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## **COUNCIL**

### **KIRKLEES COUNCIL**

**At the Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Kirklees held at  
Main Hall - Town Hall, Huddersfield on Wednesday 8 September 2021**

### **PRESENT**

**The Mayor (Councillor Nigel Patrick) in the Chair**

### **COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Masood Ahmed	Councillor Mahmood Akhtar
Councillor Karen Allison	Councillor Bill Armer
Councillor Timothy Bamford	Councillor Donna Bellamy
Councillor Martyn Bolt	Councillor Cahal Burke
Councillor Aafaq Butt	Councillor Andrew Cooper
Councillor Paola Antonia Davies	Councillor Paul Davies
Councillor Eric Firth	Councillor Charles Greaves
Councillor Adam Gregg	Councillor David Hall
Councillor Steve Hall	Councillor Erin Hill
Councillor James Homewood	Councillor Mumtaz Hussain
Councillor Yusra Hussain	Councillor Robert Iredale
Councillor Manisha Roma Kaushik	Councillor Viv Kendrick
Councillor Musarrat Khan	Councillor John Lawson
Councillor Vivien Lees-Hamilton	Councillor Susan Lee-Richards
Councillor Fazila Loonat	Councillor Gwen Lowe
Councillor Aleks Lukic	Councillor Andrew Marchington
Councillor Naheed Mather	Councillor Peter McBride
Councillor Matthew McLoughlin	Councillor Alison Munro
Councillor Darren O'Donovan	Councillor Shabir Pandor
Councillor Carole Pattison	Councillor Mussarat Pervaiz
Councillor Amanda Pinnock	Councillor Andrew Pinnock
Councillor Jackie Ramsay	Councillor Elizabeth Reynolds
Councillor Cathy Scott	Councillor Joshua Sheard
Councillor Will Simpson	Councillor Elizabeth Smaje
Councillor Anthony Smith	Councillor Richard Smith
Councillor Mohan Sokhal	Councillor Melanie Stephen
Councillor John Taylor	Councillor Mark Thompson
Councillor Sheikh Ullah	Councillor Harpreet Uppal
Councillor Lesley Warner	Councillor Michael Watson
Councillor Habiban Zaman	

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### 37 **Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive**

The Mayor conveyed thanks to Members of the Council for invitations to local events and advised that he would welcome further invitations for the mayoral diary. Members were also reminded of the Mayor's Civic Dinner event which would be taking place on 5 October 2021.

Council received tributes to former Heckmondwike Ward Councillor, Tim Crowther, who had recently passed away. Tributes were paid by Councillors Pandor, Lukic, Bolt, S Hall and Butt.

The Strategic Director for Corporate Strategy, Commissioning and Public Health (present on behalf of the Chief Executive), invited Councillor Pattison to make a statement to Council in regards to the Afghanistan resettlement programme and the role of the Council in helping those affected following recent events.

### 38 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Dad, D Firth, Holmes, Lyons, McGuin, K Pinnock, Sarwar, K Taylor and White.

### 39 **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**RESOLVED** – That the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 July 2021 be approved as a correct record.

### 40 **Declaration of Interests**

Councillor J Taylor declared an 'other' interest in Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that he is an Alternate Director (Council representative) at Suez Recycling Ltd.

### 41 **Petitions (From Members of the Council)**

Councillor Burke submitted a petition with regards to tree planting at Longwood Edge, requesting that Council owned land at Longwood Edge fields be retained for such use.

Councillor Munro submitted a petition which requested road improvement resurfacing works to be carried out at Fenay Bankside.

The Mayor advised that, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9(3), the petitions be referred to the appropriate Service Director for investigation.

### 42 **Deputations & Petitions (From Members of the Public)**

Council received deputations from Leah Stuart, Heather Peacock and Hannah Longbottom with regards to the impact of the A629 (Phase 5) road widening scheme, and was advised of an online petition titled 'Save Edgerton's Iconic Trees'.

Council received a petition, submitted by Julie Whittaker, which requested that West Yorkshire Casualty Prevention Partnership install fixed speed cameras along A653 Leeds Road Dewsbury between Shaw Cross junction and Woodkirk Post Office.

**43 Public Question Time**

Council received questions from;

- (i) Keith Mallinson in regards to highway issues on new housing developments.

A response was provided by the Cabinet Member for Housing and Democracy (Councillor Scott)

- (ii) Greg Christoffe in regards to car parking restrictions in Holmfirth Town Centre.

A response was provided by the Cabinet Member for Regeneration (Councillor McBride)

- (iii) Leah Stuart, pursuant to her earlier deputation, requesting a meeting with the Cabinet Portfolio Holder.

A response was provided by the Cabinet Member for Regeneration (Councillor McBride)

**44 West Yorkshire Combined Authority - Minutes**

**RESOLVED** – That the Minutes of the Meeting of West Yorkshire Combined Authority held on 24 June 2021 be received and noted.

**45 Key Discussion - Covid 19 Recovery**

Council held a key discussion debate on Covid 19 recovery.

**46 Resources and Waste Strategy 2021-2030 (Reference from Cabinet)**

It was moved by Councillor Mather, seconded by Councillor Simpson, and

**RESOLVED** - That the Resources and Waste Strategy 2021-2030 be adopted.

**47 Financial Outturn Report 2020/21, including Revenue, Capital and Housing Revenue Account Outturn Position and Annual Report on Treasury Management (Reference from Cabinet)**

It was moved by Councillor P Davies, seconded by Councillor Pandor, and

**RESOLVED** –

- 1) That, in regards to General Fund, (i) the revenue outturn position for 2020/2021, including Covid-19 impacts, be noted (ii) the year end position on corporate reserves and balances including Covid-19 impacts be noted (iii) the proposed use of pre-existing reserves be reaffirmed and the proposed use of new reserves, as set out in section 1.9 of the report, be endorsed (iv) regular monitoring and review of corporate reserves in 2021/2022 be reported to Cabinet as part of the quarterly financial monitoring cycle and (v) the use of the Council's flexible receipts strategy for year end capitalisation of £2.3m transformation related costs in 2020/2021 be noted.
- 2) That the year end position on the Collection Fund including Covid-19 impacts be noted.

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- 3) That the Housing Revenue Account revenue outturn and reserves position 2021/2022 be noted.
- 4) That, in regards to Capital, (i) the outturn position 2020-2021 be noted (ii) approval be given to £26.9m capital rollover from 2020-2021 to 2021-2022 (iii) approval be given to the revised capital plan for the period 2021-2026, having taken into account rollover, the re-phasing of schemes and changes to grant assumptions.
- 5) That the review of treasury management activity for 2020/2021 be noted.

### 48 **Committee System Proposal**

It was moved by Councillor Y Hussain, seconded by Councillor J Taylor, and

**RESOLVED** - That Corporate Governance and Audit Committee be asked to determine the next steps of the proposal, in accordance with the Local Government Association's key issues, as set out in paragraph 2 of the considered report.

(During the consideration of this item, it was moved by Councillor Bolt and seconded by Councillor Lukic that, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16(2), the meeting not be terminated at 9pm in order to enable further debate upon this item. The motion, upon being put to the vote, was not carried.)

### 49 **Written Questions to the Leader, Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees and Nominated Spokespersons**

Item not considered (due to time constraints).

### 50 **Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to Mayoral Precept**

Item not considered (due to time constraints).