



CITY OF WESTMINSTER

MINUTES

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – WEDNESDAY 20 OCTOBER 2010

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Purposes Committee** held on Wednesday 20 October 2010 at Westminster City Hall, 64 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6QP

Members Present: Councillors Melvyn Caplan (Chairman), David Boothroyd, Robert Davis, Tony Devenish, Alastair Moss and Tim Mitchell.

Apologies for Absence: Councillor Ian Adams.

1. MEMBERSHIP

- 1.1 The Committee noted that apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Ian Adams.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

- 2.1 There were no declarations of interests.

3. MINUTES

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2010 be approved for signature by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

4. REVIEW OF CONSTITUTION (see report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services)

Resolved: That the Council be recommended to approve the changes set out in the report at paragraph 3.5 and in Appendix A subject to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services being authorised to make minor drafting changes in consultation with the Chairman prior to the report's submission to the full Council meeting.

5. CITY COUNCIL'S PETITION SCHEME (see report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services)

Resolved:

That the Council, on 3 November 2010, be recommended:

To approve the e-petition element of the revised City of Westminster Petition Scheme (as attached at Appendix A to this report and shown in italics) to come into operation from 15 December 2010.

That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to make any minor drafting amendments in order to clarify any aspect of the petition scheme in consultation with the Chairman of the General Purposes Committee.

6. PROGRAMME OF MEETING 2011/12 (see report of Head of Legal and Democratic Services)

Resolved:

1. That the Council be recommended to approve the programme for Council Meetings for the 2010/11 Municipal Year, as follows:

20 July 2011, 2 November 2011, 25 January 2012, 7 March 2012 (Council Tax), 25 April 2012 and 16 May 2012 (Annual).

2. That the Programme of Meetings in respect of Committees/Sub-Committees set out in Appendix A be approved subject to the General Purposes Committee being held on 18 October 2010 and the Bayswater Area Forum dates being adjusted to avoid Mondays.

7. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting ended at 6.45pm

CHAIRMAN _____

DATE _____