

Decision Summary

Committee: Annual Council
Date: 23 May 2007
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1. To elect the Mayor for the ensuing year

To note.

Decision: Councillor Jean Calvert was elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

2. To appoint a Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year

To note.

Decision: Councillor Karam Hussain was appointed Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

3. To approve as a correct record and authorise the signing of the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 21 March 2007

Please see detailed report.

Decision: The Minutes were agreed as a correct record.

4. Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive

To note.

(Please see detailed report)

Decision: There were no announcements made at the meeting.

5. To receive any apologies for absence from Elected Members

To note.

Decision: An apology for absence was received from Councillor Jackie Grunsell.

6. Constitution of Kirklees Metropolitan Council

To consider and determine amendments to the Constitution of Kirklees Metropolitan Council.

(a) Report of the Solicitor to the Council headed ' Amendments to the Structure of the Standards Committee'

(b) Report of the Solicitor to the Council headed 'Review of the Council's Constitution'

(c) Report of the Director of Finance headed 'Revisions to Contract Procedure Rules and Financial Procedure Rules.'

(d) Report of the Members Allowances Independent Review Panel of 30 March 2007 and approval of the Members Allowances Scheme for 2007/08.

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Decision: See 7,8,9 and 10.

7. Report of the Solicitor to the Council headed Amendments to the Structure of the Standards Committee

(Report herewith)

Decision: (1) That the recommendations of the Panel of Councillors that Messrs Marshall, Binns and Jacklin be appointed as external Members of the Standards Committee with Mr Marshall being appointed to the role of Chair be approved and adopted.

(2) That the Solicitor to the Council be authorised to consult those 3 individuals and determine which appointment should be on the basis of a 4 year initial term, or failing that a 2 year initial term.

8. Report of the Solicitor to the Council headed Review of the Council's Constitution

To note.

- Decision:**
- (1) That the amendments to the Constitution set out or referred to in the report at item (b), as modified by the recommendations to Council from the Council Business Committee, be approved and adopted subject to a further amendment that the additional Overview and Scrutiny Panel should give consideration to Health Inequalities Issues.
 - (2) That the Solicitor to the Council or nominee and Head of Policy and Governance be authorised to finalise and implement the drafting required to give effect to the amendments.
 - (3) That, in relation to the Officer Delegation Scheme regarding Regeneration Matters, the Planning and Highways Committee be requested to give further consideration to paragraphs 6.1 to 6.5 and paragraph 7.1.

9. A report of the Director Finance 'Revisions to Contract Procedure Rules and Financial Procedure Rules'

To determine.

- Decision:**
- That amendments to Contract Procedure Rules referred to in the report at item 6 (c) circulated previously be approved and adopted and that the Director of Finance be authorised to finalise an implement in the draft required to give affect of the amendments.

10. A report of the Members Allowances Independent Review Panel of 30 March 2007 and approval of the revised Members Allowances Scheme for 2007/08.

To determine.

- Decision:**
- (1) That the Independent Review Panel be thanked for their report.
 - (2) That the recommendations for the Independent Review Panel be approved and adopted.
 - (3) That the revised Members Allowances Scheme for 2007/08 circulated at item 6(d) of the Council Agenda be approved and adopted and be implemented with affect from 23 May 2007.

11. To approve the dates and times for ordinary meetings of the Council for the Municipal Year 2007/08 as proposed by Council Business Committee on 8 March 2007

To determine.

Decision: That Ordinary meetings of the Council be held on.

27 June 2007
26 September 2007
5 December 2007
23 January 2008
19 March 2008

That Budget Council be held on 27 February 2008.

That the Annual meeting of the Council be held on 21 May 2008 (provisional)

12. To Provide an Opportunity for Group Leaders to outline their Groups Approach to the Formation to the Administration for 2007/08 Municipal Year.

To note.

Decision: Councillors Mehboob Khan, Robert Light, Kath Pinnock and Andrew Cooper spoke on this item

13. To Elect the Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2007/08

To determine.

Decision: Councillor Robert Light was elected Leader of the Council.

14. To determine for the Municipal Year 2007/08

The number of Members to be appointed to the Cabinet, to approve their portfolios and appoint Members thereto and appoint one Member to be Deputy Leader of the Council.

Decision: The following Members were appointed to the Cabinet with the Portfolios indicated. Councillor J Dodds was appointed Deputy Leader of the Council for 2007/08 Municipal Year:

Councillor Light - Leader of the Council
Councillor A Palfreeman - Corporate Services and Governance Portfolio
Councillor D Hall - Finance and Business Services Portfolio
Councillor E Smaje - Leisure and Neighbourhood Services Portfolio
Councillor K Iqbal - Safer and Stronger Communities Portfolio
Councillor M Bates - Health and Adult Services Portfolio
Councillor J Dodds - Children Services Portfolio
Councillor M Bolt - Transportation and Green Services Portfolio
Councillor K Sims - Regeneration Portfolio

15. To Determine for the Municipal Year 2007/08

The Committees of the Council.

Decision: AGREED - That the Committees of the Council for the ensuring Municipal Year be established, as set out in the report circulated at item 10 (b) of the Council Agenda.

16. To Determine for the Municipal Year 2007/08

Allocation of seats on Committees to any Political Groups formed under the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 or any substituted regulation under the allocation of seats to any Members of the Council why not any Members of the Structural Political Groups.

Decision: AGREED -
(1) That the requirements of section 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 should not apply to the Audit Committee, Council Business Committee, Personnel Committee, Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee, Area Committees Advisory Committee and the Corporate Parenting Panel.

(2) That the number and proportions of Members Committees of and Panels to be in accordance with the schedule marked 10 (c) circulated at the meeting.

17. To determine for the Municipal Year 2007/08

The dates and times of meetings of Cabinet, Cabinet Committees, and other Committees and Appeals Panels.

Decision: That the dates and times of meetings be in accordance with the schedule marked 10 (d) circulated at the meeting.

18. To determine for the Municipal Year 2007/08

The Council Member of the Board of Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing and the Council Member of the Kirklees Active Leisure nominated to reply to oral questions at Council meetings upon any service provided by these organisations (Council Procedure Rule 12) (3) refers.

Decision: That consideration of this item be deferred.

19. To determine for the Municipal Year 2007/08

The Membership of the Committees, Panels in accordance with nominations from Group Business Managers and the ratio of the Panel of Substitute Members for each Political Group.

Decision: See additional report.

20. To determine for the Municipal Year 2007/08

The appointment of representatives to other Committees, outside bodies etc except where appointment to those bodies had been delegated by the Council or is exercisable only by the Cabinet.

Decision:

- (1) That the appointments to joint authorities as outlined in the report circulated item 10 (g) be approved.
- (2) That Group Business Managers forward names of the Members to be appointed to the joint Committees to the Head of Policy and Governance Service.
- (3) That the information supplied in respect of the Police Authority be noted.
- (4) That schedules (i) and (ii) as attached to the report considered at Agenda item 10 (g) be referred to the Council Business Committee for determination of representatives for 2007/08, schedule 3 to continue being the subject of consultation with Area Committees to put forward nominations for subsequent ratification by the Council Business Committee.

21. To Appoint the Chairs and if considered appropriate the Deputy Chairs of the Following Committees etc. for the Municipal Year 2007/08

That the Chairs as indicated be appointed for the 2007/08 Municipal Year.

Decision: Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee - Cllr Walton
Standards Committee - Mr P Marshall
Council Business Committee - Cllr D Firth
Planning and Highways Committee - Cllr A Pinnock
Licensing and Safety Committee - Cllr C Iredale
Personnel Committee - Cllr Light
Area Committees Advisory Committee - Cllr E Firth
Area Committee - Batley - Cllr Pandor
Area Committee - Birstall and Birkenshaw - Cllr Smaje
Area Committee - Colne Valley - Cllr Turner
Area Committee - Denby Dale - Cllr Ward
Area Committee - Dewsbury - Cllr E Firth
Area Committee - Holme Valley North - Cllr Rogers
Area Committee - Holme Valley South - Cllr Patrick
Area Committee - Huddersfield North - Cllr Harris
Area Committee - Huddersfield South - Cllr R Batty
Area Committee - Kirkburton - Cllr Murphy
Area Committee - Mirfield - Cllr Lees
Area Committee - Spen Valley - Cllr A Pinnock
Appeals Panel - Cllr Taylor
Audit Committee - Cllr Walton
Corporate Parenting Panel - Cllr Dodds