MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

28th September 2017

At a Special Meeting of Rugby Borough Council held on 28th September 2017.

The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Garcia), Councillors Mrs A'Barrow, Allen, Mrs Avis, Brader, Mrs Bragg, Brown, Butlin, Cade, Mrs Crane, Cranham, Douglas, Miss Dumbleton, Ms Edwards, Ellis, Gillias, Leigh Hunt, Keeling, Miss Lawrence, Lewis, Mahoney, Mistry, Mrs Nash, Mrs New, Pacey-Day, Mrs Parker, Roberts, Mrs Roberts, Ms Robbins, Roodhouse, Mrs Roodhouse, Sandison, Dr Shera, Mrs Simpson-Vince, Srivastava, Stokes, Mrs Timms, Ms Watson-Merret and Dr Williams.

24. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received from Councillors Lowe, Mrs O'Rourke and Poole.

25. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of Council held on 18th July 2017 were approved and signed by the Mayor.

26. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor had represented the Council on 14 September 2017 at the annual 'Heart of England in Bloom' awards, which this year were held at Warwick castle. Rugby competed in the 'small city' category and was awarded gold for the tenth year in a row.

Rugby in Bloom involves volunteers, community groups, individuals and businesses from across the town, helping to make the most of our open spaces. The gold award is testament to their work. The Mayor thanked Chris Worman and the parks and open spaces team for their outstanding work creating spaces where people want to be. She also thanked Councillor Parker for her commitment to her portfolio.

On 21 September Councillor Timms attended the Coventry and Warwickshire Tourism and Culture Awards, held this year at Rugby's Coombe Abbey. The World Rugby Hall of Fame was shortlisted for the History and Heritage award, which is an outstanding achievement in its first year of operation. The Mayor informed Council that the Rugby Art Gallery and Museum was presented with the Family and Kids award. The Mayor thanked all of the Art Gallery and Museum team for the work they put in to their family activities. Councillor Timms was also thanked for collecting that award on behalf of the Council.

27. REPORT OF CABINET - 4th SEPTEMBER 2017

RESOLVED THAT - the report be confirmed and adopted.

28. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

(a) Approval of Accounts for 2016/17

Council considered the report of the Head of Corporate Services & Chief Financial Officer concerning the approval of accounts for 2016/17.

RESOLVED THAT - the 2016/17 Statement of Accounts be approved.

30. NOTICE OF MOTION PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 11

The Mayor considered it advisable and convenient to deal with the Notice of Motion set out at item 7 on the agenda at the meeting.

Councillor Sandison moved and Councillor Douglas seconded the following motion set out at item 7 of the agenda.

"The Council is asked to consider re-opening the former Stone Yard Cattle Market car park by seeking a temporary 3 year planning permission on this current development site.

This will alleviate considerable on street congestion for local residents, provide relief from all day parking within the locality from rail users and provide additional parking for the 2 doctors surgeries and pharmacy at the Rugby medical centre.

This will provide an additional revenue stream from car parking charges that would not otherwise be available to the council and help offset budget constraints because of the reduction in income from the new homes bonus."

Following discussion the Mayor put the Motion to the vote and declared it lost.

31. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

32. COMMON SEAL

It was moved by the Mayor, seconded by the Deputy Mayor and

RESOLVED THAT - the Common Seal be affixed to the various orders, deeds and documents to be made or entered into for carrying into effect the several decisions, matters and things approved by the Council and more particularly set out in the Panels and Committees reports adopted at this meeting.

33. MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC UNDER SECTION 100(A)(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

RESOLVED THAT - under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

34. PRIVATE REPORT OF CABINET - 4th SEPTEMBER 2017

RESOLVED THAT - the report be confirmed and adopted.

35. PRIVATE REPORT OF OFFICERS

(a) Acquisition of New Council Houses to Rent.

Council considered the private report of the Head of Communities & Homes concerning the acquisition of new council houses for rent.

RESOLVED THAT - the recommendation in the report be approved.

MAYOR