with young people and young carers in April 2014 the Scrutiny Committee requested a report on the services available for young carers in the city. The report was presented in July 2014 and the committee heard from the Director of Children & Families Services at Sheffield City Council, the Managing Director from Sheffield Young Carers and a lead officer from CHILYPEP (Children and Young Peoples Empowerment Project). The committee also heard from the young people themselves via a series of short films that they produced. The films focussed on the rights of young carers and their personal experiences, including their differing experiences of the education system. The committee supported the areas for development as outlined in the report of the Director of Children & Families Services and agreed to write to the Minister of State for Schools and the Shadow Secretary of State for Education to highlight the work of young carers and share the films the young people had produced.

**Children & Families Act 2014** - In January 2015 the committee dedicated its meeting to focusing on the implications of the Children & Families Act 2014. Following some detailed discussions, the committee agreed that a small group of its members would meet with the Assistant Director for Lifelong Learning, Skills & Communities to discuss the challenges posed by Section 3 of the Act which covers provision of education for children and young people who have a special educational need or disability. This enabled the committee members to gain a better understanding of the latest provision in the city for children and young people with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Members were informed of the new enhanced provision in Sheffield colleges, provision for work placements and the newly commissioned specialist school provision within the city, (the Kenwood centre) which has been set up in response to the growing demand for specialist placements for children with ASD and will allow children and young people to be educated without having to be sent out of Sheffield.

**Citywide Attainment in Schools & Academies** - The committee considered a headline report on attainment in September 2014, followed by a more detailed report in November when additional national comparator data was available. The report detailed educational outcomes from foundation stage through to A Level. The committee acknowledged that although improvements had been made across all key stages there was still considerable work to do to ensure attainment levels continued to improve. The committee also agreed to establish a sub group to meet with officers to look at any performance gaps in connection with the attainment and progress of vulnerable learners. The sub group were happy with progress in this area and fed back their findings at a subsequent meeting.

#### In Brief: Issues Considered

Find papers and minutes of meetings [here](#)

This year the Committee has also considered and commented on:

Building Successful Families Programme (Phase 1 & 2)  
What Services are available for young carers in City of Sheffield  
Refreshing the Child & Household Poverty Strategy

Adoption & Fostering Annual Report  
Academies in Sheffield  
Looked After Children Annual Report

## Special Meetings

### Child Sexual Exploitation Services In Sheffield - Report

The Committee held a special meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2014 to consider the report of Dr Kathryn Houston (Safer Outlook Consulting Ltd.) entitled an "Assessment of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) Services in Sheffield". The report detailed the findings of an internal assessment which was undertaken by the Council in response to the independent inquiry into CSE in Rotherham undertaken by Professor Alexis Jay. The Committee asked a wide range of questions and made a number of recommendations, including writing to the Crown Prosecution Service regarding the need for on-going work within the judicial system to raise awareness of CSE and requesting specific training for the committee on statistical interpretation to assist them in their scrutiny role. This training will be delivered in autumn-winter 2015.

### Annual meeting with Young People & Young Carers

Members of the committee met with over 20 young people and young carers in March 2015 to discuss issues of concern to them. The session ran as a series of informal workshops looking at changes to the electoral registration system and engaging with young people, the living wage and pupil voice and support in schools. We are still working with the young people and young carers to identify any action the committee will take as a result of this session.

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## Testing New Ideas

A number of committee members attended a "**questioning & listening skills**" training session that was held for members of scrutiny in January 2015.

The trainer spoke about different questioning styles and techniques and also suggested that using **preparation meetings** can be an effective tool for scrutiny, as they enable the committee to think about the areas they want to cover and to plan their questioning strategy.

The Committee tested this approach prior to their meeting in December 2015 (to consider the internal assessment of child sexual exploitation services). They have found it a useful way to talk through possible areas of questioning and plan their approach. The Committee decided to continue to use preparation meetings for the remainder of the municipal year.

## Membership & Meetings

The committee is made up of 12 elected Councillors and a number of statutory co-opted education representatives.

In the 2014-15 municipal year these were, 2 Diocesan Representatives and 1 Parent Governor Representative. The committee have also chosen to appoint a School Governor Representative.

The Committee meets bi-monthly and will organise additional special meetings as required.

## Call-In

The committee did not receive any "called in" items this municipal year.

**Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee**  
**Chair: Cllr Cate McDonald**

**In brief**

The Committee has considered a wide range of issues.

The Council's Client Team and Amey updated the Committee on the Streets Ahead Action Plan on **Street Lighting**, including details of performance. This was a follow up to a previous discussion and Committee members scrutinised progress on this issue.

In September the Committee looked at the **Council's Waste Strategy 2009-2020**. The purpose of the Committee's involvement was to challenge thinking and to have an input into the development of the strategy. In order to do this the session included an external perspective from an Adviser to the national Waste Resources Action Programme (WRAP). The Council's waste contractor, Veolia also took part in the discussion. Officers returned to the Committee in December with more details on potential future options and the financial implications.

The Committee received an update on **Sheffield's Library Services** following the implementation of the new operation model for the City's community libraries. The Committee requested progress be made on leases of buildings to the voluntary sector and received confirmation in the spring that this had happened.

The final meeting considered the topic of '**How Sheffield Presents Itself**' and specifically scrutinised the **International Economic Commission** and the **Sheffield Cultural Consortium's Year of Making 2016**.

**Private Sector House Building**

A Task Group to look at Private Sector Housing Building was established by the Committee. The purpose was to scrutinise the Council's policies and practices to assess whether there were robust arrangements in place to meet the housing challenge, and to identify any additional measures required to facilitate more private sector house building in the City.

The work had three stages. The first was internal evidence gathering including desktop research. This stage involved discussions with Council staff responsible for economic development, housing, and planning. This was in order to understand the context and activity the Council is already doing.

The second stage was external evidence gathering which consisted of focus groups with housing developers to gain a wider understanding of the issues from their perspectives; to hear potential solutions to issues identified; and to provide challenge to the Council's policies and practices.

The final stage was to feedback to Council officers on what the Task Group had heard from developers and to provide challenge based on the issues raised from an external perspective. The Task Group's report went to Cabinet in May 2015. It makes 6 recommendations in the following four areas:

- Land disposal
- Culture
- Transparency / Communications
- City Centre

## Cycling Inquiry

The Committee's Cycling Inquiry report to Cabinet in April 2014 and the Committee considered a formal **response to the Cycling Inquiry from the Cabinet Member** for Business, Skills and Development in July.

In terms of impact of the work the response included the Cabinet Member agreeing that the vision for Cycling should be incorporated into the Council's overall Vision for Excellent Transport in Sheffield and the recommendations implemented as proposed.

It also included an updated Sheffield Cycle Action Plan and plan of the strategic cycle network. A delivery plan would be brought back to Cabinet in summer 2015 along with a progress report on delivery of the Cycle Inquiry Report recommendations.

## Future Role of the City Centre

For this item the Committee tested the economic assumptions that the City Council makes for the future of the city centre. This included taking evidence from Council officers on Sheffield's economy and the work to update the City Centre Masterplan following consultation on the Plan in 2013. The Committee also took evidence from representatives of the private sector in the city involved in property and regeneration; hospitality; and retail.

Following the meeting the Chair wrote to Councillor Leigh Bramall, Cabinet Member for Business, Skills and Development, informing him of the summary of the discussion and raised the Committee's key points

## Call Ins

**An Individual Cabinet Member Decision on Parking Permit Prices** was scrutinised in August 2014. Issues discussed included City Centre permits; benefits for residents; cost in relation to the annual cost of running a vehicle; income from permits; feedback from customers; cost for low emissions vehicles; and how costs for permits had been determined. The Committee agreed to take no further action.

The second was a **decision by the Leader of the Council on Statement of Community Involvement**, which outlines how the Council consults on planning applications and planning policy. Issues discussed included online services; pre-application consultation; approach for controversial applications; and distributing notification letters to residents and businesses. The Committee agreed to take no further action.

A decision by Cabinet acting as Charity Trustees of the **Graves Park Charitable Trust to dispose of Cobnar Cottage** was Called In. The Committee will be considering this early in the 2015/16.

## Air Quality

The Committee looked at the current approach to air quality following the debate in Full Council in November, 2014.

The session included taking evidence from the Council's Air Quality Officer; the Director of Public Health; the East End Quality of Life Initiative; and the bus operator Stagecoach Yorkshire.

## Healthier Communities & Adult Social Care Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee

Chair: Cllr Mick Rooney

### Impact

The Committee had concerns about the **funding of hospice care**, and the ability of hospices to make medium and long term financial plans, given that hospices are reliant on donations. Following discussions at Scrutiny, NHS Sheffield CCG agreed to give St Luke's hospice a 2 year funding agreement for the NHS commissioned elements of the service to help with financial planning.

The **Nutrition and Hydration Working Group** made recommendations to the Teaching Hospitals on standardising food organisation and service. These were taken on board and included in the Trust's Hydration and Nutrition Assurance Toolkit which was launched in November.

The **Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)** working group agreed its final report, making recommendations on how the care pathway could be improved, and how to better raise the awareness of, signpost and involve young people. Following conversations with the Cabinet Members and the Executive Director, the Scrutiny report will be used as part of a wider evidence base calling for changes to the way CAMH services are delivered, and put to the Health & Wellbeing Board. Read the Scrutiny Committee's report [here](#)

During discussions on the petition opposing the changes to the **Learning Disability Service**, one of the key concerns of petitioners was around the potential erosion of staff terms and conditions should the contract be won by a private provider. Trade Unions were keen to see the adoption of Unison's 'Ethical Care Charter'. The Scrutiny Committee asked officers to work with providers and trade unions to develop a voluntary code of good practice for supported living in Sheffield, drawing on the ethical care charter model.

### In Brief: Issues Considered

Find papers and minutes of meetings [here](#)

This year the Committee has considered and commented on:

NHS Sheffield CCG's Commissioning Intentions

Adult Social Care Local Account

Implementation of the Care Act

End of Life Care

Better Care Fund

Adult Social Care Performance

Adult Safeguarding Partnership Business Plan

Sheffield Health and Wellbeing Board's plans

The city's Dementia Strategy

Right First Time Programme Update

Changes to Minor Oral Surgical Services

Commissioners Working Together Programme

Health Inequalities Action Plan

Developing a social model of public health

## Listening to Public Concerns

In July, a **petition** was presented to the Committee, opposing proposed changes to the Learning Disability Services. The petitioners were particularly concerned about the impact on staff and residents if services currently provided in the public sector, by NHS Sheffield Health and Social Care Trust, were to go to private providers. The Committee talked to the Cabinet Member, Council Officers, affected members of the public, staff and trade union representatives in considering this issue. It was considered again in December, where the Committee agreed with the decision to move to supported living, and has asked to hear from residents and their families, and the independent advocacy service once transition has taken place, to get their views on how successful the process has been.

The Committee has responded to **public questions** on a range of issues over the year including concerns over the way primary care is commissioned and plans for implementing the living wage across the care sector.

The Chair of the Committee has a regular dialogue with the Chair of [HealthWatch Sheffield](#), and a representative of HealthWatch sits on the Committee, enabling the views of public, patients and service users to be fed into Committee discussion

## Statutory Responsibilities

**Quality Accounts** – all providers of NHS services are required to share their annual quality reports with the Committee. In April, the Committee met with the Teaching Hospitals Trust, Health and Social Care Foundation Trust, Children's Hospital and Yorkshire Ambulance Service to consider progress from last year, and quality priority areas for this year.

Where the NHS is consulting on proposals that affect more than one local authority area, councils are required to form joint scrutiny committees. Sheffield has been part of the [Yorkshire and Humber Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee](#) (JHOSC) looking at the **review of congenital cardiac surgical services**. The JHOSC submitted its response to the national consultation on the proposed service specification in December, highlighting concerns over the staffing requirements and affordability of the proposed standards, as well as whether the consultation had been effective in reaching out to ethnic minority groups, who are disproportionately affected by congenital cardiac conditions. The JHOSC will continue to be involved as proposals for the service develop.

## Call-In

The decision to **tender for the reprovision of day services and short term residential beds for people with dementia** was called-in in February.

After hearing from the Cabinet Member, officers, staff and members of the public, the Committee took no further action, as it was satisfied that the decision to tender was appropriate, and that the current provider had the opportunity to submit a proposal that would meet the Council's requirement for the service.

## Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee

Chair: Cllr Chris Weldon

### Welfare Reform

The Committee looked at **Council House Building** and the delivery of new and additional Council homes, through either acquisition of house or new build houses. The Committee fed back on the Council's current proposals.

The Committee looked at the **Housing+** model of council housing management and the potential impact for tenants, their households and their communities.

The Committee recognised that Housing+ had been in operation for a short period. It decided to visit the South East of the City, which is operating the 'test phase' of the model to meet tenants and assess the implementation of the Housing+ model in 2015.

The Committee looked at the **Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan** for 2015/16. This included recent developments and some of the considerations for the Business Plan Update 2015/16. The Committee fed back its comments and these were reflected in the final HRA Business Plan report that went to Cabinet.

The Committee also scrutinised the progress made on implementing the **Social Housing Repairs and Maintenance Contract**.

### Welfare Reform

Since July 2013 the Committee has been receiving regular reports regarding the **impact of welfare reform** and how the Council and others are responding.

The Committee requested officers continue to look at best practice and to provide the information in the report to all Councillors and Sheffield Members of Parliament. The Chair of the Committee sent a copy of the report to the Government Minister in the Department of Work and Pensions.

### Challenge for Change

The customer scrutiny panel known as Challenge for Change (C4C) was set up to perform an independent review of services delivered by the Council Housing Service (formerly Sheffield Homes).

A group of tenants presented their report on Community Engagement to the Committee. The Committee requested a report back focusing on progress made on the twelve issues identified in the report, and will be inviting tenants representatives to take part in the discussion.

A Challenge for Change Grass Cutting Report had been presented by tenants to the Committee in 2013 and a report back on the Council's response to the report's recommendations was provided in November 2014.

The Committee asked the relevant Cabinet Members to consider the way in which the Service Level Agreement operates, particularly in relation to charges and value for money and to look at how uniform service could be provided where possible.



## Community Safety

The Committee dedicated one meeting to focus on community safety issues. This included the Safer and Sustainable Communities Partnership; the Police and Crime Commissioner; Police and Crime Panels; the Joint Strategic Intelligence Assessment (JSIA); Partnership Plan Priorities 2014/15; performance, achievements, challenges; the budget; and the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Police Act 2014.

Given the changes, particularly regarding anti-social behaviour the Committee requested a briefing paper for all Councillors and a training session for all Councillors on community safety.

The Committee also considered **Domestic and Sexual Abuse** in Sheffield with members of the Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee invited to attend.

## Call In

A decision on **'Future options for the Housing Repairs and Maintenance Service'** was Called In.

After consideration the Committee recommended that no further action be taken. It did request information on the full costings of holding a ballot of tenants and leaseholders on insourcing the Housing Repairs and Maintenance Service, together with, other fully-costed consultation options. The Committee will be inviting tenants representatives to their meeting to discuss this.

## Police and Crime Panel links

The Committee's remit includes Community Safety and part of its work has been to build links with the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel. The Panel's role is to scrutinise and hold to account the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire.

Cllr Roy Munn was one of the Council's representatives on the Panel was also a member of the Scrutiny Committee and provided a link between the two bodies.

The Committee agreed a Protocol with the Panel that covers sharing of information and how the Committee can request the Panel to consider item. It also includes how the Committee can comment on the Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan.

## In Brief

The Committee has also requested a number of written updates where it wants to be kept up to speed on particular topics

- Right to Buy figures
- Partner Resources Allocation Meeting
- Welfare Reform
- Local Area Partnerships and Community Engagement
- Land management arrangements
- Progress on Implementation of the Housing Allocations Policy

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**SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL****Full Council**

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**Report of:** Chief Executive

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**Report to:** Full Council

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**Date:** 1st July 2015

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**Subject:** Change to Constitution – Size of the Overview  
And Scrutiny Management Committee

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**Author of Report:** Michael Bowles – Elections, Equalities and involvement  
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**Summary:**

This report provides details of a proposed change to the Constitution relating to reducing the size of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC) on the grounds that a smaller more streamlined committee would be more effective and efficient. The report proposes retaining the political proportionality of OSMC and removing the current requirement for OSMC to include the Deputy Chairs of the Council's Scrutiny Committees. It also recommends that Council appoints Members to serve on the revised size Committee.

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**Recommendations:**

1. That the Council agrees to reduce the size of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee from 19 seats to 12 seats, as detailed in the report now submitted, and notes that, in relation to the overall number of seats across committees available to each political group, the reduced size of the Committee results in the same number of final adjustments being required to be made as for the status quo, meaning that the adjustments already made by the Council at its meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015 can remain in place
  2. That the Council considers adopting the changes to the Scrutiny Procedure Rules within Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, as set out in the report and appendices
  3. That Council appoints members to serve on the revised size Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee.
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**Background Papers:** None

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**Category of Report:** OPEN

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## Statutory and Council Policy Checklist

<b>Financial Implications</b>
NO
<b>Legal Implications</b>
NO
<b>Equality of Opportunity Implications</b>
NO
<b>Tackling Health Inequalities Implications</b>
NO
<b>Human rights Implications</b>
NO:
<b>Environmental and Sustainability implications</b>
NO
<b>Economic impact</b>
NO
<b>Community safety implications</b>
NO
<b>Human resources implications</b>
NO
<b>Property implications</b>
NO
<b>Area(s) affected</b>
None
<b>Relevant Cabinet Portfolio Leader</b>
Cllr Julie Dore
<b>Relevant Scrutiny Committee if decision called in</b>
<b>Is the item a matter which is reserved for approval by the City Council?</b>
Yes
<b>Press release</b>
NO

## **1. Introduction**

- 1.1. This report provides details of proposed changes to the Council's Constitution relating to reducing the size of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC). The report proposes retaining the political proportionality of OSMC and removing the current requirement for OSMC to include the Deputy Chairs of the Council's Scrutiny Committees. It also recommends that Council appoints Members to serve on the new Committee.

## **2. Background**

- 2.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee was established in 2010. It was made up of the Chairs and Deputy Chairs of each Committee in order to "provide a forum through which proposed scrutiny activity can be better co-ordinated.....ensure more effective commissioning of activity to support the work of the Scrutiny Committees.....enable a regular debate about the further development of overview and scrutiny, informed by the sharing of learning and regular monitoring of scrutiny work and its impact."
- 2.2 In 2011, as a response to the requirement to make savings in the Members Allowances and Democratic Services budgets, the Strategic Resources and Performance Scrutiny Committee was dissolved, and responsibility for scrutinising corporate and city-wide issues transferred to the OSMC.
- 2.3 In a review of the Scrutiny function during 2013/14 it was determined that making it politically proportional would improve the effectiveness of the Committee. Ensuring an effective scrutiny function is increasingly important on the back of the Francis and Casey reports, which were critical of authorities who did not operate robust and challenging scrutiny.
- 2.4 The Terms of Reference/Remit of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee is to carry out overview (policy and performance review) and scrutiny (holding decision-makers to account) of matters falling within the following remit:
- lead on the scrutiny work planning process
  - lead scrutiny of high level cross-cutting and city-wide issues – appointing joint committees where appropriate
  - scrutinise the use of Council resources – Resources Portfolio, budget monitoring, annual budget setting process; and
  - performance monitoring – referring areas of concern to the relevant Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee where appropriate.

## **3. Proposed Change and Reasons**

- 3.1 To meet the requirement for OSMC to be politically proportional and to include the 4 Deputy Chairs (held by members from the largest opposition Group) the size of OSMC for 2015/16 is 19 Members. This is larger than each of the other Scrutiny Committees, which have 15 elected Members.
- 3.2 The rationale for reducing the size from 19 is that a smaller, streamlined committee would be more efficient and effective.

- 3.3 Removing the requirement in the Constitution Part 4 - Scrutiny Procedure Rules to include Deputy Chairs of the Council's Standing Scrutiny Committees would enable a reduction in the membership of this Committee, whilst retaining political proportionality (see Appendix 1). It would allow the Committee to reduce in size from 19 to 12 members and ensure that all groups are represented. For 2015/16 this would make the political balance on OSMC 8 Labour, 2 Lib Dem, 1 Green, 1 UKIP.
- 3.4 In order for the Committee to fulfil its remit, particularly in relation to its lead on the scrutiny work planning process and scrutiny of high level cross-cutting and city-wide issues, it will continue to include the Chairs of the 4 other Overview and Scrutiny Committees.
- 3.5 No changes are proposed to the remit of the OSMC.
- 3.6 No changes are proposed for the 4 other Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

#### **4. Implications for other Committee places**

- 4.1 The proposed position continues to provide sufficient seats across the Council's scrutiny, planning and licensing committees to enable each non-executive member of the Council to be appointed to one of those committees in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 25.4 which specifies that every Member of the Council, except those appointed to the Cabinet, shall be appointed a member of at least one Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee or one Regulatory Committee.
- 4.2 In relation to the overall number of seats across committees available to each group, the revised overall number of seats (a reduction of 7 seats to 146 in total), results in the same number of adjustments as the status quo, meaning the adjustments already made by the Council can remain in place (see Appendix 2)
- 4.3 The proposals will mean a reduction of 7 seats from the current membership of OSMC and will require the appointment of 12 Members to serve on the revised size Committee.

#### **5. Recommendation**

- 5.1. That the Council agrees to reduce the size of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee from 19 seats to 12 seats, as detailed in the report now submitted, and notes that, in relation to the overall number of seats across committees available to each political group, the reduced size of the Committee results in the same number of final adjustments being required to be made as for the status quo, meaning that the adjustments already made by the Council at its meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015 can remain in place;
- 5.2. That the Council considers adopting the changes to the Scrutiny Procedure Rules within Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, as set out in the report and appendices;
- 5.3. That Council appoints Members to serve on the revised size Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee.

**John Mothersole**  
**Chief Executive**

## Appendix 1

### Sheffield City Council – Constitution Part 4 (Scrutiny Procedure Rules)

#### 1. The number and arrangements for Scrutiny and Policy Development Committees

The Council will establish the Scrutiny and Policy Development Committees (referred in these Rules as “Scrutiny Committees”) with terms of reference set out in Part 3 of the Constitution and appoint to them at the Annual Council Meeting and as it considers appropriate from time to time. Such Committees may appoint and delegate any of their functions to sub-groups.

The Council will also appoint an Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to undertake scrutiny of the Council’s corporate activities, share and develop good practice with regard to the carrying out of the overview and scrutiny function, to agree the process to be adopted for dealing with matters which fall within the remit of more than one Scrutiny Committee and to consider improvements to the format of the Scrutiny Committees. The membership of the Committee will reflect the political composition of the City Council and include the Chairs ~~and Deputy Chairs~~ of the Council’s Standing Scrutiny Committees, and will be chaired by the lead member for scrutiny.

The Chair and Deputy Chair of each Scrutiny Committee shall be elected at its first meeting in each municipal year and the Committee shall determine a frequency of its meetings for the year ahead which will normally be held at the Town Hall, Pinstone Street, Sheffield, S12HH.



## Appendix 2

### Proportional Seat Allocations to Political Groups in 2015/16 (Incorporating Final Adjustments) – As Agreed at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015

Committee	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	UKIP	Total
Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee	13	4	1	1	19
CYP&FS Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
E&EW Scrutiny Cttee	<del>4</del> 11	3	1	<del>4</del> 0	15
HC&ASC Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
S&SC Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
Planning and Highways Cttee	<del>4</del> 11	3	<del>4</del> 0	1	15
Licensing Cttee	<del>4</del> 11	3	<del>4</del> 0	1	15
Audit Cttee	5	2	0	0	7
Admissions Cttee	<del>5</del> 6	<del>2</del> 1	0	0	7
Senior Officer Employment Cttee	<del>4</del> 11	3	1	<del>4</del> 0	15
Appeals and Collective Disputes Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
<b>Total Initial Allocation</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>153</b>
Overall Political Balance Requirement	108	31	7	7	153
Adjustments Required	<b>+5</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-2</b>	

Labour	153 x 70.24%	= 107.47	(107)	+1	= 108
Liberal Democrat	153 x 20.24%	= 30.97	( 30)	+1	= 30
Greens	153 x 4.76%	= 7.28	( 7)		= 7
UKIP	153 x 4.76%	= 7.28	( 7)		= 7
			(151)		(153)

**Proportional Seat Allocations to Political Groups in 2015/16 - With New Size of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee & Incorporating the Final Adjustments Agreed at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

Committee	Labour	Lib Dem	Green	UKIP	Total
Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee	8	2	1	1	12
CYP&FS Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
E&EW Scrutiny Cttee	<del>4</del> 11	3	1	<del>4</del> 0	15
HC&ASC Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
S&SC Scrutiny Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
Planning and Highways Cttee	<del>4</del> 11	3	<del>4</del> 0	1	15
Licensing Cttee	<del>4</del> 11	3	<del>4</del> 0	1	15
Audit Cttee	5	2	0	0	7
Admissions Cttee	<del>5</del> 6	<del>2</del> 1	0	0	7
Senior Officer Employment Cttee	<del>4</del> 11	3	1	<del>4</del> 0	15
Appeals and Collective Disputes Cttee	10	3	1	1	15
<b>Total Initial Allocation</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>146</b>
Overall Political Balance Requirement	103	29	7	7	146
Adjustments Required	<b>+5</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-2</b>	

Labour	146 x 70.24%	= 102.55	(102)	+1	= 103
Liberal Democrat	146 x 20.24%	= 29.55	( 29)		= 29
Greens	146 x 4.76%	= 6.95	( 6)	+1	= 7
UKIP	146 x 4.76%	= 6.95	( 6)	+1	= 7
			(143)		(146)