

EASTLEIGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 27 May 2021 at 7:00 pm

PRESENT:

The Mayor, Councillor Garton (Chair); Councillors Tennent, Airey, Allingham, Asman, Bicknell, Bourne, Broadhurst, Campbell, Corben, Craig, Cross, Dean, Duguid, Garton, Gomer, Grajewski, Groves, Holes, House, Irish, Jurd, Kyrle, Mann, Manning, Parker-Jones, Pragnell, Pretty, Rushton, Tidridge, Tyson-Payne, Broomfield, Buckley, Kinloch and Park

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bearder, Clarke, Doguie, Marsh and Rich

86. WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting. It was agreed that Standing Order 11.2, Member to Stand, be waived due to the current Government guidelines.

87. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Gomer declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 7 as he is an employee of Southampton University. Part of the modification related to the playing fields on Wide Lane.

Councillor Grajewski declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 7 as she is a director of Solent Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP).

88. MINUTES

**RESOLVED -**

**That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2021 be agreed as a correct record.**

89. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone who was involved in the success of the AGM Meeting.

The Mayor attended her first engagement as Mayor and visited Highbridge Farm for the opening of the Eastleigh Gurkha and Nepalese Association's polytunnel. The Association has been providing food banks with fresh produce over the past year.

Volunteers Week takes place from 31 May to 6 June. Over the last year the contributions of the volunteers have made an enormous difference to

our communities. The Mayor looks forward to meeting many of them during her Mayoral year and also looks forward to meeting the Borough's Local Heroes. The deadline for nominations is 6 June.

This year's Mayors Charity appeal will be in aid of the Mountbatten Hampshire hospice in West End, who do wonderful work and now rely solely on donations - and also the Remembrance Avenue currently under construction at Itchen Valley Country Park.

#### 90. LEADER'S REPORT

The Leader reported on a number of recent events:

- Thanked all staff involved in the setup of in-person meetings.
- Executive Heads had been appointed and would work to support the Corporate Directors. It was announced that Tom Andrews had been appointed as Chief Accountant to lead the Financial Services Team. Charlotte Hall had been appointed as the Creative Director at The Point and Berry Theatre.
- Eastleigh Borough Council had become an accredited Living Wage Employer.
- The Café at The Point has re-opened, the Parkrun at Fleming Park and Itchen Valley Country Park would restart next month and Hedge End Market has reopened.
- A video of the Tree Nursery was played. Cabinet had recently agreed a draft tree policy for consultation, strengthening enforcement and a zero tolerance on Tree Preservation Orders.

#### 91. RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING CALL-INS) REQUIRING DECISION

Recommendations from Committees were dealt with at the relevant agenda items.

#### 92. EASTLEIGH BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN (2016 - 2036): MODIFICATIONS FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consideration was given to a report by the Planning Policy Senior Specialist detailing the modifications for public consultation of the Eastleigh Borough Local Plan (2016-2036).

#### **RESOLVED –**

#### **That Council:**

- (1) Approved the Inspector's proposed Main Modifications to the Local Plan for public consultation (Appendix 1);**
- (2) Approved the proposed Additional Modifications to the Local Plan for public consultation (Appendix 2);**

- (3) Approved the proposed modifications to the Policies Map for public consultation (Appendix 3); and**
- (4) Delegated authority to the Planning Policy Senior Specialist in consultation with the Leader of the Council to make any minor changes to the Additional Modifications and Policies Map as may be necessary prior to public consultation.**

(NOTES: One Member of the Public and a member of Allbrook Parish Council, speaking in a personal capacity, spoke and raised concerns in respect of plans remaining online for the Local Plan causing difficulty with a house sale and settlement gaps.)

The meeting finished at 8:06 pm  
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