

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF SPECIAL COUNCIL

21 JUNE 2017

PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Garcia), Councillors 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, Lowe, Mistry, Mrs Nash, Mrs New, Pacey-Day, Mrs Parker, Poole, Ms Robbins, Roberts, Mrs Roberts, Roodhouse, Mrs Roodhouse, Sandison, Mrs Simpson-Vince, Srivastava, Stokes, Mrs Timms, Ms Watson-Merret and Dr Williams.

8. SEAN LAWSON, HEAD OF ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC REALM

The Mayor announced that Sean Lawson, Head of Environment and Public Realm, had passed away tragically at the end of May. Sean would be sadly missed by both Councillors and officers. All Members of the Council, officers and members of the public stood in a minute's silence in Sean's memory.

9. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received from Councillors Mrs A'Barrow, Mahoney, Mrs O'Rourke and Shera.

10. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item 3 of Part 1- Rugby Borough Local Plan – Submission of the Publication Draft Local Plan – Councillor Douglas (non-pecuniary interest as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors by virtue of his employment as Policy Officer at Property Mark).

Item 3 of Part 1- Rugby Borough Local Plan – Submission of the Publication Draft Local Plan – Councillors Butlin, Roberts, Roodhouse, Mrs Simpson-Vince, and Mrs Timms (non-pecuniary interest as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors by virtue of being Warwickshire County Councillors).

Item 3 of Part 1- Rugby Borough Local Plan – Submission of the Publication Draft Local Plan – Councillor Leigh Hunt (non-pecuniary interest as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors by virtue of being an employee of Warwickshire County Councillor).

11. RUGBY BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN – SUBMISSION OF THE PUBLICATION DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

Council considered the report of the Executive Director (Part 1 – agenda item 3) concerning the proposed submission of the Publication Draft Local Plan.

Councillor Timms and Councillor Stokes seconded the recommendation as set out in the report.

Councillor Mrs Crane then moved and Councillor Leigh Hunt seconded that:

“This Council should:

- i. remove policy DS10 and all related references from the Local Plan;
- ii. update any evidence and the Sustainability Appraisal as necessary to account for this change; and
- iii. allow for any further consultation necessary to ensure compliance with the relevant regulations of the Town and Country Planning Acts.”

Further to discussion, 3 members requested a recorded vote under Standing Order 3A Paragraph 15.4 on each proposed amendment.

For the motion:

Councillors Cade, Mrs Crane, Douglas, Miss Dumbleton, Gillias, Leigh Hunt, Keeling, Lewis, Mrs Nash, Mrs New, Pacey-Day, Mrs Parker, Mrs Roberts, Roberts, Roodhouse, Mrs Roodhouse, Sandison and Stokes – **18 votes**

Against the motion:

Councillors Allen, Mrs Avis, Brader, Mrs Bragg, Brown, Butlin, Cranham, Ms Edwards, Ellis, Mrs Garcia, Miss Lawrence, Lowe, Mistry, Poole, Ms Robbins, Mrs Simpson-Vince, Srivastava, Mrs Timms, Ms Watson-Merret and Dr Williams – **20 votes**

The Mayor declared the amendment lost.

Councillor Sandison moved and Councillor Roodhouse seconded the following amendment:

“This Council consults upon the impacts of the traffic modelling study which has only been put in the public domain on Friday 16th June 2017 .This study has significant impacts on existing transport networks. We believe this is justified so that local communities can respond to this new information and that all findings should be sent directly to the Secretary of State.”

Following discussion, a recorded vote was taken.

For the motion:

Councillors Brader, Brown, Douglas, Miss Dumbleton, Ms Edwards, Lewis, Mistry, Mrs Nash, Mrs New, Mrs Parker, Roodhouse, Mrs Roodhouse, Sandison, Srivastava – **14 votes**

Against the motion:

Councillors Allen, Mrs Avis, Butlin, Cade, Cranham, Ellis, Mrs Garcia, Gillias, Miss Lawrence, Lowe, Poole, Ms Robbins, Mrs Simpson-Vince, Stokes, Mrs Timms, Ms Watson-Merret and Dr Williams – **17 votes**

Absentions from voting:

Councillors Mrs Bragg, Mrs Crane, Leigh Hunt, Keeling, Pacey-Day, Mrs Roberts, Roberts – **7 votes**

The Mayor declared the amendment lost.

Further to discussion, Councillor Mistry moved and Councillor Brader seconded that:

“Policy H2: Affordable Housing be amended to read:

On previously developed sites a target affordable housing provision of 30% be sought. On greenfield sites a target minimum housing provision of 40% will be sought.”

For the motion:

Councillors Mrs Avis, Brader, Brown, Douglas, Miss Dumbleton, Ms Edwards, Lewis, Mistry, Mrs Nash, Mrs New, Roodhouse, Mrs Roodhouse, Sandison and Srivastava – **14 votes**

Against the motion:

Councillors Allen, Mrs Bragg, Butlin, Cade, Cranham, Ellis, Mrs Garcia, Gillias, Keeling, Miss Lawrence, Lowe, Mrs Parker, Poole, Ms Robbins, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Simpson-Vince, Stokes, Mrs Timms and Dr Williams – **19 votes**

Abstentions from voting:

Councillors Mrs Crane, Leigh Hunt, Pacey-Day, Roberts and Ms Watson-Merret – **5 votes**

The Mayor declared the amendment lost.

The Mayor then put the substantive motion to the vote. 3 members requested a recorded vote under Standing Order 3A Paragraph 15.4.

For the motion:

Councillors Allen, Mrs Avis, Brader, Mrs Bragg, Brown, Butlin, Cranham, Ms Edwards, Ellis, Mrs Garcia, Gillias, Leigh Hunt, Keeling, Miss Lawrence, Lowe, Mistry, Pacey-Day, Poole, Ms Robbins, Mrs Simpson-Vince, Srivastava, Stokes, Mrs Timms, Ms Watson-Merret and Dr Williams – **25 votes**

Against the motion:

Councillors Cade, Mrs Crane, Douglas, Miss Dumbleton, Lewis, Mrs Nash, Mrs New, Mrs Parker, Mrs Roberts, Roberts, Roodhouse, Mrs Roodhouse and Sandison – **13 votes.**

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

RESOLVED THAT -

(1) the Submission of the Local Plan as drafted to the Secretary of State for Examination in Public be approved; and

(2) delegated authority be given to the Planning Services Working Party and Head of Growth and Investment as outlined at paragraph 3.14 and 7.10 of this report.

12. REVISION OF THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (LDS) WORK PROGRAMME

Council considered the report of the Executive Director (Part 1 – agenda item 4) concerning a revised Local Development Scheme work programme.

RESOLVED THAT – the revised Local Development Scheme be approved.

MAYOR