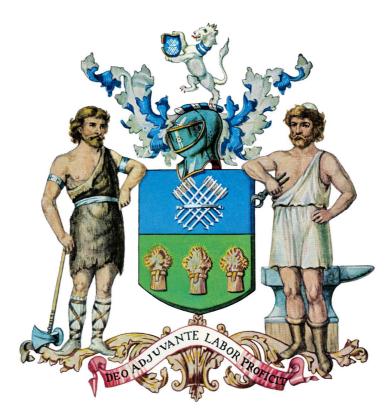
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5	<i>Burngreave Ward</i> Jackie Drayton Talib Hussain Mark Jones	14	<i>Gleadless Valley Ward</i> Lewis Dagnall Cate McDonald Chris Peace	23	<i>Southey Ward</i> Mike Chaplin Tony Damms Jayne Dunn
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9	<i>Dore & Totley Ward</i> Joe Otten Colin Ross Martin Smith	18	<i>Mosborough Ward</i> David Barker Tony Downing Gail Smith	27	<i>West Ecclesfield Ward</i> John Booker Adam Hurst Zoe Sykes
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PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE MEETING

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 <u>www.sheffield.gov.uk</u>. 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.

FACILITIES

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.

COUNCIL AGENDA 5 JULY 2017

Order of Business

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 records of the proceedings of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 5th April 2017, and the annual meeting of the Council held on 17th May 2017, and to approve the accuracy thereof.

4. TOWER BLOCK REVIEW

To receive a verbal update from the Chief Executive, accompanied by other senior officials, to be followed by an opportunity for Members of the Council to ask questions.

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) <u>Petition Requiring Debate</u>

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:-

L.I.F.E. Petition to Open a Sheffield Night Shelter

To debate a combined electronic and paper petition entitled "L.I.F.E. Petition to Open a Sheffield Night Shelter". The online petition – <u>https://www.change.org/p/l-i-f-e-a-new-beginning-sheffield-night-shelter</u> - contains 4,017 supporters (as at 27th June) and the paper petition contains 1,418 signatures. The e-petition includes the following wording:-

"After being involved with the homeless and vulnerable situation for a full year on the ground doing outreach I've noticed that there is a huge hole within the safety net of our city to keep people protected from rough sleeping and who generally find themselves homeless without warning. L.I.F.E (a new beginning) was created for the general public to just come together and help others in need with Sheffield Tent City being at the forefront of providing overnight accommodation with food/clothes/supplies/outreach services/medical supplies & assistance etc.

What myself [the organiser of the petition] and volunteers from Sheffield and surrounding areas plan to do next is open a night shelter within Sheffield city centre where not one single person will find themselves in need of help ever again".

6. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

- 6.1 Questions relating to urgent business Council Procedure Rule 16.6(ii).
- 6.2 Supplementary questions on written questions submitted at this meeting Council Procedure Rule 16.4.
- 6.3 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. 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.

8. REVIEW OF FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS

To note a verbal update from the Director of Legal & Governance concerning the progress of the Member Working Group.

9. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JAYNE DUNN

- (a) expresses its shock and sadness at the tragic Grenfell Tower fire, and our thoughts are with the families of people who have been killed and people who are injured and everyone who has been forced out of the homes as a result of the fire;
- (b) notes that investigations into the fire and its causes are still ongoing and believes it will be important to consider any recommendations and their implications for Sheffield when the investigations are concluded;
- (c) believes it is important that, following the fire, all local authorities across the country are conducting extensive investigations into the safety of their tower blocks and that the Council has been working with South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service to carry out appropriate checks over the past week;
- (d) welcomes the commitment that has been made to retrofit all Council tower blocks in Sheffield with sprinkler systems and believes it is important that the Government commit to provide the funding for these systems in addition to any additional safety measures that are required as a result of the Grenfell Tower fire;
- (e) notes that in addition to this, the Government is conducting fire safety tests on tower blocks with composite cladding and the Council has taken the decision to ensure that all Sheffield blocks are tested;
- (f) notes that the tests from Hanover tower block have revealed that the cladding on the building should be removed and that action is being taken to do this immediately;
- (g) confirms that the cladding at Hanover is not the same as that used at Grenfell Tower and in addition to this there are none of the other concerns that have been found at other tower blocks in other authorities, such as gas in the building and lack of fire doors, which resulted in some blocks being evacuated;
- (h) reiterates the advice that Hanover residents are safe to remain in their homes while work to remove the cladding takes place and that this view is supported by South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service (SYF&R), however temporary accommodation has been offered to anyone who wishes to take it during the works;
- (i) welcomes that swift action has been taken to remove the cladding and have security on site 24 hours a day while the building works

take place and that updates have been held with residents to inform them of progress;

- (j) recognises that, following the tragic fire at Grenfell Tower, tenants are concerned about their safety and believes it is important that the Council continues to provide as much information as possible to tenants and to continue to meet with residents, and welcomes the visits to tower blocks across the city from the Cabinet Member, Council Leader and local councillors since the incident to provide reassurance to tenants; and
- (k) believes it is important that all partners continue to work together to ensure that work is carried out as quickly as possible to ensure all Sheffield tower blocks are safe and that people feel safe living in them, and particularly thanks South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service for their work in partnership with the Council.

10. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR OLIVIA BLAKE

That this Council:-

- thanks the people of Sheffield for turning out in such large numbers and for using their vote in the General Election on 8th June 2017 and the recent Council By-Elections in Southey and Nether Edge & Sharrow Wards;
- (b) notes that it is likely a record number of young voters took part in the General Election in Sheffield and throughout the UK and believes that this is a highly positive development for democracy in our country;
- (c) congratulates Sheffield's newest Member of Parliament, Jared O'Mara MP, and thanks all candidates for taking part in the General Election;
- (d) notes there have been two Council By-Elections since the last business Council meeting in April 2017 and welcomes both new Sheffield Councillors to the Town Hall and thanks all candidates for taking part in these elections; and
- (e) gives thanks to the police and all staff at the polling stations and the count for their hard work on and around the General Election on 8th June, and for the smooth running of the General Election and both Council By-Elections.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JOE OTTEN

- (a) notes the recent High Court judgment, which ruled that South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner, Dr. Alan Billings, acted "unlawfully" in suspending former Chief Constable, David Crompton, and then asking him to resign;
- (b) notes that the High Court further stated the decisions made by Dr. Billings were "irrational, perverse, unreasonable, misconceived and wholly disproportionate";
- (c) further notes that in the light of the suspension, the independent comment from HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary, Sir Tom Winsor, was to describe the action against the Chief Constable as "conspicuously unfair, disproportionate and so unreasonable that I cannot understand how the PCC has reached this view";
- (d) notes that Dr. Billings failed to criticise the conduct of police counsel at the Hillsborough inquest – this being a grievance of the Hillsborough victims' families – in the evidence he gave for his decision, even though he was dismissing Mr. Crompton for seeking to defend that conduct;
- (e) believes that this ruling reveals Dr. Billings to be incompetent and irrational;
- (f) notes that removing Mr. Crompton from his post is likely to cost taxpayers more than £500,000 in legal fees, plus additional staff expenses;
- (g) recalls previous calls by the Sheffield Liberal Democrats for Dr. Billings to resign over his gross mishandling of this situation; and
- (h) in light of the High Court judgment, endorses those calls for Dr. Billings to resign and requests him to consider his position.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR STEVE WILSON

- (a) wishes to pay tribute to all those serving, or who have served, in our armed forces, and places on record our enormous gratitude to them for keeping us all safe;
- (b) notes that Armed Forces Day took place on Saturday 24th June; an occasion giving support to the men and women who make up the Armed Forces community, from currently serving troops to Service families, veterans and cadets;
- (c) reaffirms the importance of such events and notes the success of

recent events held in Sheffield in support of Armed Forces Day, including a veterans parade and a short ceremony led by the Lord Mayor;

- (d) notes that this year's event marks the 35th anniversary of the Falklands War and the sinking of HMS Sheffield;
- regrets the loss of life caused by the sinking of HMS Sheffield and places on record our sympathies to the friends and families of the 20 crew members who were killed in the missile attack of 4th May 1982;
- (f) notes work undertaken by this Council to improve support of our armed forces communities, including a grant of £180,695 which Sheffield City Council successfully led a bid for from the Ministry of Defence's Covenant Fund, in partnership with Rotherham, Doncaster and Barnsley Councils, and Sheffield Hallam University; and
- (g) notes that this grant, awarded in April, will help South Yorkshire gain a better understanding of the local Armed Forces community and strengthen the delivery of the Community Covenant; the grant money is being spent on research and training at Sheffield Hallam University and was officially launched to coincide with national Armed Forces Day in June.

13. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JULIE DORE

- (a) is horrified by the reports coming out of the Chechen Republic, Russia, that as many as 100 gay men have been detained, tortured and killed because of their sexuality;
- (b) notes that the Russian Government has ultimate responsibility for the safety of its citizens, yet it appears to have been wilfully in disregard of this duty as Chechen authorities committed the most terrible abuses due to appalling and disgusting prejudices, which have no place anywhere in the world;
- (c) notes that whilst the Foreign and Commonwealth Office described these reports as "credible" and expressed concern, our whole Council believes the UK's representations on this issue should have been escalated to a much higher political level;
- (d) believes there has been a significant deterioration in the human rights situation for LGBT people across Russia in recent years and the Government should use the UK's influence to fight discrimination and promote equality; and

(e) reaffirms our commitment to LGBT rights throughout the world and directs that a copy of this motion be sent to the Foreign Secretary.

14. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR MARTIN SMITH

That this Council:-

- notes that in 2016 nearly one in three requests to this Council for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act were refused either in part or as a whole;
- (b) notes this was a 35% increase in the refusal rate compared to 2014/15;
- notes that Sheffield, unlike some other core cities, does not publish data on FOI or Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request refusal rates;
- (d) believes that failure to publish an unredacted copy of the Amey contract or any documentation for the Guodong deal has contributed to a lack of trust in this Administration;
- (e) agrees that it is right to withhold personal information, but withholding information on issues that are strategically important for the future of our city should not be done on a routine basis; and
- (f) requests the Leader of the Council to carry out a review of the relevant policies and procedures and publish the outcome and recommendations of that review within the next three months, and immediately request the Chief Executive to publish FOI request refusal rates on a monthly basis.

15. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JOHN BOOKER

- (a) believes there needs to be a bonfire of excessive EU regulations when the UK leaves the EU so that smaller businesses can compete successfully on the global stage;
- (b) further believes Britain's 5.5 million small businesses are the life blood of our economy, making up 60 per cent of jobs in the private sector, according to the Federation of Small Businesses;
- (c) also believes in (i) cutting business rates by 20 per cent for the 1.5 million British businesses operating from premises with a rateable value of less than £50,000, (ii) making HM Revenue and Customs

investigate big business or public sector bodies that repeatedly make late payments to smaller customers, (iii) improving access to trade credit insurance to remove the drag on growth for businesses struggling to secure loans, and give small traders the confidence to expand their businesses and (iv) encouraging local trade by pushing every local authority to offer at least 30 minutes free parking in town centres and shopping parades;

- (d) notes that local, regional and national governments have immense spending power totalling around £230 billion, and that whilst in the EU they are required to offer contracts right across Europe, which has made it harder for British business to compete, and forced them to jump through expensive bureaucratic hoops, and believes that Brexit offers the perfect opportunity to open up government order books to smaller businesses, and encourage local, regional and national procurement strategies that will deliver better value for taxpayers;
- (e) acknowledges that it takes courage and determination to set up your own business, and that many self-employed people work for less than the national living wage, especially when they start out, and believes that there should be no requirement for quarterly tax returns, and no increases in Class IV National Insurance or taxes for Britain's self-employed strivers and that taxes and red-tape should be kept to the minimum necessary; and
- (f) places on record its belief that workers' rights must be protected once the UK leaves the EU, and that we must enforce the minimum and living wage and reverse government cuts to the number of minimum wage inspectors in England and Wales, and significantly tighten up the rules on zero hours contracts and severely limit their use.

16. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JACK SCOTT

- (a) notes with concern and alarm that child poverty has worsened in recent years and believes that the new changes to Child Tax Credit will make this situation worse; and further believes that levels of child poverty in this country are a disgrace and it should be seen that a central task of any Government should be to help prevent, reduce and eradicate child poverty;
- (b) believes that the Government is in neglect of its duties by changing the Child Tax Credit and Universal Credit provision to two children per family; and notes that the changes were introduced as part of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016, despite Parliamentary opposition from the Labour Party, citing in particular the lack of an

equality impact assessment for any changes;

- (c) notes that Child Poverty Action Group have raised concerns that this change will push more children and families into poverty, and that the Joseph Roundtree Foundation has published a report which suggests that the two child limit could push 200,000 children into poverty;
- (d) highlights in particular the appalling so-called 'rape clause'; which requires a mother seeking benefits for a third child to prove she has been sexually assaulted or that the child was conceived through abuse or within an abusive relationship;
- (e) endorses entirely the view of the Fawcett Society, which has stated: "Women have been consistently and repeatedly hit hardest by austerity measures and tax and benefit changes. Child poverty is rising. The new two child limit in the Tax Credit system will see another 200,000 children pushed into poverty, and the disgraceful 'rape clause' that accompanies it pushes women into disclosing sexual violence in order to obtain financial support.";
- (f) believes that the so-called 'rape clause' forces women into a horrifying ordeal; having to recount their sexual abuse via an eightpage document in order to prove that their abuse is worthy of government support, clearly showing how badly conceived the policy is;
- (g) believes that rather than making suffering victims and survivors go through this ordeal, the policy should be entirely scrapped as it is extremely damaging to survivors of abuse and will lead to a greater number of children in child poverty; and
- (h) calls upon the Government to immediately reverse, what this Council believes to be, this disastrous, unfair and spiteful policy and directs that a copy of this Motion be submitted to the Prime Minister and Sheffield's Members of Parliament.

17. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR GAIL SMITH

- (a) notes that 14th to 23rd July is "Love Parks" week;
- (b) believes that Sheffield has some of the best public parks in the country and our parks are something which sets Sheffield apart as the "Outdoor City"; and
- (c) calls on the Authority to get involved in Love Parks week and become an official supporter of the campaign.

18. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR PAULINE ANDREWS

That this Council:-

- (a) expresses concern at what this Council believes to be the excessive charges being put on vulnerable patients in hospitals by private companies, such as (i) average car parking charges of £2.50 per hour, (ii) bedside television charges of £10.00 per day for the full package including films, internet and phone, or £5.00 per day minimum for just television, (iii) the cost of an incoming call of 50p per min BT line, and (iv) cashpoint fee of £2.00;
- (b) believes it's unethical for these companies to make huge profits by preying on the sick and dying;
- (c) further believes that Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust doesn't make any money from this system;
- (d) notes that the NHS health care service is supposedly free at the point of use, however, believes that the extra charges to access the service are far from healthy;
- (e) believes it is not acceptable that some patients are paying £10.00 per day to view a television, whilst inmates in Doncaster prison pay just £1.00 for an entire week's worth of viewing; and
- (f) requests that the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care writes to the Secretary of State for Health to demand an end to excessive charges for these services, which this Council believes are outrageous, especially for patients at the end of life.

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Chief Executive

Dated this 27 day of June 2017

The next ordinary meeting of the Council will be held on 6 September 2017 at the Town Hall

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ADVICE TO MEMBERS ON DECLARING INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

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 <u>not</u>:

- 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 Audit and 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 <u>gillian.duckworth@sheffield.gov.uk</u>.

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Agenda Item 3

19 Nether Edge & Sharrow Ward

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 5 April 2017, at 2.00 pm, pursuant to notice duly given and Summonses duly served.

PRESENT

THE LORD MAYOR (Councillor Denise Fox) THE DEPUTY LORD MAYOR (Councillor Anne Murphy)

East Ecclesfield Ward

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- Andy Nash Pauline Andrews Mohammad Maroof Bob Pullin Andy Bainbridge Alison Teal Steve Wilson Beighton Ward Ecclesall Ward 20 Park & Arbourthorne 2 11 Helen Mirfin-Boukouris Roger Davison Julie Dore Chris Rosling-Josephs Shaffaq Mohammed Ben Miskell Ian Saunders Paul Scriven Jack Scott 12 Firth Park Ward Birley Ward 21 Richmond Ward 3 Alan Law Mike Drabble Karen McGowan Abtisam Mohamed **Dianne Hurst** Abdul Khayum Peter Rippon 4 Broomhill & Sharrow Vale Ward 13 Fulwood Ward 22 Shiregreen & Brightside Ward **Michelle Cook** Sue Alston Dawn Dale **Kieran Harpham** Peter Price Andrew Sangar Magid Magid Garry Weatherall Cliff Woodcraft Burngreave Ward 23 Southey Ward 5 14 Gleadless Valley Ward Jackie Drayton Tony Damms Lewis Dagnall Mark Jones Jayne Dunn Cate McDonald Talib Hussain Chris Peace City Ward 15 Graves Park Ward 24 Stannington Ward 6 **Douglas Johnson** Ian Auckland David Baker Robert Murphy Penny Baker Steve Ayris Vickie Priestley Hillsborough Ward Stocksbridge & Upper Don Ward 7 Crookes & Crosspool Ward 16 25 Craig Gamble Pugh Bob Johnson Jack Clarkson Adam Hanrahan **Richard Crowther** George Lindars-Hammond Josie Paszek Manor Castle Ward
- Darnall Ward 8 Mazher Igbal Mary Lea Zahira Naz
- Dore & Totley Ward 9 Joe Otten Colin Ross

Beauchief & Greenhill Ward

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18 Mosborough Ward David Barker Tony Downing Gail Smith

Lisa Banes

Pat Midgley

Terry Fox

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27 West Ecclesfield Ward John Booker Adam Hurst

26 Walkley Ward Olivia Blake

Ben Curran

Neale Gibson

28 Woodhouse Ward Mick Rooney Jackie Satur Paul Wood

Zoe Sykes

1. FORMER COUNCILLORS GORDON MILLS AND CATH WHITTY

- 1.1 The Lord Mayor (Councillor Denise Fox) reported with sadness, the death, in early March, of former Councillor Gordon Mills, who had served as a Member of the Council from 1980 to 1986. Members of the Council observed a minute's silence in his memory.
- 1.2 Several Members of the Council paid tribute to former Councillor Mills, and also to former Councillor Cath Whitty whose death had been reported to, and a minute's silence had been held at, the previous meeting of the Council on 3rd March 2017.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Nasima Akther, Sue Auckland, Keith Davis, Bryan Lodge, Moya O'Rourke, Richard Shaw and Martin Smith.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Peter Rippon, seconded by Councillor Olivia Blake, that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 1st February 2017 and the special meeting of the Council held on 3rd March 2017 be approved as true and accurate records.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

5.1 Appointment of the Deputy Leader of the Council

The Leader of the Council (Councillor Julie Dore) announced the appointment, with effect from 4th April 2017, of Councillor Olivia Blake to the position of Deputy Leader, following the resignation of the previous Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Business and Economy, Mr. Leigh Bramall, on 20th March 2017. Councillor Dore congratulated Councillor Blake and welcomed her appointment, and indicated that she would reserve paying thanks to the previous Deputy Leader until the next meeting of the Council, when tributes will be paid to Mr. Bramall, and a vote of thanks passed, for his service to the Council.

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5.2 <u>Petitions</u>

5.2.1 Petition Supporting the Removal of Trees on Goddard Hall Road

The Council received a petition containing 30 signatures requesting the removal of trees on Goddard Hall Road.

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Salma Khan, who informed the Council that the trees were causing difficulties. The Council was not able to clean the area due to parked vehicles and traffic in the vicinity of the Northern General Hospital. Surfaces were slippery, vehicles were subject to deposits from trees and leaf fall affected gullies. The petitioners supported the replacement of trees on Goddard Hall Road.

The Council referred the petition to the Leader of the Council, Councillor Julie Dore. Councillor Dore thanked the Salma Khan for presenting the petition. She commented that the subject of highway trees was a divisive issue in Sheffield. Tree replacement was a last resort and since 2012, a contract had been in place whereby trees had been replaced in accordance with the agreed criteria. 2017 was the final year of the core investment period of the Streets Ahead programme.

Objections had been raised concerning proposals in the contract and the Council introduced a consultation process which sought to obtain the opinions of residents. This was done mainly because it was brought to the Council's attention that some people did not agree with the tree replacement programme as it was.

As regards Goddard Hall Road, there were 40 households affected and 30 people had signed the petition which agreed with the proposals regarding tree replacement and wished the Council to carry out the tree replacement in accordance with residents' wishes. She explained that the Council would carry out the replacement programme on Goddard Hall Road.

(Note: Mrs Khan requested that no film recording was made of her at the meeting).

5.2.2 Petition Requesting Community Safety Measures on Cross Bedford Street

The Council received an electronic petition containing 28 signatures requesting community safety measures on Cross Bedford Street.

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Joseph Omeiza. He stated that residents who parked their cars on the street had been victims of car crime and that there had been 53 reported crimes in the area since the summer of 2015. Incidents had included broken vehicle windows and property stolen form cars which had a considerable value. This resulted in unnecessary stress for residents. The petitioners wanted something to be done regarding this situation and they wanted the area to be safe. The petition suggested safety measures, including CCTV, brighter street lighting and Neighbourhood Watch signage, which

it was thought would help act as a deterrent in relation to crime.

The Council referred the petition to Councillor Jayne Dunn, the Cabinet Member for Housing. Councillor Dunn thanked the petitioners for bringing this matter to Council and suggested that the various partners involved, including the petitioners, community groups, the Anti-Social Behaviour team, Police and local councillors meet to consider the issues detailed in the petition with regard to community safety in the area of Cross Bedford Street. She said that she would contact the petitioners.

5.2.3 <u>Petition Requesting the Council to Implement a New Air Pollution Action Plan</u>

The Council received an electronic petition containing 1220 signatures and requesting the Council to implement a new Air Pollution Action Plan.

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Eamonn Ward. He stated that it was widely agreed that the objectives of the Sheffield Air Quality Action Plan, not been achieved. He referred to the impact of air quality on people's health and to the need to mitigate the effects of the M1 motorway. He said that the budget situation was recognised and there was a need to obtain government funding. Mr Ward stated that a specific action plan was required with objectives which were acted upon. He referred to the Notice of Motion on the Summons for this meeting of the Council and said that he hoped there would be support for the bringing forward of a new action plan with regard to air quality.

The Council referred the petition to the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Transport, Councillor Mazher Iqbal. Councillor Iqbal thanked the petitioners. He said the subject of air pollution was a key issue and it was a priority for the Council to improve air quality in Sheffield. With regard to the proximity of Tinsley to the M1, he stated that he was one of the local councillors for the Tinsley area and he understood concerns regarding air quality and the motorway. The Council had taken a decision with regard to moving the location of a school adjacent to the M1.

Air quality was a challenge for cities globally and it was important that it was addressed. Whilst there were options, it was subject to resources. At its meeting in March, Cabinet approved a new sustainability strategy, which set out a sustainability vision and this was an issue which had included work with other Cabinet Members and the Green Commission. He assured Mr Ward that the Council would be producing a plan.

5.2.4 Petition Requesting Urgent Repairs on Cornish Street

The Council received a petition containing 32 signatures requesting urgent repairs on Cornish Street.

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by David Marsh. Mr Marsh stated that Streets Ahead work had been taking place at Kelham Island, including adjustments to the footway and kerb. This work was not completed. Complaints had been received concerning the removal of the cobbled surface and work had then stopped. Access to Cornish Street had been restricted as part of a programme to manage traffic at Kelham Island.

He said that the winter weather and flooding had resulted in the deterioration of the surface, including the formation of pot holes. It was also of concern that cars were becoming damaged and there had been no communication with residents since the works had ceased in September 2016. People had been assured that the cobbles were in safe storage. The petition asked for appropriate communications with residents and work to bring the area back to how it should be.

The Council referred the petition to the Leader of the Council, Councillor Julie Dore. Councillor Dore thanked the petitioners and apologised that she had only limited information at this time and that the Cabinet Member for Environment was not able to be present at the Council meeting.

She had made enquiries of Council Officers and had ascertained that some temporary repairs had recently been made. However, she acknowledged that the petitions had identified that more work was required. Amey would visit the location in the next two days, to carry out repairs to keep the street safe and to consider the final scheme, which was under discussion. Conservation Officers would be contributing to the process and a sympathetic scheme was sought, which recognised the nature of the area.

Councillor Dore said that she believed that Amey would welcome the lead petitioner's contact details, in order that they be kept informed and involved in discussions. Councillor Dore said that she would refer the matter to Councillor Lodge, the Cabinet Member for Environment. She commented that Kelham Island was one of the City's 'jewels in the crown' and it was important to make sure a sympathetic scheme was implemented.

5.2.5 <u>Petition Requesting the Council to Save the "Norfolk Park 6" Trees</u>

The Council received a petition containing 978 signatures requesting the Council to save the "Norfolk Park 6" trees.

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Graham Wroe. Mr Wroe referred to four photographs of pavement around trees in the area. Whilst three images showed damage to pavements, one image, which showed that the pavement surface looked smooth, related to a tree selected for felling. He said that he believed that the trees to be felled had not been selected with care.

With regard to mobility scooters and wheelchair users, Mr Wroe said that his wife used a wheelchair and he considered that the problems for people using wheelchairs related mainly to drivers parking across dropped kerbs and steps at the bottom of Shrewsbury Road. Norfolk Park was an area with relatively few street trees, which made those trees which did exist very special. It was accepted that some of the trees had reached the end of their lives and should be replaced.

Mr Wroe said that an ecologist had advised that six of the 27 trees in question on Norfolk Park should be saved and more recently an Arborist had said that a further five trees should also be retained. He said that he had questions which remained unanswered from requests made in January. This included the inspection reports relating to the six trees, which had been requested on 30 January. He asked whether the issues relating to damage to pavements on Tylney Road and Seabrook Road could be dealt with through the use of engineering specifications covered by the Streets Ahead contract. He said that he believed that a mistake had been made in relation to Tylney Road because the tree outside number 7 was not damaging the pavement to the extent that other trees were.

He referred to the survey of households which had been conducted and he believed that Norfolk Park Avenue had not been included and he also suspected that other roads had also been excluded. He therefore urged that trees on Guildford Avenue, Park Spring Drive and Park Spring Way also be referred to the Independent Tree Panel. He said that communications with Streets Ahead were problematic whereby a number of responses had been given to him, which had indicated that complaints were still being investigated and a full response would be provided when the outcomes were known. He asked the Council to please save the six Norfolk Park trees.

The Council referred the petition to the Leader of the Council, Councillor Julie Dore. Councillor Dore thanked the petitioners for submitting the petition. The trees had been inspected by experienced tree and highway experts and, where it was proposed to replace and replenish highway trees, a consultation communication would be sent to households on streets which were affected. This totalled 284 households in the Norfolk Park area. The Council had received some responses from households in streets that Mr Wroe had indicated might not have been included in the consultation process. Consultation surveys sent to households in November had resulted in the receipt of 8 responses. An online survey was undertaken 25 November to 9 December 2016. Consultation was also carried out on Guildford Avenue and Park Spring Way, to which there had been no responses received. Out of the households surveyed, two households disagreed with the proposals and, although there had been a low turnout, in cases where more than fifty percent of those responding disagreed, the matter would be referred to the Independent Tree Panel. The proposals relating to trees on Seabrook Road and Tylney Road were referred to the Independent Tree Panel and the report of the Panel was awaited.

When the report of the ITP was available, if there were additional works which could be applied and which were within the contract, these could be carried out. However, if there were measures required which were outside of the contract, the Council could not afford to take financial resources from elsewhere in the budget in order to fund these. She said that Mr Wroe had made reference to trees on Guildford Avenue in emails to her and she said that although these trees were in poor condition, they did not yet present an immediate category 1 safety risk and replacement had been delayed with a view to monitoring their condition. They would need to be replaced if there was further decline. The Council would receive the report of the Independent Tree Panel in relation to this issue and a response would be made in accordance with the process and policy.

5.2.6 <u>Petition Objecting to the Proposed Changes to the Care Provided for the Disabled</u>

The Council received an electronic petition containing 101 signatures objecting to the proposed changes to the care provided for the disabled.

There was no speaker to the petition.

The Council referred the petition to Councillor Cate McDonald, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care. Councillor McDonald reported that a response had been made to the petition.

5.3 <u>Public Questions</u>

5.3.1 <u>Public Question Concerning Smithy Wood</u>

Nigel Slack stated that the special planning meeting for the proposed Smithy Wood Motorway Services had been delayed. He asked what Council could tell people of the reason behind the delay; who asked for the delay; for what reason; and when was this decision likely to return to the meetings calendar?

Councillor Mazher Iqbal, the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Transport, stated that the application relating to Smithy Wood was a complex one. The delay was because of a pre-application in Rotherham at Junction 33 of the M1 which the Council had been asked to take into account. Advice had been sought from the Highways Agency and with regard to legal issues and, once the advice was received, the Council would be in a position to bring the planning application to the Planning and Highways Committee.

5.3.2 Public Question Concerning Gleadless Valley

Nigel Slack stated that he was delighted to see that Gleadless Valley was an area that will benefit from £500K redevelopment funding in the near future. He said that the Council also appeared to be indicating a consultation process on how this will be achieved. He asked whether the Council would ensure that local community groups were an integral part of this process and (Friends of the Valley/Reach/Tara/Forum/Wildlife Trust) including those that may currently be at odds with some Council projects and stated that whilst 500K may not be a huge amount of money, it could effect significant changes if neighbourhood priorities were recognised alongside party political objectives.

Councillor Jayne Dunn, the Cabinet Member for Housing, stated that there was no indication that there would not be consultation on this issue. She said that the Council would be working with community groups in the Gleadless area on what was an exciting development and there would also be work with local councillors.

5.3.3 <u>Public Question Concerning Business and Economy Cabinet Portfolio</u>

Nigel Slack congratulated Councillor Olivia Blake on her appointment to the post of Deputy Leader and stated that the Cabinet Portfolio of Business and Economy remained vacant. He commented that whilst the former Cabinet member, Councillor Bramall and he did not agree on everything, he could count on a fair hearing and a considered response for the most part and that he would be missed. Mr Slack asked that, with the number of strategic investment projects currently on the books could Council comment on who will be taking on this portfolio?

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council, thanked Mr Slack for his congratulations in respect of Councillor Oliva Blake. She said that tributes to Councillor Leigh Bramall would be made at a later Council meeting. She said that she hoped that Mr Slack also felt that he could count on her giving him a fair hearing, whilst recognising that there may not be agreement on every issue. She said that she would continue to contribute and have input with regard to issues including strategic investment, infrastructure of HS2/3, the advanced manufacturing and innovation district and major investment, to make sure these continued and were successful. The Cabinet Adviser supporting this area of work was Councillor Lewis Dagnall. It was not possible to bring in a new Cabinet Member at this point in time and prior to the Council's Annual Meeting. Councillor Dore said that she had an excellent Deputy Leader to assist her. The Cabinet would be presented at the Council Annual Meeting in May.

5.3.4 Public Question Concerning Conduct of Members

Nigel Slack stated that there had been much made of the lack of respect shown in recent Council Meetings, both between councillors and to members of the public. He said that he had witnessed Cabinet Members denigrating the contributions of experts. He referred to another incident to which he been made aware by a friend regarding the disrespect shown by at least one Councillor about the Sheffield public. He asked whether the Council agreed that, whilst they may accept that level of disrespect in the Chamber between themselves, it was unacceptable to disrespect the public in such a way and that we should expect better of elected members of this Council.

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council, said that she hoped that Mr Slack felt that she had shown respect to the public in relation to her own conduct. She was sorry to hear about the incident to which Mr Slack had referred and stated that if he did not wish to make a complaint under the Council's Code of Conduct complaints procedure, then she would be pleased to hold a conversation in confidence on the matter and so that the matter could be addressed.

5.3.5 Public Questions Concerning Streets Ahead

Justin Buxton stated that on 23 March in the Sheffield Star, Councillor Bryan Lodge had made reference to redacted parts the Streets Ahead contract not relating to street tree replacement, engineering solutions, numbers of trees to be replaced or penalties and he asked where the information regarding those details which Councillor Lodge had listed could be found, if they were not in the redacted parts of the contract.

He asked about an article in the Star newspaper in which the Cabinet Member

had stated that timber from street trees was donated to charities and to community groups. He asked if this this was the case, why Heeley City Farm was purchasing timber from Amey?

Mr Buxton referred to the previous meeting of Council, when he said the Cabinet Member had referred to the resurfacing works being delayed because of the controversy concerning street trees and had said that 6km of roads were behind schedule because of the controversy. He asked whether this accounted for roads which did not have street trees on and which were to be resurfaced.

Shelley Cockayne stated that the PFI contract explicitly stated in section 19.2 that Amey would bear the costs of any delays relating to protesters. She asked why councillors continued to say in the media that protesters were costing the Council money and for the detail of specific costs which could be attributed to protesters.

Secondly, Shelley Cockayne stated that Highways Act legislation allowed for curved kerb lines and even missing kerb stones, when required. She asked why councillors were insisting the opposite, when she said that was not true and what specific reasons were stopping Amey and the Council from using curved kerbs and saving street trees.

Thirdly, Shelley Cockayne asked, as the Council was not obliged to take notice of the independent Tree Panel, when the Panel recommended saving a number of mature trees; what was the Panel for and was it anything more than costly window dressing?

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council, responded to the questions. She said that it would be unfair to Mr Buxton and to the Cabinet Member, Councillor Lodge, for her to respond to the comments made in newspaper articles at this Council meeting, without checking what had been stated. She suggested that Mr Buxton provide the written questions to her and she would then make sure that a response was provided. Similarly, the questions concerning specific contract clauses would be subject to a written response because she would not be in a position to address them directly at this meeting.

With regard to the Independent Tree Panel, Councillor Dore stated that the consultation process had been introduced during the course of the core investment period of the Streets Ahead Programme. Trees had been replaced or replenished in the period before the Panel was established. The consultation process came about when it came to the Council's attention that people were concerned about highways trees. The Council had endeavoured to explain the Streets Ahead contract and the related constraints. The Private Finance Initiative on which the Streets Ahead Programme was based was widely supported by cross section of Members of the Council. She said that it would be extremely difficult to vary the contract under contract law and legislation and it was important to ensure there was a healthy tree population for present and future generations.

Within the programme, the retention of trees was a priority and removing trees was a last resort. The Independent Tree Panel was set up in relation to cases where residents oppose proposals relating to the removal of trees. In some

streets, people were supportive of proposals to remove trees. The Independent Panel provided a second opinion and acted to address any concerns relating to bias. The Panel included a range of experts to look at proposals. The Council also continued to meet with the Sheffield Trees Action Group (STAG). Councillor Dore stated that that she had offered that a further Panel was established to include two representatives from the Sheffield Trees Action Group in addition to Council Members, Officers and representatives of Amey to look at reports of the Tree Panel to enable people to challenge the Council with regards to the contract. However, this was rejected. STAG had made a counter proposal to cease the Independent Tree Panel. The Council would also consider whether two representatives from STAG could be included in the membership of the Independent Tree Panel.

Councillor Dore said that the Council continued to meet with STAG and would continue dialogue. The retention of trees was a priority and replacement was a last resort.

5.3.6 <u>Public Questions Concerning Gleadless Valley</u>

Steven Sheppard, representing Friends of the Valley, Gleadless Valley Community Group, stated that the Community Group would like to be involved in the consultation process regarding the developments in the area. The Group was gathering ideas from local residents as to what they wanted and regarding their needs. Apart from small projects, two specific areas had been identified which might be utilised for the good of the estate. The University of Sheffield was also interested in being involved in projects and Sheffield College had also offered support. The Friends of the Valley was a fully constituted group and it was in the process of an application to the Charity Commission. The group aimed to apply and raise funding for various local projects.

Councillor Jack Scott, the Cabinet Member for Community Services and Libraries, said that it was positive that a group had been established and that local Gleadless Valley Councillors were also keen to support the work of the Friends of the Valley and its activity in working with other local groups.

Councillor Jayne Dunn, the Cabinet Member for Housing, stated that it was pleasing that local groups were enthusiastic about the Masterplan for the area and she drew to attention to the importance of local groups and organisations. She said that the Council would like everyone to be involved who would wish to be and she also thanked people for their interest and enthusiasm.

5.3.7 Public Questions Concerning Children's Centres

Mike Levery referred to comments by a Department for Education (DfE) spokesperson in response to the concerns expressed by Dan Jarvis MP in February 2017, concerning the rising number of Children's Centre closures. The DfE response had been that many councils were merging centres to allow services to be delivered more efficiently and, where it was decided to close a children's centre site, it must be demonstrated that the outcomes for children would not be adversely affected and it would not compromise the duty to have

sufficient children's centres to meet local need. He asked if the Council would explain how the requirements of the Children's Act 2006 were met in the consultation to change from 16 Children's Centres to 7 Family Centres.

Councillor Jackie Drayton, the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Families, responded that she hoped that she had made it clear that the Council was not closing any Children's Centres. She said that the work which took place in early years was highly valued and the help and support provided to children, parents and carers did make a difference.

The proposals relating to Children's and Family Centres and delivery of Children's Centres services related to geographical areas and Ofsted inspections referred to an examination of services in those areas as a whole. The proposals concerned services being available to people in localities, a main site and linked sites. Of the 16 Children's Centres, 7 would become Family Centres and the remaining 9 would be linked centres and there would also be outreach services. Proposals covered the age range from 0 to 19 and 0 to 25 for children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities. The core and extra services would be delivered from a range of venues and by a range of organisations, where and when required.

Councillor Drayton stated that she would make sure that a written response was provided to Mr Levery's questions and in relation to questions that he had previously asked. She said in relation to the Children's Centre at Angram Bank, that the Centre was not closing and both the Ecclesfield Parish Council and local City Councillors had been kept informed. The changes concerned investment in early years, including with health organisations.

5.3.8 Public Questions Concerning Heavy Good Vehicles

Jeffery Brabban referred to residents' concerns with regard to traffic levels, speeding, heavy goods vehicles and pedestrian safety. Whilst the carriageway was 6 metres wide, there were parked vehicles present. On Monday between 7.15am and 8.45am, 1,200 and 1,400 vehicles had been recorded. People were using alternative routes in residential areas so as to avoid traffic congestion in Woodseats. Vehicles in the area included articulated lorries and distribution vehicles, which he said were not appropriate for roads in residential areas. There were also occasions when vehicles had mounted the pavements and the safety of pedestrians was of concern, including children's safety. Mr Brabban asked whether there were any plans to make improvements to the circumstances which he had outlined.

Janet Chapman made reference to the points raised concerning road safety and said that a man had been hit by a car whilst standing at the side of a vehicle and referred to other incidents. She said that no action had been taken.

Councillor Mazher Iqbal, the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure, asked Mr Brabban to provide him with further information. He said that he was working with the local ward councillors and had also visited locations in Dore. Councillor Iqbal said that he would be pleased to look at the situation which Mr Brabban had described and to involve local councillors. He commented that heavy goods vehicles should not be travelling through residential areas and indicated that there was some activity to prevent vehicles using inappropriate routes. However, there were limited resources which affected the extent to which monitoring and enforcement activity could take place. He said that this issue would be investigated further and a response would be provided.

Councillor lqbal stated that the Council received many requests in relation to highways safety schemes and all requests were assessed according to certain criteria. He would liaise with local councillors as regards the issues raised and the installation of a footpath.

5.3.9 Public Question Concerning Social Inclusion

Mr A Savoury asked how the Council was able to say that it was responsible to the people when he believed that he was socially excluded and received no help from the Council.

Councillor Cate McDonald, the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care, asked Mr Savoury to provide to her details of his individual case and said that she would speak with him and also provide a response to him in writing.

5.3.10 Public Question Concerning Somaliland

Kaltun Elmi stated that Somaliland had suffered a serious drought and much of the livestock there had been lost. She said that people were dying because of lack of food and water and due to other illness and many children were malnourished. Whilst people were proud, they needed support in relation to this natural disaster. There had been no rain and people had lost everything. She said that she had organised an event on 20 April to raise funds to help people in Somaliland. She asked whether the Leader of the Council would help to support the fundraising and attend the event as guest speaker.

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council, stated that events, such as those which were occurring in Somaliland, were not given a high profile in the media and so were not brought to people's attention. Social media was something which was used instead to help make people aware. She said that she had sometimes felt let down by the international community and national politicians. The Council supported the Somali community and this was something on which there was cross party support. She stated that the community in Sheffield were also affected as they had friends and family who might be involved in the circumstances in Somaliland. She confirmed that help could be given with fundraising and that she would make sure that there was a Member of the Cabinet at the fundraising event.

5.3.11 Public Question Concerning a driving range in High Hazels Park

Gabrielle Marsden Wheeler, junior captain of Tinsley Park Golf Course, asked for a small part of High Hazels Park to be used for a driving range to allow the teaching of local women and children to play golf. At this time, there were only two juniors and no women from black and minority ethnic communities and it was believed that this initiative would help community cohesion.

Councillor Mary Lea, the Cabinet Member for Culture, Parks and Leisure, stated that she was impressed at the enthusiasm which Gabrielle showed in relation to the sport. High Hazels Park was part of a charitable trust and therefore had special status. There was also a Friends Group for the Park. She suggested that a meeting was arranged with the appropriate Council officers to look at the issue further.

5.3.12 Public Question Concerning Service Provided by Charities

Jonathan Marsden made reference to cuts to Council funding and expectations that charities would provide services. He commented in relation to the economic differences between areas of Sheffield and he asked how charities could be democratically accountable to local people so they could have a say and whether there was a way for charities to include local people and communities who might also wish to run organisations themselves.

Councillor Jack Scott, the Cabinet Member for Community Services and Libraries, stated that the City was blighted by inequality and austerity, there were 19 food banks and there had been 7 years of unprecedented cuts and austerity which had affected the poorest people most, including disabled people and young people to a disproportionate extent. He said that the cuts were cruel and harmful and the Government had been warned about the consequences relating to increasing inequality and the need for the voluntary and community sectors having to increasing provide support.

He said that the voluntary and community sector in the City was amazing, with some 3,500 charitable and voluntary groups, many of which had grown from the bottom up. The estimated value of their activities to the economy was £810 million and 110,000 people gave their time to the voluntary sector and their work had a positive effect on the people the volunteers helped and on the volunteers themselves.

Councillor Scott said that in respect of accountability and how we might ensure that there was not a loss of democratic accountability, there was a robust structure to make sure that services, including those run by the voluntary and community sector, remained accountable to local people, including open grants rounds, which were explicit and fair for all organisations who were interested in applying. There was an open procurement process to make sure services were purchased in a fair manner and there was also proper contract management and performance management to make sure organisations delivered what they said they would.

He explained that City Councillors were involved with organisations and they were on the boards of local charities for example and that was a way of helping to make sure that organisations which received public money made the right decisions and there was accountable use of public money. Any expenditure was accountable to a Member of the Cabinet or the Leader of the Council and a democratic system meant that groups were held accountable to Cabinet Members and in turn Cabinet were held accountable. It was important for the City to have thriving voluntary and community sector.

5.4 <u>Petition Requiring Debate - Calling on the Council to "Save Ecclesall Road Trees"</u>

The Council received a joint electronic and paper petition containing 5,925 signatures, calling on the Council to "save Ecclesall Road trees".

The Council's Petitions Scheme requires that any petition containing over 5,000 signatures would be the subject of debate at a Council meeting. The wording of the qualifying paper and e-petition was as follows:-

"We, the undersigned, refute the assertion that the felling of over one third of the street trees on Ecclesall Road, Sheffield is necessary. We demand, and believe it imperative, that sensitive, alternative highway engineering specifications for pavements and kerbs be adopted and implemented to enable the long-term retention of those mature street trees designated as damaging. We also demand that those trees designated as dying be reconsidered in the light of the best arboricultural advice recently offered by experts such as Jeremy Barrell (BSc FArborA DipArb CBiol FICFor FRICS) with a view to retaining as many mature street trees on Ecclesall Road as possible and the felling of any of these trees be used only as a true last resort".

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Paul Hemmings. He stated that the petition had 5925 signatures and concerned the proposed removal of 13 out of 35 street trees on Ecclesall Road. The issue had been referred to the Independent Tree Panel for consideration. Eight of the trees were said to be damaging pavements or kerbs. Five were said to be senescent or ageing. He said that not one of the trees was diseased, dead or dangerous and that in the case of the damaging trees, there were engineering specifications within the Streets Ahead contract which could be applied at no cost to the Council. He asked why the contract was so heavily redacted as compared to Birmingham which he said was much more open to public scrutiny. He said that local councillors had, with him, undertaken a ward walk to look at the trees affected by the proposals. The Road was, he said, important for people in the area and people in Sheffield more generally and yet, due to the survey methodology, those who lived in the area, but not on the road itself, did not have a vote on whether the proposals were correct. Even though the local people would be just as affected by the removal of the trees, including environmental effects on canopy cover and the attractiveness of the street scene, which also contributed to the economic success of the area. Businesses on Ecclesall Road and surrounding area had been approached and were supportive of the campaign and 25 had indicated that they would be willing to talk to the press about the issue if requested. He also referred to proposals concerning the removal of Lime Trees on Thompson Road and Khartoum Road, which whilst not forming part of this petition, formed part of the historical setting o the Botanical Gardens and deserved special consideration. He asked the Council to consider whether it was willing to concede that the removal of a third of the trees on Ecclesall Road would diminish the amenity of the road and should be reconsidered in an open and honest debate and respond constructively to the

issue; and commit to informing people what it was in the PFI contract which was stopping the Council from changing course on what he said was the unnecessary felling of street trees.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13.1(b), the Leader of the Council (in the absence of the Cabinet Member for Environment) responded to the petition, following which the Shadow Cabinet Member for Environment spoke on the matter.

Councillor Julie Dore (the Leader of the Council) responded to the petition. She thanked local councillors for taking part in the local tree walk. The Streets Ahead programme was a major Private Finance Initiative (PFI) over a period of 25 years with the first 5 years of the programme being the core investment period, which included the replacement and replenishment of highways trees. There were 36,000 highways trees in Sheffield and approximately 6,000 of those required replacement or replenishment. This was because some trees were dead, dying, diseased or dangerous and there was a further criteria of trees which were damaging or discriminatory. Around one and a half thousand trees were in need of replacement due to them being damaging or discriminatory.

In specific relation to Ecclesall Road, consultation on proposals for highways trees took place between 20 November and 9 December 2016. 653 households were included in the survey and 15 responses were received, three of which agreed with proposals and 12 which did not agree. The matter was referred to the Independent Tree Panel (ITP) for consideration. The Panel would make its findings shortly and the Council would consider the findings and respond. There was a list of engineering applications within the Streets Ahead contract which had been applied on numerous occasions in the City during the first 4 years of the Streets Ahead programme. Seven trees had been removed on Ecclesall Road, prior to the commencement of the Streets Ahead programme because they were either: dying, dead, dangerous or damaging. The proposal was to replace 13 of the 33 existing trees and plant an additional 18 trees, which meant that there would be 51 trees in total.

The Shadow Cabinet Member for the Environment then spoke on the matter and Members of the City Council then debated the matters raised by the petition, as summarised below:-

The Council might show flexibility in relation to the standards applied to street trees so that more of them could be retained. A greater value should be attached to the benefit of mature trees on the highway. It was also thought that the issue of senescence was a matter of judgement and some flexibility could be applied in that regard. Ecclesall Road was a major commercial and leisure destination and an economically important one and the attractiveness of its environment also had an economic value. It was thought that the wide pavements on the road would allow sufficient access and space for trees.

Where a majority of residents objected to a proposal, a decision would not be made until the Independent Tree Panel had considered the issue and there had been analysis of the condition of trees and potential engineering solutions and the results would be made public when these became available. The tree replacement programme and highways programme would protect the green environment for future generations and give some of the best roads, pavements and street lights. 6,000 out of 36,000 trees were to be removed and replaced during the programme and would be classified using the agreed criteria. To date, some 600 additional roadside trees had been planted. There were a number of engineering solutions considered during works to retain a tree and it cost more to remove a tree than to keep it. It was an issue of resources in that the Council did not have additional financial resources to put into the Streets Ahead programme.

This was an important issue for people and people were clearly engaged in the process of bringing a petition to Council to debate. Comment was made about the openness of decision making and the Council having a role in being a spokesperson for people in relation to the Streets Ahead contractor Amey. It was thought that removal of the trees would have a detrimental impact on Ecclesall Road.

The local councillors had engaged with the local community and had participated in a walk with constituents to get their views and communicate with them with regard to the trees on Ecclesall Road. The results of the referral to the Independent Tree Panel would be looked at closely.

The trees on Ecclesall Road were an asset for people who lived, worked, shopped and visited the area and they enhanced the street scene. The campaigners were passionate about protecting street trees and the Council should review proposals and seek to retain the healthy trees. Saplings took many years to develop and did not provide the same amenity as mature trees.

The Council should continue with the tree replacement programme, which would address issues including access on pavements and an opportunity for future generations.

Reference was made to the role of councillors in representing their wards and to a number of petitions relating to the issue of highways trees in relation to which the Council would need to take notice. There was an opportunity to take a different approach to the issues concerning street trees.

The Council was keen to find solutions to the issues concerning highways trees, where these existed. There was an attempt to put forward new ideas in relation to engagement and problem solving with residents and the campaign groups. It was understood that there were issues relating to trust and that people might be sceptical in relation to proposals by the Council on this matter. There was a proposal for new experts to sit alongside the Independent Tree Panel, citizens and political representatives and to look in detail, where there were differences of expert opinion in relation to proposals relating to highways trees.

Other experts had looked at the same sets of proposals relating to the removal and replacement of trees, as had been considered by those with experience in the Council and had arrived at different conclusions. It was the Council's role to scrutinise Amey. Concerns were expressed in relation to the survey process, with households having one vote regardless of the number of people that reside there. Relatively few of the trees referred to the Independent Tree Panel as a result of the survey had been retained, despite recommendations from the Panel. Reference was made to the 14 solutions within the contract and their consideration both by Amey prior to referral to the Panel and by the Panel during its consideration of particular trees.

(Note: a challenge was made concerning the use of unbecoming language by Councillor Alison Teal during the debate and following advice by the Chief Executive, the meeting was adjourned for a short period.)

Upon the reconvening of the meeting, further contributions were made to the debate, as follows:

The Streets Ahead programme included highways, pavements, lighting and the replacement of trees. This was a long term project and by the end of the programme, there would be more highways trees. It was also important to consider people that wished to have certain trees replaced where they lived. The Streets Ahead programme represented investment for the future and there were also areas where residents clearly wanted work to continue.

The representative of the petitioners, Paul Hemmings, exercised a right of reply. He stated that the difficulty with the Independent Tree Panel was that although the Panel had recommended that 67 trees be saved, 61 of those had been removed. There were 35 trees on Ecclesall Road and he believed that there were no issues relating to the trees which could not be resolved by the use of sensitive engineering solutions. There had been a low response rate to the survey of households because of how the survey had been issued, using plain brown envelopes and there were also a number of properties occupied by students, in which case it may have been assumed that the item was junk mail. 12 households had responded although, depending on the size of the household, this may have represented many people.

Mr Hemmings commended the fact that the Council wished to resolve the issues relating to street trees and said that people needed to talk with each other to come to a solution. He said that it was a practical rather than a party political issue but it was also something which was emotional. He agreed that the investment and Streets Ahead Programme should not be jeopardised because of the issues relating to highways trees.

At this point in the proceedings, Councillor Alison Teal returned to the meeting and the Lord Mayor (Councillor Denise Fox) requested that she reconsider whether she would withdraw her earlier statement.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 19, the Lord Mayor (Councillor Denise Fox) put to the vote that Councillor Teal be excluded for the remainder of the meeting.

On being put to the vote, the motion to exclude Councillor Teal for the remainder of the meeting was carried.

The votes on the motion to exclude Councillor Teal for the remainder of the meeting were ordered to be recorded and were as follows:-

- The Lord Mayor (Councillor Denise Fox) and For the Motion (51) Helen Councillors Mirfin-Boukouris. Chris Rosling-Josephs, lan Saunders. Karen McGowan, Michelle Cook, Kieran Harpham, Jackie Drayton, Talib Hussain, Mark Jones, Craig Gamble Pugh, Mazher Igbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Steve Wilson, Abdul Khayum, Alan Law, Abtisam Mohamed, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald, Chris Peace, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Lisa Banes, Terry Fox, Pat Midgley, David Barker, Tony Downing, Mohammad Maroof, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Peter Rippon, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Tony Damms, Jayne Dunn, Richard Crowther, Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Zoe Sykes, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.
- Against the Motion (21) Councillors Andy Nash, Bob Pullin, Magid Magid, Douglas Johnson, Robert Murphy, Adam Hanrahan, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Roger Davison, Shaffaq Mohammed, Paul Scriven, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Steve Ayris, Gail Smith, Alison Teal, David Baker, Penny Baker and Vickie Priestley.

Abstained on the Motion (0) - Nil

Councillor Julie Dore, the Leader of the Council, responded to matters which were raised during the debate. She said that the PFI contract was a major issue. Options which had been put forward by people included terminating the contract with Amey or the application of variations to the contract.

The Council had ruled out engineering works which were not within the contract. The Council was not able to terminate the contract because of the cost implications and whilst another major contract, the Waste Management contract with Veolia, was being terminated, there were considerable costs which were

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being re-profiled.

Councillor Dore stated that whilst personally she did not support PFI, there was a need for contractual arrangements to be in place. The PFI arrangements included the Council, the Government and financiers. The Government had been requested to discuss renegotiation of PFI but had not yet responded positively. She said that the Council had made contact with the Government to discuss PFI in general and, if there was a way of changing PFI contracts then she would be supportive of that. PFI was not a suitable solution for every circumstance.

Councillor Dore outlined the proposed course of action in response to the petition, which was to note the petition, continue dialogue with people in relation to the issue and to refer the matter to the Cabinet Member to consider in conjunction with the advice of the Independent Tree Panel.

RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Julie Dore, seconded by Councillor Tony Downing: That this Council (a) notes the petition entitled "Save Ecclesall Road Trees", (b) refers the petition to the Cabinet Member for Environment to consider in conjunction with the advice awaited from the Independent Tree Panel in relation to those trees and (c) requests the Cabinet Member to continue to liaise with the petitioners.

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

For the Motion (50) Councillors Helen Mirfin-Boukouris. Chris Rosling-Josephs, lan Saunders. Karen McGowan, Michelle Cook, Kieran Harpham, Jackie Drayton, Talib Hussain, Mark Jones, Craig Gamble Pugh, Mazher Igbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Steve Wilson, Abdul Khayum, Alan Law, Abtisam Mohamed, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald, Chris Peace, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Lisa Banes, Terry Fox, Pat Midgley, David Barker, Tony Downing, Mohammad Maroof, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Peter Rippon, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Tony Damms, Jayne Dunn, Richard Crowther, Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Zoe Sykes, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.

Abstained on the Motion (1) - The Lord Mayor (Councillor Denise Fox).

6. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

(Note: At this point in the proceedings, the Lord Mayor (Councillor Denise Fox) left the meeting and the Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Anne Murphy) joined the meeting, taking the chair for the remainder of the proceedings.)

6.1 <u>Urgent Business</u>

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

6.2 <u>Questions</u>

- 6.2.1 A schedule of questions to Cabinet Members, submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16, and which contained written answers, was circulated. No supplementary questions, under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 16.4, were asked at the meeting.
- 6.3 <u>South Yorkshire Joint Authorities</u>
- 6.3.1 The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Anne Murphy) reported that Councillor Douglas Johnson had given advance notice of several questions relating to the South Yorkshire Pensions Authority, and this has enabled Councillor Paul Wood, the Council's Spokesperson on the Pensions Authority, to provide a detailed response. She stated that written copies of the questions and response had been circulated in the Chamber.
- 6.3.2 There were no further 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).

7. REPRESENTATION, DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND RELATED ISSUES

7.1 RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Peter Rippon, seconded by Councillor Olivia Blake, that:-

(a) it be noted that the Leader of the Council has appointed Councillor Olivia Blake to be a member of the Cabinet (without Portfolio), and the Cabinet Highways Committee, and to serve as Deputy Leader of the Council, with effect from 4th April 2017, following the resignation of the previous Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Business and Economy, Mr. Leigh Bramall, on 20th March 2017; and

(b) Councillor Olivia Blake be appointed to serve on the Corporate Joint Committee with Trade Unions, and the Corporate Members Group, to fill vacancies.

8. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR GEORGE LINDARS-HAMMOND

Bus Services Bill And Municipal Bus Companies

- 8.1 It was formally moved by Councillor George Lindars-Hammond, and formally seconded by Councillor Tony Downing, that this Council:-
 - (a) notes that in 1986 the Conservative government deregulated the bus market here in Sheffield and throughout England (outside of London); this record of deregulation has seen fares rise faster than inflation, patronage fall by more than a third nationally and bus market monopolies have become the norm;
 - (b) notes that the number of people using buses in South Yorkshire since the Conservatives' deregulation of the bus service has dropped significantly; according to figures from South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (SYPTE) there were 268,000,000 bus passengers in 1986 but now the number has fallen to 102,000,000; a drop in passenger numbers of 62%;
 - (c) notes that this Administration is committed to improving the standards of the bus service and welcomes the positive work undertaken with the bus partnership to improve on bus services in the city;
 - (d) believes that better bus services for the people of Sheffield are essential in providing affordable and convenient travel and notes that this Administration is actively exploring all options at its disposal to improve public transport in the city; in turn, reducing congestion and air pollution;
 - (e) is encouraged that the forthcoming Bus Services Bill will allow local communities to have a much greater say over the operation of bus services in their area and hopes are raised that this Bill could go some way to re-regulating the bus industry;
 - (f) notes, however, that despite positive aspects of the Bus Services Bill, including enhanced bus partnerships and greater franchising powers, there is considerable concern about the inclusion of Clause 21 when the Bill was proposed; the clause would have banned local authorities from forming and running their own bus companies in the future;
 - (g) notes that municipal bus operators provide some of the best services in the country as evident by the service provided by Nottingham City Council which consistently performs well in all outcomes measures; being well used and good value for local taxpayers;
 - (h) welcomes the work by the Labour Party in successfully implementing an amendment in the House of Lords to remove what this Council

believes is a senseless clause; a clause which seems to be driven by an ideological commitment that the "market knows best" in providing public transport, despite extensive evidence to the counter;

- regrets that despite Labour's victory in the Lords, the Government has reintroduced this clause during House of Commons Committee stage; and it is likely that Clause 21 will be reinstated into the Bus Services Bill when considered at the Report Stage and Third Reading commencing on 27 March;
- (j) believes that any attempts by the Government to reinstate the clause should be fought and supports Labour's opposition in Parliament; and
- (k) believes that the running of local bus services should be determined by the local communities they serve, and that all methods for ensuring this is so should be at the disposal of local authorities; whether in the form of franchising, bus partnerships or by local authorities running services themselves.
- 8.2 Whereupon, it was formally moved by Councillor Lewis Dagnall, and formally seconded by Councillor Mazher Iqbal, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the addition of new paragraphs (I) and (m) as follows:-
 - (I) raises concerns that the Bus Services Bill has now been passed in its entirety (in the third reading stage) by MPs and that a Labour amendment to remove Clause 21 was defeated by 276 to 188 votes; and notes that the Bill will now go back to the House of Lords before it can be passed into law; and wishes to continue to put pressure on Lords to consider removing Clause 21 and allowing councils such as Sheffield to decide themselves whether they wish to run bus services themselves or not; and
 - (m) reaffirms that, despite the inclusion of Clause 21, the Bus Services Bill should be welcomed for allowing local authorities to replace the current deregulated system of bus provision by allowing for enhanced bus partnerships and greater franchising powers; something this Administration has been calling for.
- 8.3 On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.
- 8.4 The original Motion, as amended, was then put as a Substantive Motion in the following form and carried:-

RESOLVED: That this Council:-

(a) notes that in 1986 the Conservative government deregulated the bus market here in Sheffield and throughout England (outside of London);

this record of deregulation has seen fares rise faster than inflation, patronage fall by more than a third nationally and bus market monopolies have become the norm;

- (b) notes that the number of people using buses in South Yorkshire since the Conservatives' deregulation of the bus service has dropped significantly; according to figures from South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (SYPTE) there were 268,000,000 bus passengers in 1986 but now the number has fallen to 102,000,000; a drop in passenger numbers of 62%;
- (c) notes that this Administration is committed to improving the standards of the bus service and welcomes the positive work undertaken with the bus partnership to improve on bus services in the city;
- (d) believes that better bus services for the people of Sheffield are essential in providing affordable and convenient travel and notes that this Administration is actively exploring all options at its disposal to improve public transport in the city; in turn, reducing congestion and air pollution;
- (e) is encouraged that the forthcoming Bus Services Bill will allow local communities to have a much greater say over the operation of bus services in their area and hopes are raised that this Bill could go some way to re-regulating the bus industry;
- (f) notes, however, that despite positive aspects of the Bus Services Bill, including enhanced bus partnerships and greater franchising powers, there is considerable concern about the inclusion of Clause 21 when the Bill was proposed; the clause would have banned local authorities from forming and running their own bus companies in the future;
- (g) notes that municipal bus operators provide some of the best services in the country as evident by the service provided by Nottingham City Council which consistently performs well in all outcomes measures; being well used and good value for local taxpayers;
- (h) welcomes the work by the Labour Party in successfully implementing an amendment in the House of Lords to remove what this Council believes is a senseless clause; a clause which seems to be driven by an ideological commitment that the "market knows best" in providing public transport, despite extensive evidence to the counter;
- regrets that despite Labour's victory in the Lords, the Government has reintroduced this clause during House of Commons Committee stage; and it is likely that Clause 21 will be reinstated into the Bus Services Bill when considered at the Report Stage and Third Reading commencing on 27 March;
- (j) believes that any attempts by the Government to reinstate the clause

should be fought and supports Labour's opposition in Parliament;

- (k) believes that the running of local bus services should be determined by the local communities they serve, and that all methods for ensuring this is so should be at the disposal of local authorities; whether in the form of franchising, bus partnerships or by local authorities running services themselves;
- (I) raises concerns that the Bus Services Bill has now been passed in its entirety (in the third reading stage) by MPs and that a Labour amendment to remove Clause 21 was defeated by 276 to 188 votes; and notes that the Bill will now go back to the House of Lords before it can be passed into law; and wishes to continue to put pressure on Lords to consider removing Clause 21 and allowing councils such as Sheffield to decide themselves whether they wish to run bus services themselves or not; and
- (m) reaffirms that, despite the inclusion of Clause 21, the Bus Services Bill should be welcomed for allowing local authorities to replace the current deregulated system of bus provision by allowing for enhanced bus partnerships and greater franchising powers; something this Administration has been calling for.
- 8.4.1 The votes on the Substantive Motion were ordered to be recorded and were as follows:-

For the Substantive Motion (50)	 The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Anne Murphy) and Councillors Helen Mirfin- Boukouris, Chris Rosling-Josephs, Ian Saunders, Karen McGowan, Michelle Cook, Kieran Harpham, Talib Hussain, Mark Jones, Craig Gamble Pugh, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Steve Wilson, Abdul Khayum, Alan Law, Abtisam Mohamed, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald, Chris Peace, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Lisa Banes, Terry Fox, Pat Midgley, David Barker, Tony Downing, Mohammad Maroof, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne

Hurst, Peter Rippon, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Tony Damms, Jayne Dunn, Richard Crowther, Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Zoe Sykes, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.

Against the - Nil Substantive Motion (0)

Abstained on the - Nil Substantive Motion (0)

8.5 (NOTE: In the absence of a mover for the amendment, Amendment Number 1 on the list of amendments circulated at the meeting, was not considered by the Council.)

9. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JULIE DORE

Boeing Investment

- 9.1 RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Julie Dore, seconded by Councillor Lisa Banes, that this Council:-
 - (a) welcomes the recent news that Sheffield City Region is set to partner Boeing, the world's largest aerospace company, in a deal worth millions of pounds to the city;
 - (b) notes that this will be Boeing's first factory in Europe and that, alongside the University of Sheffield's Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre (AMRC), this has further cemented Sheffield City Region's credentials as a global centre for innovation-inspired advanced manufacturing;
 - (c) notes the significant national coverage the recent deals with Boeing and McLaren are bringing to the area and believes that under this Administration the message is clear: "Sheffield is open for business";
 - (d) reaffirms that this Administration is committed to growing our local economy and is having great success in this; in turn, creating jobs and increasing living standards;
 - (e) believes that this Administration's approach is in stark contrast to the Liberal Democrats who, when in national government, chose to make damaging cuts in funding for regional growth and failed to provide

adequate financial support to local businesses and cancelled the Labour Government's loan to Sheffield Forgemasters;

- (f) notes that the recruitment for the proposed 2,300-square-metre Boeing Sheffield facility is anticipated to begin from late 2018, with a planned Boeing investment of more than £20 million into the site, and believes this demonstrates what can be achieved with a proactive approach to business creation and investment, as undertaken by this Administration; and
- (g) supports the Administration's commitment to making Sheffield a leader in advanced manufacturing in the country.
- 9.1.1 The votes on the Motion were ordered to be recorded and were as follows:-

For the Motion (50) - The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Anne Murphy) and Councillors Helen Mirfin-Boukouris, Chris Rosling-Josephs, lan Saunders. Karen McGowan, Michelle Cook, Kieran Talib Hussain, Harpham, Mark Jones, Craig Gamble Pugh, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Steve Wilson, Abdul Khayum, Alan Law. Abtisam Mohamed, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald. Chris Peace. Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Lisa Banes, Terry Fox, Pat Midgley, David Barker, Tony Downing, Mohammad Maroof, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Peter Rippon, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Tony Damms, Richard Crowther, Javne Dunn, Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Zoe Sykes, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.

Against the Motion (0) - Nil

Abstained on the - Nil

Motion (0)

9.2 (NOTE: In the absence of a mover for the amendment, Amendment Number 3 on the list of amendments circulated at the meeting, was not considered by the Council.)

10. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR SHAFFAQ MOHAMMED

Brexit Deal

10.1 In the absence of a mover for the motion, item 9 on the order of business published for this meeting (Notice of Motion Given By Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed), together with Amendment Number 4 on the list of amendments circulated at the meeting, were not considered by the Council.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR CRAIG GAMBLE PUGH

Schools Funding (1)

- 11.1 RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Craig Gamble Pugh, seconded by Councillor Ben Miskell, that this Council:-
 - (a) notes that, through the Schools Fairer Funding Formula, the Government is imposing real term cuts on schools by freezing perpupil funding while inflation and school costs, such as staff salary costs, employer pension and national insurance contributions, increase; which affect all schools and academies alike;
 - (b) notes that the 'area cost adjustment' will still apply and that this system perpetuates the inherent unfairness of the system and, as according to the Government's own statistics, in Sheffield by 2019 there will be an average pupil funding decrease of approximately 10%, around £350 per pupil, and that, even with a new funding formula, 98% of schools will be worse off in real terms;
 - (c) notes that, eventually, schools funding will be distributed by national government, not through local authorities and the Schools Forum, removing any local discretion, influence or accountability;
 - (d) believes that these proposals create divisions between primary and secondary schools and pits local authorities, parts of our City and even neighbouring schools, against each other; at the same time as the Government is finding over £500m extra cash for its Free and Grammar School agenda - which this Council is totally opposed to;
 - (e) believes that the Government is continuing to penalise small schools

and effectively forcing them to look for economies of scale by joining a Multi Academy Trust, pushing its Academy Policy;

- (f) reaffirms its opposition to segregation and the creation of new grammar schools and believes that the evidence base for grammar schools improving social mobility is incredibly weak and the Government's decision is derived more from ideology than evidence;
- (g) believes that every child deserves the best possible start in life, and that an excellent education is central to this, yet this Government's Funding proposals will make it extremely difficult for schools to meet the increasing demand of pupil numbers or address the growing national crisis in teacher recruitment and retention; and
- (h) urges all schools, governors, parents, carers and students to join with the NUT, Unison, GMBU and the Council to support the More Funding for all Sheffield Schools' Campaign; fighting for more funding to be found for schools, not from the proposed redistribution of cash between local authorities or from taking money from primary schools to give to secondary schools, but from new money; and encourages them to write to their local MPs to support the Campaign and to the Secretary of State for Education for the Government to review these proposals and find more money for our schools.
- 11.1.1 The votes on the Motion were ordered to be recorded and were as follows:-

For the Motion (50) The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Anne Murphy) and Councillors Helen Mirfin-Boukouris, Chris Rosling-Josephs, lan Saunders. Karen McGowan, Michelle Cook, Kieran Talib Hussain, Harpham, Mark Jones, Craig Gamble Pugh, Mazher Igbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Steve Wilson, Abdul Khayum, Alan Law, Abtisam Mohamed, Cate Lewis Dagnall, McDonald. Chris Peace. Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Lisa Banes, Terry Fox, Pat Midgley, David Barker, Tony Downing, Mohammad Maroof, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Peter Rippon, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Tony Damms, Jayne Dunn, Richard Crowther, Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Zoe Sykes, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.

Against the Motion (0) - Nil

Abstained on the - Nil Motion (0)

12. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JULIE DORE

Proposed Closure Of Eastern Avenue Jobcentre

12.1 RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Julie Dore, seconded by Councillor Dianne Hurst, that this Council:-

- (a) opposes the decision to close Eastern Avenue Jobcentre on the basis of accessibility, capacity, impact on the community and inadequate departmental analysis & assessment of the impact itself;
- (b) believes that the process by which these proposals have been announced do not stand alone from the decision itself, with the initial decision having been made without conducting an impact assessment and without a clear picture of those individual claimants or future claimants whom it is likely to affect; including extremely vulnerable claimants with disabilities and mental health problems;
- (c) is concerned that the proposals are putting 70 jobs at risk and believes there are major concerns about whether claimants will be as well supported by a newly reconfigured service, with the local office potentially much further afield for claimants;
- (d) believes that even if these jobs are relocated, the changes to the service will take a large amount of workers out of the local community at Manor Top and this will impact on the area and local businesses;
- (e) notes that this Administration is vocal in its opposition to the damaging impact the closure of the Jobcentre could have on how vital employment support is provided, and believes that there is a need for these services to be as close to people as possible and yet the proposals do nothing for forming a serious joined-up strategy of how

employment services should be run;

- (f) believes the proposed closure of Eastern Avenue Jobcentre is a bad decision by this Government and one which will become evidently worse as Universal Credit continues to be rolled out, as people who are in work will have to attend interviews at Jobcentres; and notes that, as such, councillors from this Administration have called on the Government to reconsider its decision; and furthermore, offers full support and solidarity to the Public and Commercial Services Union (PCS) in its campaign to keep the Centre open; and
- (g) notes that the public consultation has recently finished and that all nine Labour Councillors who represent the communities most affected – Park and Arbourthorne, Manor Castle and Richmond - submitted their objections to the plans, and hopes the Government takes heed of their advice and reconsiders those plans.
- 12.1.1 The votes on the Motion were ordered to be recorded and were as follows:-
 - For the Motion (50) - The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Anne Murphy) and Councillors Helen Mirfin-Boukouris, Chris Rosling-Josephs, lan Saunders. Karen McGowan, Michelle Cook, Kieran Harpham, Talib Hussain, Mark Jones, Craig Gamble Pugh, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Steve Wilson. Abdul Khayum, Alan Law, Abtisam Mohamed, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald. Chris Peace. Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Lisa Banes, Terry Fox, Pat Midgley, David Barker, Tony Downing, Mohammad Maroof, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble. Dianne Hurst. Peter Rippon, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Tony Damms, Javne Dunn, Richard Crowther, Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Zoe Sykes, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul

Wood.

Against the Motion (0) - Nil

Abstained on the - Nil Motion (0)

12.2 (NOTE: In the absence of a mover for the amendment, Amendment Number 5 on the list of amendments circulated at the meeting, was not considered by the Council.)

13. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR STEVE AYRIS

Schools Funding (2)

13.1 In the absence of a mover for the motion, item 12 on the order of business published for this meeting (Notice of Motion Given By Councillor Steve Ayris), together with Amendment Number 6 on the list of amendments circulated at the meeting, were not considered by the Council.

14. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR ROB MURPHY

Air Pollution

14.1 In the absence of a mover for the motion, item 13 on the order of business published for this meeting (Notice of Motion Given By Councillor Rob Murphy), together with Amendment Number 7 on the list of amendments circulated at the meeting, were not considered by the Council.

15. NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN BY COUNCILLOR JOHN BOOKER

"Quantitative Easing For The People"

15.1 In the absence of a mover for the motion, item 14 on the order of business published for this meeting (Notice of Motion Given By Councillor John Booker), together with Amendments Numbered 8 and 9 on the list of amendments circulated at the meeting, were not considered by the Council.

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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 17 May 2017, at 11.30 am, pursuant to notice duly given and Summonses duly served.

PRESENT

THE LORD MAYOR (Councillor Denise Fox) THE DEPUTY LORD MAYOR (Councillor Anne Murphy)

1	<i>Beauchief & Greenhill Ward</i> Andy Nash Bob Pullin Richard Shaw	10	East Ecclesfield Ward Andy Bainbridge	19	<i>Nether Edge & Sharrow Ward</i> Mohammad Maroof Alison Teal
2	<i>Beighton Ward</i> Helen Mirfin-Boukouris Chris Rosling-Josephs Ian Saunders	11	<i>Ecclesall Ward</i> Roger Davison Shaffaq Mohammed	20	<i>Park & Arbourthorne</i> Julie Dore Ben Miskell Jack Scott
3	<i>Birley Ward</i> Denise Fox Bryan Lodge	12	<i>Firth Park Ward</i> Abdul Khayum Alan Law Abtisam Mohamed	21	<i>Richmond Ward</i> Mike Drabble Dianne Hurst Peter Rippon
4	<i>Broomhill & Sharrow Vale Ward</i> Michelle Cook Kieran Harpham	13	<i>Fulwood Ward</i> Sue Alston Andrew Sangar Cliff Woodcraft	22	<i>Shiregreen & Brightside Ward</i> Dawn Dale Peter Price Garry Weatherall
5	<i>Burngreave Ward</i> Jackie Drayton Mark Jones	14	<i>Gleadless Valley Ward</i> Lewis Dagnall Cate McDonald Chris Peace	23	<i>Southey Ward</i> Mike Chaplin Tony Damms Jayne Dunn
6	<i>City Ward</i> Douglas Johnson Robert Murphy Moya O'Rourke	15	<i>Graves Park Ward</i> Ian Auckland Sue Auckland Steve Ayris	24	<i>Stannington Ward</i> David Baker Penny Baker
7	<i>Crookes & Crosspool Ward</i> Craig Gamble Pugh Adam Hanrahan Anne Murphy	16	<i>Hillsborough Ward</i> Bob Johnson George Lindars-Hammond Josie Paszek	25	<i>Stocksbridge & Upper Don Ward</i> Jack Clarkson Richard Crowther Keith Davis
8	<i>Darnall Ward</i> Mazher Iqbal Mary Lea Zahira Naz	17	<i>Manor Castle Ward</i> Lisa Banes Terry Fox Pat Midgley	26	<i>Walkley Ward</i> Olivia Blake Neale Gibson
9	<i>Dore & Totley Ward</i> Joe Otten Colin Ross Martin Smith	18	<i>Mosborough Ward</i> David Barker Tony Downing Gail Smith	27	<i>West Ecclesfield Ward</i> Adam Hurst Zoe Sykes
				28	<i>Woodhouse Ward</i> Mick Rooney Jackie Satur Paul Wood

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Pauline Andrews, John Booker, Ben Curran, Talib Hussain, Magid Magid, Karen McGowan, Vickie Priestley, Paul Scriven and Steve Wilson.

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

Councillor Denise Fox, 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 Josie Paszek, seconded by Councillor Penny Baker, that Councillor Anne Murphy be elected Lord Mayor of the City of Sheffield for the Municipal Year 2017/18.

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

Whereupon the retiring Lord Mayor vacated the Chair, which was then taken by Councillor Anne Murphy, the Lord Mayor.

3. TO MOVE A VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING LORD MAYOR AND CONSORT

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY: On the motion of Councillor Bryan Lodge, seconded by Councillor David Baker, that the best of thanks of this Council under the Common Seal be presented to Councillor Denise Fox and Councillor Terry Fox for the able and very satisfactory manner in which they have performed their various official duties as Lord Mayor and Consort of this City during the past year.

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

RESOLVED: On the motion of Councillor Robert Murphy, seconded by Councillor Peter Rippon, that Councillor Magid Magid be appointed Deputy Lord Mayor of the City of Sheffield for the Municipal Year 2017/18.

At this point in the proceedings, the meeting was adjourned. The meeting reconvened at 2.15 pm.

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

RESOLVED: On the motion of Councillor Peter Rippon, seconded by Councillor Michelle Cook, that Councillor Julie Dore be appointed Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2017/18.

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 MUNICIPAL YEAR

RESOLVED: On the motion of Councillor Peter Rippon, 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 an increase of £9,050 over a full year (including employer NI costs, as applicable), due to the payment of two extra Band D allowances for two additional Cabinet Advisers from the number appointed in 2016/17, with that cost to be met from within the Members' training and/or supplies budgets through management actions to contain expenditure in those areas over the course of the year.

APPOINTMENT OF CABINET MEMBERS, CABINET ADVISERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CABINET HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE 2017/18

Title/Post	Name	Ward
CABINET:-		
Portfolio:-		
Leader	Councillor Julie Dore	Park & Arbourthorne
Business and Investment	Councillor Mazher Iqbal	Darnall
Children, Young People and Families	Councillor Jackie Drayton	Burngreave
Culture, Parks and Leisure (includes libraries)	Councillor Mary Lea	Darnall
Environment and Streetscene	Councillor Bryan Lodge	Birley
Finance	Councillor Olivia Blake (Deputy Leader)	Walkley
Health and Social Care (includes voluntary sector)	Councillor Cate McDonald	Gleadless Valley
Neighbourhoods and Community Safety (includes social/private sector housing and Local Area Partnerships)	Councillor Jayne Dunn	Southey
Planning and Development (includes housing development)	Councillor Ben Curran	Walkley
Transport and Sustainability	Councillor Jack Scott	Park & Arbourthorne
Cabinet Highways Committee	Cllrs Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Bryan Lodge and Jack Scott	

Title/Post	Name	Ward
Cabinet Highways Committee Substitute Members:-	Cllrs Julie Dore, Jackie Drayton, Jayne Dunn, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea and Cate McDonald	
CABINET ADVISERS:-		
Portfolio:-		
Leader	-	-
Business and Investment	Small Business - Councillor George Lindars-Hammond	Hillsborough
Children, Young People and Families	Skills & Information, Advice and Guidance – Councillor Dawn Dale	Shiregreen & Brightside
	<i>Tackling Poverty</i> - Councillor Mike Drabble	Richmond
Culture, Parks and Leisure	<i>Participation</i> – Councillor Zahira Naz	Darnall
Environment and Streetscene	Clean Sheffield - Councillor Karen McGowan	Birley
Finance	<i>Procurement</i> - Councillor Abtisam Mohamed	Firth Park
Health and Social Care	Respite and Carers - Councillor Michelle Cook	Broomhill & Sharrow Vale
	Voluntary Sector – Councillor Mark Jones	Burngreave
Neighbourhoods and Community Safety	Safe City – Councillor Tony Downing	Mosborough
	Private Rented Sector - Councillor Lewis Dagnall	Gleadless Valley
Planning and Development	<i>Planning for the Future</i> - Councillor Adam Hurst	West Ecclesfield

Title/Post	Name	Ward
Transport and Sustainability	<i>Green City</i> - Councillor Craig Gamble Pugh	Crookes & Crosspool

7. ESTABLISHMENT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES FOR 2017-18 AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THOSE COMMITTEES

RESOLVED: On the motion of Councillor Peter Rippon, 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 2017/18, as set out in the report circulated with the agenda for this meeting;
- (b) agrees that, subject to the incorporation of the terms of reference for the single Audit and Standards Committee, the terms of reference of Council Committees in 2017/18 be as currently set out in the Constitution;
- (i) approves the sizes of individual committees to be subject to proportional (C) balance in 2017/18 and the initial allocation of seats to political groups on individual committees before final adjustment, as set out in the report; (ii) 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 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 Liberal Democrat Group and (B) 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 Liberal Democrat Group; and (iii) approves the appointment of Members to all Council Committees in 2017/18 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 continue 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;
- (e) notes that the effect upon the Special Responsibility Allowance element of the budget for Members' Allowances of the establishment of Council Committees for 2017/18 and the appointments proposed to be made later

this day to the positions of Chairs of those Committees, is cost neutral; and

(f) requests that the impact on the allocation of seats on Council Committees of the result of the Nether Edge and Sharrow Ward By-Election to be held on 22nd June 2017 be reported to the July Council meeting, and 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 2017/18

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/ Other
Scrutiny and Policy Development Committees:-			
(1) Overview & Scrutiny Management Committee (Chair = Lead Member for Scrutiny; membership includes the Chairs of the 4 Scrutiny and Policy Development Committees)	Cllrs Denise Fox, George Lindars- Hammond, Pat Midgley, Helen Mirfin-Boukouris, Josie Paszek, Chris Peace, Mick Rooney, Ian Saunders and Steve Wilson	Cllrs Ian Auckland, Penny Baker and Cliff Woodcraft	Cllr Douglas Johnson; Cllr John Booker
(2) Children, Young People and Family Support	Cllrs Andy Bainbridge, Terry Fox, Craig Gamble Pugh, Kieran Harpham, Karen McGowan, Mohammad Maroof, Abtisam Mohamed, Josie Paszek and Mick Rooney (1 vacancy)	Cllrs Vickie Priestley, Bob Pullin and Cliff Woodcraft	Cllr Alison Teal; Cllr John Booker; Waheeda Din, Peter Naldrett and Joanna Heery (Parent Governor Representatives) - to 13/09/19; Gillian Foster, (Diocese Rep); (1 Diocese Rep); (1 Diocese Rep); Alison Warner (School Governor Representative);

			Alice Riddell (Healthwatch – Observer)
(3) Economic and Environmental Wellbeing	Cllrs Lisa Banes, Denise Fox, Neale Gibson, Dianne Hurst, Mark Jones, Abdul Khayum, Helen Mirfin- Boukouris, Ben Miskell and Moya O'Rourke (1 vacancy)	Cllrs Ian Auckland, Colin Ross, Gail Smith and Martin Smith	Cllr Robert Murphy
(4) Healthier Communities & Adult Social Care	Cllrs David Barker, Lewis Dagnall, Mike Drabble, Adam Hurst, Dianne Hurst, Talib Hussain, Karen McGowan, Pat Midgley and Garry Weatherall (1 vacancy)	Cllrs Sue Alston, Steve Ayris and Richard Shaw	Cllr Douglas Johnson; Cllr Pauline Andrews; Helen Rowe and Clive Skelton (HealthWatch Representatives - Observers)
(5) Safer and Stronger Communities	Cllrs Michelle Cook, Richard Crowther, Dawn Dale, Tony Downing, Mark Jones, George Lindars-Hammond, Zahira Naz, Chris Peace and Zoe Sykes (1 vacancy)	Cllrs Sue Auckland, Penny Baker and Joe Otten	Cllr Magid Magid; Cllr Keith Davis
Scrutiny Committee Substitute Members:-	Cllrs Craig Gamble Pugh, Adam Hurst, Dianne Hurst, Karen McGowan, and Peter Rippon	Cllrs Sue Auckland, Adam Hanrahan, Andy Nash, Colin Ross, Andrew Sangar and Richard Shaw	Cllrs Douglas Johnson, Magid Magid, Robert Murphy and Alison Teal; Cllrs Pauline Andrews, John Booker, Jack Clarkson and Keith Davis

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/ Other
Statutory/Regulatory Committees:-			
Planning and Highways Committee:-	Cllrs Michelle Cook, Tony Damms, Dianne Hurst, Robert Johnson, Alan Law, Zahira Naz, Peter Price, Peter Rippon, Chris Rosling-Josephs and Zoe Sykes	Cllrs Ian Auckland, David Baker, Roger Davison and Joe Otten	Cllr Jack Clarkson
Planning and Highways Committee Substitute Members:-	Cllrs Abtisam Mohamed, Ian Saunders and Garry Weatherall (2 vacancies)	Cllrs Bob Pullin, Vickie Priestley, Andrew Sangar and Cliff Woodcraft (1 vacancy)	Cllr John Booker
Licensing Committee	Cllrs Andy Bainbridge, Lisa Banes, David Barker, Dawn Dale, Neale Gibson, Kieran Harpham, Adam Hurst, George Lindars- Hammond, Josie Paszek and Mick Rooney	Cllrs Andy Nash, Vickie Priestley, Gail Smith and Cliff Woodcraft	Cllr Jack Clarkson
Audit and Standards Committee (only non-Executive Members)	Cllrs Dianne Hurst, Alan Law, Pat Midgley, Josie Paszek and Peter Price	Cllrs Adam Hanrahan and Paul Scriven	Independent Co- optees - Elizabeth Stanley (2 vacancies)
	When Standards matters are to be considered, a representative of the Parish and Town Councils would also be able to attend.		

Standards Consideration Sub- Committee	3 Members of the Audit and Standards Committee and 1 Non-voting Co-Opted Member (<i>Where a Parish or Town</i> <i>Council matter is being considered, a representative of the</i> <i>Parish or Town Councils should also be present</i>)			
Standards Hearing Sub- Committee	Non-voting Co-Opted Council matter is bei	3 Members of the Audit and Standards Committee and 1 Non-voting Co-Opted Member (<i>Where a Parish or Town</i> <i>Council matter is being considered, a representative of the</i> <i>Parish or Town Councils should also be present</i>)		
Admissions Committee (Substitute Members to be appointed by the Chief Executive in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Portfolio Member or Opposition Spokesperson, as appropriate)	Cllrs Craig Gamble Pugh, Talib Hussain, Chris Peace and Chris Rosling-Josephs (1 vacancy)	Cllrs Andy Nash and Andrew Sangar		
Senior Officer Employment Committee	Cllrs Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Julie Dore, Jackie Drayton, Jayne Dunn, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Bryan Lodge, Cate McDonald and Jack Scott	Cllrs Sue Auckland, David Baker, Penny Baker and Shaffaq Mohammed	Cllr Magid Magid	
Appeals and Collective Disputes Committee	Cllrs Tony Damms, Tony Downing, Neale Gibson, Talib Hussain, Pat Midgley, Peter Price, Peter Rippon and Jackie Satur (2 vacancies)	Cllrs Sue Auckland, Andy Nash and Vickie Priestley	Cllr Alison Teal; Cllr Pauline Andrews	
Health and Wellbeing Board	Cllrs Jackie Drayton and Cate McDonald			
Independent Remuneration Panel			David Baldwin (to 6/2/19), Edward Fleming (to 6/2/20) and Mark Power (to 6/2/21) (1 vacancy)	

8. APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL PANELS, GROUPS ETC AND TO EXTERNAL BODIES FOR 2017-18

RESOLVED: On the motion of Councillor Peter Rippon, 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 for 2017/18, set out in the schedule circulated at the meeting;
- (b) approval be given to the appointment of Members to serve on external bodies in 2017/18, 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 2017/18

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/Other
Champions:- Heritage	Cllr Ian Saunders		
Complaints Review Panel			1 independent Chair and 2 further independent members
Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education	(1 vacancy)	Cllr Cliff Woodcraft	

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/Other
Local Area Partnership C	hair's		
North East	Cllr Peter Price		
East	Cllr Lisa Banes		
South East	Cllr Paul Wood		
Central	Cllr Neale Gibson		
North	Cllr Steve Wilson		
South		Cllr Ian Auckland	
South West		Cllr Andrew Sangar	
Local Area Partnership Chairs' Group	Cllrs Lisa Banes, Neale Gibson, Peter Price, Steve Wilson, Paul Wood and Jayne Dunn	Cllrs lan Auckland and Andrew Sangar	
Local Area Partnership L	ead Ward Members:-		I
Beauchief and Greenhill		Cllr Andy Nash	
Beighton	Cllr Chris Rosling- Josephs		
Birley	Cllr Karen McGowan		
Broomhill & Sharrow Vale	Cllr Kieran Harpham		
Burngreave	Cllr Talib Hussain		
City			Cllr Robert Murphy
Crookes & Crosspool	Cllr Craig Gamble Pugh		
Darnall	Cllr Mary Lea		
Dore and Totley		Cllr Colin Ross	
East Ecclesfield	Cllr Steve Wilson		
Ecclesall		Cllr Roger Davison	
Firth Park	Cllr Alan Law		
Fulwood		Cllr Andrew Sangar	

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/Other
Gleadless Valley	Cllr Lewis Dagnall		
Graves Park		Cllr Ian Auckland	
Hillsborough	Cllr Josie Paszek		
Manor Castle	Cllr Lisa Banes		
Mosborough	Cllr David Barker		
Nether Edge & Sharrow	Cllr Mohammad Maroof		
Park & Arbourthorne	Cllr Jack Scott		
Richmond	Cllr Dianne Hurst		
Shiregreen & Brightside	Cllr Peter Price		
Southey	Cllr Tony Damms		
Stannington		Cllr Vickie Priestley	
Stocksbridge & Upper Don			Cllr Keith Davis
Walkley	Cllr Neale Gibson		
West Ecclesfield	Cllr Adam Hurst		
Woodhouse	Cllr Paul Wood		
Access Liaison Group	Cllrs Olivia Blake, George Lindars- Hammond and Ian Saunders	Cllr Cliff Woodcraft	Cllr Douglas Johnson
Adoptions and Fostering Panel	(3 vacancies)	(3 vacancies)	
Allotments and Leisure Gardens Advisory Group	Cllrs Tony Downing and Garry Weatherall (1 vacancy)	Cllr Cliff Woodcraft	(1 vacancy)
Castlegate Member Working Group	Cllrs Lisa Banes, Chris Rosling-Josephs and Ian Saunders	Cllrs Penny Baker and Colin Ross	Cllr Robert Murphy

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/Other
Community Covenant Working Group	Cllr Tony Damms (1 vacancy)		Mr Clive Skelton
Corporate Joint Committee with Trade Unions	Cllrs Olivia Blake, Ben Curran, Julie Dore, Jackie Drayton, Jayne Dunn, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Bryan Lodge, Cate McDonald and Jack Scott		
Corporate Members Group	Cllrs Julie Dore, Olivia Blake and Peter Rippon	Cllrs David Baker, Penny Baker and Shaffaq Mohammed	Cllr Robert Murphy; Cllr Jack Clarkson
Corporate Parenting Board	Cllrs Andy Bainbridge, Dawn Dale, Mike Drabble, Jackie Drayton, Craig Gamble Pugh, Abtisam Mohamed and Chris Peace	Cllrs Sue Alston and Martin Smith	Cllr Alison Teal
Cycle Forum	Cllr Steve Wilson	Cllr Richard Shaw	Cllr Magid Magid
Environmental Performance Working Party	(3 vacancies)	Cllr Joe Otten (1 vacancy)	Cllr Rob Murphy
Fairer Charging Commission	Cllrs Cate McDonald (1 vacancy)	Cllr Sue Auckland	
Fairtrade Working Group	(1 vacancy)	(1 vacancy)	Cllr Magid Magid
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)	Cllr Alison Teal (1 UKIP vacancy)
Monitoring and Advisory Board (Adult Services)	Cllrs Cate McDonald and Peter Rippon (1 vacancy)	Cllr Bob Pullin	Cllr Douglas Johnson; Cllr Pauline Andrews

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/Other
Planning Policy Advisory Group	(6 vacancies)	Cllrs Steve Ayris, David Baker and Roger Davison	Cllr Douglas Johnson
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
Portfolio Joint Consultat	ive Committees:-		
Communities	(1 vacancy)		
Place	(1 vacancy)		
Children, Young People and Families	Cllr Jackie Drayton		
Resources	Cllr Olivia Blake		
Sheffield Conservation Advisory Group	(1 vacancy)	Cllr Roger Davison	
South Yorkshire Joint Au	Ithorities:-		
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority (5)	Cllrs Tony Damms, Mohammad Maroof, Chris Rosling-Josephs and Jackie Satur	Cllr Steve Ayris	
South Yorkshire Pensions Authority (5)	Cllrs Kieran Harpham, Talib Hussain, Ian Saunders and Zoe Sykes	Cllr Andrew Sangar	
Joint Bodies (Number of	Places)		
South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel (4)	Cllrs Robert Johnson, Abdul Khayum and Helen Mirfin- Boukouris	Cllr Joe Otten	

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/Other
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority (1)	Cllr Julie Dore; (Substitute Cllr - vacancy)		
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Transport Committee (5)	Cllrs Andy Bainbridge, Jack Scott and Garry Weatherall (1 vacancy)	Cllr Ian Auckland	
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Scrutiny Committee (3)	Clirs Alan Law and Ian Saunders	Cllr Shaffaq Mohammed	
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Audit Committee (3)	Cllrs Neale Gibson and George Lindars- Hammond	Cllr Shaffaq Mohammed	
Emergency Planning Shared Services Joint Committee (2)	Cllrs Bryan Lodge and Jack Scott		
Other External Organisat	ions (Number of Places)	
Charities/Educational Fo	undations:-		
Anne Reresby Trust, High Green (1)	Cllr Andy Bainbridge		
Church Burgess (1)	(1 vacancy)		
The Bradfield Feoffee Educational Foundation Charity (1)	(1 vacancy)		
Norton Educational Foundation and Non- Educational Trusts (2)	Mr. Roy Munn	Cllr Sue Auckland	Mr. Greg Adams, Mrs Beverley Ashmore and Mr. Phillip Shaddock
Poors Land (Ecclesall Bierlow Charity) (2)	Cllr Peter Price	Cllr Shaffaq Mohammed	Mr. John Neil and Mr. Mike Pye
Beighton Relief in Need Charity (1)	Cllr Ian Saunders		
ACIS Local Management Committee (2)	Cllrs Terry Fox and Dianne Hurst		
Together Trust Housing Board (2)	Cllr Bob Johnson (1 vacancy)		

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Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 – Local Access Forum (2)	Cllr Peter Price	(1 vacancy)	
Creative Sheffield Board (1)	(1 vacancy)		
Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme (1)	Cllr Alan Law		
Environment Agency – Yorkshire Regional Flood and Coastal Committee (1)	Cllr Tony Downing		
Football Association Trust (1)	(1 vacancy)		
Great Places Housing Group (2)	Cllrs Pat Midgley and Jackie Satur		
Groundwork Sheffield Trust (2)	Cllr Lewis Dagnall	Cllr Ian Auckland	
Joint Advisory Committee for the South Yorkshire Archaeology Service (2)	Cllr Ian Saunders	(1 vacancy)	
Learning Disabilities Partnership Board (2)	Cllr Cate McDonald	(1 vacancy)	
Learn Sheffield (1)	Cllr Michelle Cook		
Local Enterprise Partnership (1)	Cllr Julie Dore		
Local Government Yorkshire and Humber Employers Committee (1)	Cllr Olivia Blake		
Longley Park Sixth Form College (1)	Cllr Alan Law		
Manor and Castle Development Trust (2)	Cllrs Terry Fox and Pat Midgley		

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Mental Health Partnership Board (2)	Cllr Cate McDonald	Cllr Andy Nash	
National Association of British Market Authorities (1)	Cllr Chris Rosling- Josephs		
National Coal Mining Museum for England – Liaison Committee (1)	Cllr Terry Fox		
Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London (PATROL) Joint Committee (1)	Cllr Tony Downing		
Parkwood Landfill Liaison Group (4)	Cllr Tony Downing (2 vacancies)	(1 vacancy)	
Peak District National Park Planning Authority (1)	Cllr Alan Law		
Reserve and Cadet Forces Association – Yorkshire and Humber (1)	Cllr Tony Damms		
Robin Hood Airport Joint Consultative Committee (1)	Cllr Ian Saunders		
Seven Hills Leisure Trust (1)	Cllr Neale Gibson		
Sheffield City Trust Group Finances and General Purposes Committee (1)	Cllr Neale Gibson		
Sheffield Adult Safeguarding Partnership (SASP) Board (1)	Cllr Cate McDonald		
Sheffield Business Adviser Panel (2)	Cllrs Julie Dore and Mazher Iqbal		
Sheffield Carers and Young Carers Board (1)	Cllr Olivia Blake		

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Sheffield City Trust (1 Member observer)	Cllr David Barker		
Sheffield Clean Air Partnership (2)	Cllr Tony Downing	(1 vacancy)	
Sheffield Compact (1)	Cllr Jack Scott		
Sheffield Co-Operative Development Board (1)	(1 vacancy)		
Sheffield Executive Board (1)	Cllr Julie Dore		
Sheffield 0-19+ Partnership Board (2)	Cllr Jackie Drayton	Cllr Steve Ayris	
Sheffield 0-19+ Executive Board (1)	Cllr Jackie Drayton		
Sheffield Galleries and Museums Trust – Directors and Members (3)	Cllrs Dianne Hurst and Peter Rippon		Mr Neil MacDonald
Sheffield Health and Social Care Foundation Trust - Council of Governors (3)	Cllrs Adam Hurst and Josie Paszek	Cllr Bob Pullin	
Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (1)	Cllr Mary Lea		
Sheffield Industrial Museums Trust – Directors and Members (3)	Cllr Lisa Banes		Vivian Kenneth Lockwood and Geoff Smith
Sheffield International Venues Ltd – Board of Directors (1)	Cllr Alan Law		
Sheffield Lyceum Theatre Trust Ltd – Directors and Members (3)	Cllrs Josie Paszek and Peter Rippon		Veronica Hardstaff
Sheffield Media and Exhibition Centre Ltd – Directors and Members (1)	Cllr Mike Drabble		

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/Other
Sheffield Money Board (1)	Cllr Lewis Dagnall		
Sheffield Safer and Sustainable Communities Partnership (2)	Cllr Jayne Dunn	Cllr Steve Ayris	
Sheffield Tobacco Control Programme Accountable Board (2)	Cllr Tony Downing	(1 vacancy)	
Sheffield Theatres Trust – Directors and Members (3)	Cllrs Mike Drabble and Pat Midgley		Mr Tim Rippon
Sheffield Waterways Strategy Group (1)	Cllr Tony Downing		
Sanctuary Housing Local Board (2)	Cllrs Dawn Dale and Peter Price		
South East Sheffield Eco Advisory Group (formerly South East Sheffield Countryside Advisory Group) (1)	(1 vacancy)		
South Yorkshire Forest Partnership Steering Group (1)	(1 vacancy)		
South Yorkshire Joint Advisory Committee on Archives (2)	Cllr Ian Saunders	(1 vacancy)	
South Yorkshire Leaders' Group (1)	Cllr Julie Dore		
South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Users' Advisory Group (1)	Cllr Tony Downing		
South Yorkshire Trading Standards Joint Committee (2 and 1 observer)	Cllr Chris Rosling- Josephs (1 observer vacancy)	(1 vacancy)	
Southey/Owlerton Area Regeneration Board (4)	Cllrs Mark Jones, Abdul Khayum and Peter Price (1 vacancy)		

Title/Post	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green/UKIP/Other
Special Interest Group of Municipal Authorities (1)	Cllr Ben Curran		
Transport 4 All (2)	Cllr George Lindars- Hammond	Cllr Ian Auckland	
University Technical College Trust Board (1)	(1 vacancy)		
Upperthorpe and Netherthorpe Healthy Living Centre Trust (1)	Cllr Neale Gibson		
Voluntary Action Sheffield (1)	Cllr Adam Hurst		
Yorkshire Ambulance Service Trust (1)	Cllr Cate McDonald		
Yorkshire and Humber Regional Migration Partnership (1)	Cllr Jack Scott		
Yorkshire and Humber Grid for Learning Consortium Joint Committee (1)	Cllr Ian Saunders		
Yorkshire and the Humber Tobacco Governance Board (1)	Cllr Tony Downing		
University of Sheffield Enterprise Advisory Board (1)	(1 vacancy)		

9. ARRANGEMENTS FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS IN 2017-18

- 9.1 It was formally moved by Councillor Peter Rippon, and formally seconded by Councillor Michelle Cook, that:-
 - (a) the issues relating to Full Council meetings, as outlined in the report circulated with the agenda for this meeting, be noted;
 - (b) a Member Working Group be established, comprising representatives of all political groups on the Council, to plan and prepare (i) (A) the implementation of changes relating to the issues outlined at paragraphs 5.2 and 5.3 of the report with effect from the meeting of Council in September 2017 and (B) the review and evaluation of those changes and

(ii) proposals relating to a wider review of democratic engagement to be conducted over the coming Municipal Year;

- (c) the Member Working Group be required to submit an interim report to the meeting of Council in July 2017;
- (d) authority be delegated to the Director of Legal and Governance, in consultation with the Member Working Group, to make any necessary changes to the Council's Constitution and Procedural Rules; and
- (e) subject to the outcome of the work of the Member Working Group, (i) ordinary meetings of Full Council in the Municipal Year 2017/18 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 April 2018 (when the meeting will be held instead on Wednesday 28th March 2018 in order to avoid a clash with the Easter Bank Holidays that will be held in the first week of April), and that the provisional date of 7 June 2017 be not confirmed in view of the General Election on 8 June 2017 and the meeting falling within the PERP (Pre-Election Rules on Publicity) period, and, accordingly, the meetings be held on the following dates:-

5th July 2017; 6th September 2017; 4th October 2017; 1st November 2017; 6th December 2017; 3rd January 2018; 7th February 2018; and 28th March 2018; plus the provisional dates of 6th June 2018 and 4th July 2018 in the Municipal Year 2018/19;

(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 2018/19 be held on Wednesday, 7th March 2018 at 2.00 p.m. in the Town Hall;

(iii) the annual general meeting of the Council in 2018 be held on Wednesday, 16th May 2018 at 11.30 a.m. in the Town Hall; and

(iv) 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 2017/18 shall be as follows:-

<u>July 2017</u> - Labour/LibDem/Labour/LibDem/Green/UKIP, repeated

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9.2 Whereupon it was moved by Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed, and seconded by Councillor Sue Alston, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion of paragraph (d) and the addition of a new paragraph (d) as follows:-

(d) the final recommendations by the Member Working Group be brought back to a meeting of Full Council for approval before any changes are made to the Council's Constitution and Procedural Rules.

- 9.3 On being put to the vote, the amendment was negatived.
- 9.4 It was then formally moved by Councillor Douglas Johnson, and formally seconded by Councillor Robert Murphy, as an amendment, that the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion of paragraph (d) and the re-lettering of paragraph (e) as a new paragraph (d).
- 9.5 On being put to the vote, the amendment was negatived.
- 9.6 The original Motion was then put to the vote and carried as follows:-

RESOLVED: That:-

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<u>April</u> (28 March) -

Labour/Labour/LibDem/Labour/Labour/LibDem/Green/UKIP, repeated.

9.6.1 (NOTE: Councillors Andy Nash, Bob Pullin, Richard Shaw, Douglas Johnson, Robert Murphy, Adam Hanrahan, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Roger Davison, Shaffaq Mohammed, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Sue Auckland, Steve Ayris, Gail Smith, Alison Teal, David Baker, Penny Baker, Jack Clarkson and Keith Davis voted for paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (e) of the Motion and voted against paragraph (d) of the Motion, and asked for this to be recorded.)

10. TRIBUTES TO FORMER COUNCILLOR FREDA WHITE

- 10.1 The Lord Mayor (Councillor Anne Murphy) reported with sadness, the death on 12th May 2017 of former Councillor Freda White, who had served as a Member of the Council from 1994 to 1998 and as Lady Mayoress in 1998/99.
- 10.2 Members of the Council observed a minute's silence in her memory and several Members paid tribute to former Councillor White.

11. VOTE OF THANKS TO FORMER COUNCILLOR LEIGH BRAMALL

- 11.1 Members of the Council paid tribute to former Councillor Leigh Bramall who had resigned as a Member of the Council on 20th March 2017 to return to a career in communications. Mr. Bramall had served on the Council since June 2004. In addition to serving as a Cabinet Adviser, a Shadow Cabinet Spokesperson, and a Scrutiny Committee Chair, Mr. Bramall had served as a member of the Cabinet for the past 6 years and as Deputy Leader of the Council since March 2015.
- 11.2 It was **RESOLVED:** that this Council places on record its thanks and appreciation to former Councillor Leigh Bramall for his hard work and service to the City of Sheffield.

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