

## **Cherwell District Council**

### **Council**

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA, on 30 January 2012 at 6.30 pm

Present: Councillor Timothy Hallchurch MBE (Chairman)  
Councillor Colin Clarke (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Ken Atack  
Councillor Alyas Ahmed  
Councillor Andrew Beere  
Councillor Maurice Billington  
Councillor Fred Blackwell  
Councillor Norman Bolster  
Councillor Ann Bonner  
Councillor Margaret Cullip  
Councillor John Donaldson  
Councillor Mrs Diana Edwards  
Councillor Tim Emptage  
Councillor Michael Gibbard  
Councillor Chris Heath  
Councillor David Hughes  
Councillor Russell Hurle  
Councillor Tony Ilott  
Councillor Mike Kerford-Byrnes  
Councillor James Macnamara  
Councillor Melanie Magee  
Councillor Kieron Mallon  
Councillor Nigel Morris  
Councillor P A O'Sullivan  
Councillor George Parish  
Councillor D M Pickford  
Councillor Lynn Pratt  
Councillor Neil Prestidge  
Councillor G A Reynolds  
Councillor Alaric Rose  
Councillor Daniel Sames  
Councillor Leslie F Sibley  
Councillor Trevor Stevens  
Councillor Lawrie Stratford  
Councillor Rose Stratford  
Councillor Lynda Thirzie Smart  
Councillor Patricia Tompson  
Councillor Martin Weir  
Councillor Douglas Williamson  
Councillor Barry Wood

Apologies for Councillor Rick Atkinson  
Councillor Patrick Cartledge

absence: Councillor Andrew Fulljames  
Councillor Mrs Catherine Fulljames  
Councillor Simon Holland  
Councillor Alastair Milne Home  
Councillor Victoria Irvine  
Councillor Nicholas Mawer  
Councillor Nicholas Turner  
Councillor Douglas Webb

Officers: Sue Smith, Chief Executive  
Calvin Bell, Director of Development  
Ian Davies, Director of Community and Environment  
Martin Henry, Director of Resources / Section 151 Officer  
Kevin Lane, Head of Law and Governance / Monitoring Officer  
Natasha Clark, Team Leader, Democratic and Elections

66 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

67 **Communications**

**Former Councillor Eric Heath**

The Chairman paid tribute to former Councillor Eric Heath who had passed away on 10 December 2011. Eric was a member of the Council for 11 years, from 1999 to 2010, representing the Bloxham and Bodicote Ward, and had been Chairman of the Council between 2004 and 2006. He was a very active Councillor who contributed a great deal to the work of the Council and dedication to the community he represented.

The meeting held a minutes silence in memory of former Councillor Heath following which tributes were paid by Councillor Wood on behalf of the Conservative Group, Councillor Sibley on behalf of the Labour Group and Councillor Emptage on behalf of the Liberal Democrat Group.

**Chairman's Annual Dinner**

The Chairman's Annual Dinner would take place on Friday 13 April at Tythe Barn, Bicester, in aid of ABF The Soldiers Charity and The Spires Cleft Centre. Formal invitations would be circulated in due course.

68 **Petitions and Requests to Address the Meeting**

There were no petitions or requests to address the meeting.

69 **Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.

70 **Minutes of Council**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2011 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

71 **Minutes**

a) **Minutes of the Executive, Lead Member Decisions and Executive Decisions made under Special Urgency**

**Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Executive and Lead Member decisions as set out in the Minute Book be received and that it be noted that since the last meeting of Council, no Executive decisions had been taken that was subject to the special urgency provisions of the Constitution.

b) **Minutes of Committees**

**Resolved**

That the minutes of Committees as set out in the Minute Book be received.

72 **Questions**

a) **Written Questions**

There were no written questions.

b) **Questions to the Leader of the Council**

Questions were asked and answers received in the following issues:

HS2 and the CDC expenditure on opposing the project: Councillor Emptage

Individual Elector Registration: Councillor Beere

Provisions for dealing with emergency flooding: Councillor Williamson

Changes to housing benefit and implications for Cherwell: Councillor Rose

c) **Questions to Committee Chairmen on the minutes**

There were no questions to the Committee Chairman on minutes.

73 **Motions**

There were no motions.

74 **Ordnance Survey Ward Names**

The Chief Executive submitted a report which updated Members on the Ordnance Survey ward names for Cherwell and to seek agreement to forward our proposals to Ordnance Survey for inclusion in their next update.

**Resolved**

- (1) That the proposed ward and "local" names within Cherwell be agreed (as set out as an annex to the Minutes in the Minute Book).

75 **Calendar of Meetings 2012/13**

The Head of Law and Governance submitted a report which sought consideration of the calendar of meetings for 2012/13.

**Resolved**

- (1) That the calendar of meetings 2012/13 be agreed (as set out as an annex to the Minutes in the Minute Book).

The meeting ended at 7.00 pm

Chairman:

Date: