

HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING
19TH NOVEMBER 2015

Present: Councillors: Tricia Youtan (Chairman), Christian Mitchell (Vice-Chairman), John Bailey, Andrew Baldwin, John Blackall, Toni Bradnum, Alan Britten, Karen Burgess, Peter Burgess, John Chidlow, Jonathan Chowen, Philip Circus, Paul Clarke, Roger Clarke, David Coldwell, Roy Cornell, Christine Costin, Leonard Crosbie, Jonathan Dancer, Ray Dawe, Brian Donnelly, Matthew French, Tony Hogben, Nigel Jupp, Liz Kitchen, Adrian Lee, Gordon Lindsay, Tim Lloyd, Paul Marshall, Mike Morgan, Josh Murphy, Godfrey Newman, Brian O'Connell, Connor Relleen, Stuart Ritchie, Kate Rowbottom, Jim Sanson, David Skipp, Ben Staines,
Simon Torn, Claire Vickers, Michael Willett

Apologies: Councillor: Ian Howard, David Jenkins

Before the meeting commenced, Members of the Council observed a minute's silence as a mark of respect for the victims of the tragedy in Paris. The Chairman had written letters of condolence to the President of France, the Mayor of Paris and also Horsham's twinning town – St Maixent l'Ecole

CO/48 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

CO/49 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman of the Council:

- Announced that Jan English, Work Experience and Employability Officer, had recently won a public service award, presented by the Chairman at the Capitol Theatre, for helping 300 people find employment through the Journey to Work programme.

The Cabinet Member for Leisure and Culture reported that Dinosaur Island at Southwater Country Park had received a Green Apple Environment award at a presentation ceremony on 16th November 2015.

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Public Protection paid tribute to the Council's housing officers who had recorded the lowest number of people in Bed and Breakfast accommodation since 2010.

TO RECEIVE THE REPORT ON THE ADOPTION OF THE HORSHAM DISTRICT PLANNING FRAMEWORK

Three members of the public spoke against the adoption of the Horsham District Planning Framework (HDPF).

In addition, five parish councils spoke in support of the HDPF and two parish councils spoke against and one commented.

The Cabinet Member for Planning and Development presented the report on the adoption of the Horsham District Planning Framework.

The proposed HDPF had been subject to many stages of consultation and examination had been completed, the Inspector had found the Framework to be sound. The Cabinet Member explained that the Council was obliged to have a plan in place, which would enable it to make planning decisions in line with government regulations and guidance. The HDPF would provide certainty in shaping the future of our District.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendations set out in the report be approved.

In accordance with Rule 16.5 of Part 4A of the Council's Constitution, it was requested that the vote be recorded.

The voting was as follows:

FOR THE ADOPTION

Councillors: John Blackall, John Chidlow, Jonathan Chowen, Philip Circus, Paul Clarke, Roger Clarke, David Coldwell, Roy Cornell, Ray Dawe, Brian Donnelly, Matthew French, Nigel Jupp, Adrian Lee, Gordon Lindsay, Timothy Lloyd, Paul Marshall, Mike Morgan, Brian O'Connell, Stuart Ritchie, Kate Rowbottom, Jim Sanson, Ben Staines, Claire Vickers, Michael Willett.

AGAINST THE ADOPTION

Councillors: John Bailey, Andrew Baldwin, Alan Britten, Karen Burgess, Peter Burgess, Christine Costin, Leonard Crosbie, Jonathan Dancer, Anthony Hogben, Liz Kitchen, Christian Mitchell, Josh Murphy, Godfrey Newman, Conor Relleen, David Skipp, Simon Torn.

ABSTAINED

Councillors: Toni Bradnum, Tricia Youtan.

CO/50 To Receive the Report on the Adoption of the Horsham District Planning Framework (cont.)

The motion was declared CARRIED and it was:

RESOLVED

- (i) That the Horsham District Planning Framework (the HDPF) be adopted, as amended by the Schedule of Modifications recommended by the Inspector, with effect from 27 November 2015 to form part of the Development Plan for the district thereby superseding the Core Strategy, 2007 and General Development Control Policies, 2007 documents.
- (ii) That the Horsham District Planning Framework (the HDPF) be published together with the relevant adoption statements, Policies Maps and final Sustainability Appraisal Report and that they be made available in accordance with the required regulations.
- (iii) That the Cabinet Member for Planning and Development be authorised to agree any minor editorial corrections and clarifications prior to the final publication of the adopted Horsham District Planning Framework document.
- (iv) That the policies contained in the Core Strategy 2007 and the General Development Control Policies 2007 be saved for the purposes of determining planning applications in the South Downs National Park area, until such time as the South Downs National Park Authority Local Plan is adopted.

REASON

To provide an up to date Development Plan to shape the future of development within the District.

CO/47 **URGENT MATTERS**

There were no urgent matters to be considered.

The meeting closed at 8.28pm having commenced at 6.00pm.

CHAIRMAN