



City of Westminster

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Title: **Annual Council Meeting**

Meeting Date: **Wednesday 18th May, 2016**

Time: **7.00 pm**

Venue: **Porchester Hall, Porchester Road, Bayswater, London W2 5DU**

Members: **All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting for the transaction of the business set out.**

**Admission to the public gallery is available from 6.30pm.**

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**City of Westminster**

## Annual Council Report

<b>Date:</b>	<b>18 May 2016</b>
<b>Classification:</b>	<b>For General Release</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Constitutional Issues</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Chief Executive</b>
<b>Wards Involved:</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>
<b>Policy Context:</b>	<b>Management of the Council</b>
<b>Financial Summary:</b>	<b>There are no financial implications</b>
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### **1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1 The Council is required to determine the allocation of places on standing committees to political groups in accordance with the proportionality rules (except in relation to the Licensing Committee). Members of Committees and Sub-Committees are appointed by the Chief Executive in accordance with the wishes of the political groups following a notification process provided that, save in the case of the Licensing Committee, the appointments are in accordance with the proportionality rules. Those committees which will need to will meet on the rising of the Annual Council Meeting to determine the allocation of places on their Sub-Committees. The names of the Members appointed to Committees and Sub-Committees is set out in Appendix A.
- 1.2 The Leader of the Council is responsible for the appointment of Cabinet Members and for the allocation of duties (terms of reference). The Cabinet Members as appointed by the Leader and their terms of reference are unchanged and these are set out in the Council's Constitution. The Leader of the Council has indicated that for the purposes of this report there are no changes to the Cabinet.
- 1.3 Provision has been made for an additional Planning Applications Committee to be established. This is reflected in recommendation 2.1 together with the resultant changes to the Members Allowances Scheme. See paragraph 3.7 below.

## 2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Council determine the allocation of places on the following standing committees and notes the names of the Members appointed to them (including any changes), following notification by the respective Party Whips, as set out below and detailed in Appendix A.
- 2.2 That the Council confirm the proportional division of seats on the Standing Committees including the establishment of an additional Planning Applications Committee with the same terms of reference as Planning Applications Committees (1) to (4) as shown in column 3 of Appendix A as set out below:

Committee	Members	Proportionality	
		Con	Labour
Audit and Performance	4	3	1
General Purposes	4	3	1
Westminster Scrutiny Commission	6	4	2
Children, Sport and Leisure * P&S	8	6	2
Adults, Health and Public Protection P&S	8	6	2
Environment and Customer Services P&S	8	6	2
Housing, Finance and Corporate Services P&S	8	6	2
Standards	6	4	2
Pension Fund	4	3	1
Planning (1)	4	3	1
Planning (2)	4	3	1
Planning (3)	4	3	1
Planning (4)	4	3	1
Planning (5)	4	3	1
	76	56	20

\* In addition there are 4 Co-opted Members with voting rights

- 2.3 That the Members Allowances Scheme be amended as set out in paragraph 3.7 below.

## 3. Background

- 3.1 The Council is required, under the Local Government & Housing Act 1989 (ss. 15-17) and the Regulations made under that Act, to comply with political balance rules when appointing 'Ordinary' Committees (i.e. committees appointed under Sections 101 and 102 of the Local Government Act 1972).

3.2. The Rules provide that seats on 'Ordinary' Committees must be allocated in line with the following principles in order of precedence:

(a) That not all seats on a body are allocated to the same political group.

(b) That the majority of seats on the body are allocated to a political group, which has a majority of the Council's membership.

(c) That, subject to principles (a) and (b) above, the total number of seats across all the ordinary Committees shall be allocated to each political group in the proportion of their size on the Council as a whole.

(d) That, subject to principles (a) to (c) above, seats on each individual body shall be allocated to each political group in the same proportion as to their size on the Council as a whole.

3.3. Principle (d) (but not principles (a), (b) or (c)) also applies to sub-committees and advisory committees.

3.4. The political balance of the authority (60 councillors) is as follows:

Conservative	44 councillors = (73.33%)
Labour	16 councillors = (26.67%)

3.5. The proportion by which seats on Committees should be allocated is 73.33% Majority Group and 26.67% Minority Group. This equates with rounding on the basis of 76 committee seats, to 56 Majority Party and 20 Minority Party. These figures reflect the proposal to establish an additional Planning Applications Committee.

3.6. Membership of the Council's Standing Committees (except the Licensing Committee/Sub-Committee) and Sub-Committees is governed by Standing Order 28 which, in accordance with the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, as amended, provides for Members of Standing Committees and Sub-Committees to be those whose names have been notified by the duly appointed party group officer to the Chief Executive, who is the duly appointed proper officer for these purposes. The Chief Executive has delegated power to appoint to all Standing Committees (except the Licensing Committee) and their Sub-Committees in accordance with any notification received under the Regulations.

3.7. Both political groups on the Council are required to notify the Chief Executive of the names of the Members allocated a seat on the Standing Committees, Sub-Committees and subsidiary bodies. It is for the Council to note the Committee memberships as set out in Appendix A to this report and for the Committees in due course to note their Sub-Committee memberships. In addition, the Standing Committees will, at a meeting held on the rising of the Annual Council Meeting where necessary, be asked to note the proportionality of Members on

their Sub-Committees and also to elect a new Chairman where they have been nominated.

- 3.5 The names and their terms of reference as notified by the Leader of the Council of Cabinet Members are unchanged from those previously reported and are set out in the Council's Constitution.
- 3.6 The proposal to establish an additional Planning Applications Committee reflects the need to share the burden of the increasing number of applications which require detailed Committee consideration. Whilst some recent Planning Committees have seen low numbers many over the last few years have seen increasingly complex reports which require consideration of, eg EIAs or viability assessments, etc. The Council consistently receives more than 12,500 applications a year compared to 10,000 five years ago and subsequently more cases go to Planning Committees. All the Planning reports, including the representations, have to be carefully read over the weekend by the Committee Members in advance of the meeting on the following Tuesday. With Members occasionally substituting for other Planning Committees they can often lose two weekends in a month to carry out their Planning duties. There is also an increasing number of Members who are interested in becoming part of the planning decisions process. If we are going to increase the number of cases going to Committee establishing a further Planning Applications Committee would ensure the rota for Members is evenly spread. This is reflected in recommendation 2.1 above.
- 3.7 The Council, if it wishes to pay allowances, must adopt a scheme with effect from 1 April each year. The Council, on 2 March 2016, approved the Members Allowances Scheme for 2016/17. The Council may amend the scheme at any time but must have regard to the views of the Independent Panel. Further to the recommendation to establish an additional Planning Applications Committee it is recommended that the Council approve the following amendment to the Members Allowances Scheme, the changes proposed are consistent with the adopted scheme :

Delete: Provision for Vice-Chairmen of Policy and Scrutiny Committees to receive a Special Responsibility Allowance of £2,000 each (save £8,000). Provision for a nominated Majority Party member and a Minority Party member as a reserve on Planning to receive a Special Responsibility Allowance of £2,000 each (Save £4,000).

Add: Provision for an additional Planning Committee Chairman to receive a Special Responsibility Allowance of £4,000. Provision for 3 additional Planning Application Committee members to receive a Special Responsibility Allowance of £2,000 each (£6,000).

#### **4. Legal Implications**

4.1 The Legal implications are contained within the report.

#### **5. Financial Implications**

5.1 Subject to the changes to the Members Allowances Scheme being adopted, there are no financial implications arising from this report as the costs can be met from within the existing budget provision.

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**Background Papers:** There are no background papers

#### **Appendices**

Appendix A – List of Committee/Memberships

## Appendix A

### WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

Committee	Constitution	Proportionality		Membership
		Con	Lab	
Audit and Performance	4	3	1	(C) Conservative (L) Labour (CH) Chairman (V.CH) Vice-Chairman (N) Nominated  Jonathan Glanz (CH) (C) David Boothroyd (L) Lindsey Hall (VCH) (C) Judith Warner (C)
General Purposes	4	3	1	Tim Mitchell (CH) (C) David Boothroyd (L) Melvyn Caplan (C) Robert Davis (V.CH) (C)
Pension Fund Committee	4	3	1	Suhail Rahuja (CH) (C) Antonia Cox (C) Patricia McAllister (L) Ian Rowley (C)



## WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

### POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

Committee	Constitution	Proportionality		Membership
		Con	Lab	
				(N) Nominated (C) Conservative (L) Labour (CH) Chairman
Westminster Scrutiny Commission	6	4	2	Andrew Smith (C) Ian Adams (C) Brian Connell (C) Antonia Cox (C) Adam Hug (L) Barrie Taylor (L)
Adults, Health and Public Protection	8	6	2	Antonia Cox (CH) (C) Barbara Arzymanow (C) Paul Church (C) Patricia McAllister (L) Jan Prendergast (C) Glenys Roberts (C) Ian Rowley (C) Barrie Taylor (L)
<b>NB:</b> The Urgency Sub-Committee membership of the Adults, Health and Public Protection P&S Committee will be determined as necessary on a proportional split of 2:1				
Environment	8	6	2	Ian Adams (CH) (C) Julia Alexander (C) Tom Crockett (C) Paul Dimoldenberg (L) Louise Hyams (C) Karen Scarborough (C) Cameron Thomson (C) Jason Williams (L)
Children, Sports & Leisure	8	6	2	Andrew Smith (Ch) (C) Iain Bott (C) Rita Begum (L) Peter Cuthbertson (C) Nick Evans (C) Aicha Less (L) Adnan Mohammed (C) Robert Rigby (C)

## WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

### POLICY AND SCRUTINY/COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

Committee	Constitution	Proportionality		Membership (N) Nominated (C) Conservative (L) Labour (CH) Chairman
		Con	Lab	
Housing, Finance and Corporate Services	8	6	2	Brian Connell (CH) (C) Barbara Arzymanow (C) Adam Hug (L) Peter Freeman (C) Richard Holloway (C) Gotz Mohindra (C) Tim Roca (L) Jacqui Wilkinson (C)
Standards Committee	6 Members	4	2	Ian Adams (C) David Boothroyd (L) Ruth Bush (L) Brian Connell (C) Louise Hyams (C) Judith Warner (CH) (C)
* Licensing Committee	15	11	4	Nickie Aiken (CH) (C) (Ch Sub) Heather Acton (C) Rita Begum (L) Susie Burbridge (C) Melvyn Caplan (CH) (Sub) (C) Nick Evans (C) JP Floru (Ch) (Sub) (C) Peter Freeman (C) Murad Gassanly (L) Angela Harvey (CH) (Sub) (C) Louise Hyams (C) Tim Mitchell (CH) (Sub) (C) Jan Prendergast (C) Shamin Talukder (L) Aziz Toki (L)
NB: The Licensing Urgency Sub-Committee membership is to be:  Cllrs Nickie Aiken (C) (Ch) Melvyn Caplan (C) Aziz Toki (L)  or such other Members of the Licensing Committee appointed by the Chief Executive in accordance with his delegated authority.				

The membership of the Licensing Sub-Committees (3 Members) are drawn from the list of Licensing Committee Members and appointed by the Chief Executive in accordance with his delegated authority.

## WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

### COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS RELATING TO PLANNING

Committee	Constitution	Proportionality		Membership (C) Conservative (L) Labour (CH) Chairman (N) Nominated
		Con	Lab	
Planning Applications (1)	4	3	1	Robert Davis (Ch) (C) David Boothroyd (L) Susie Burbridge (C) Tim Mitchell (C)
Planning Applications (2)	4	3	1	Peter Freeman (Ch) (C) Ruth Bush (L) Melvyn Caplan (C) Paul Church (C)
Planning Applications (3)	4	3	1	Andrew Smith (Ch) (C) Barbara Grahame (L) Louise Hyams (C) Robert Rigby (C)
Planning Applications (4)	4	3	1	Tony Devenish (Ch) (C) Jonathan Glanz (C) Angela Harvey (C) Jason Williams (L)
Planning Applications (5)	4	3	1	Richard Beddoe (NCh) (C) Iain Bott (C) Gotz Mohindra (C) Tim Roca (L)
City Planning Sub- Committee	5	4	1	Peter Freeman (Ch) (C) David Boothroyd (L) Tony Devenish (C) Jonathan Glanz (C) Andrew Smith (C)

**WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL**

**SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS RELATING TO THE GENERAL PURPOSES  
COMMITTEE**

Committee	Constitution	Proportionality		Membership
		Con	Lab	
Urgency	3	2	1	(C) Conservative (L) Labour (CH) Chairman Tim Mitchell (Ch) (C) David Boothroyd (L) Robert Davis (VCH) (C)
Education (Awards) Appeals	4	3	1	Danny Chalkley (C) (Ch) Brian Connell (C) Barbara Grahame (L) Suhail Rahuja (C)

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### SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS RELATING TO THE AUDIT & PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

Committee	Constitution	Proportionality		Membership
		Con	Lab	
Urgency	3	2	1	Jonathan Glanz (Ch) (C) David Boothroyd (L) Lindsey Hall (C)
Appointments	4	3	1	Philippa Roe (Ch) (C) Robert Davis (C) Adam Hug (L) Tim Mitchell (C)
Staff Appeals	3	2	1	Angela Harvey (CH) (C) Tim Mitchell (C) Guthrie McKie (L)

**WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL**

**ADVISORY PANELS REPORTING TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE  
AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

Committee	Constitution	Proportionality		Membership (C) Conservative (L) Labour (CH) Chairman
		Con	Lab	
Council and Staff Joint Consultation Committee *	5	4	1	Tim Mitchell (C) Heather Acton (C) Angela Harvey (C) Guthrie McKie (L) Rachael Robathan (C)
Rating Panel *	4	3	1	Jonathan Glanz (CH) (C) Patricia McAllister (L) Jacqui Wilkinson (C) Judith Warner (C)
Discretionary Housing Payments Panel *	4	3	1	Jan Prendergast (CH) (C) Barbara Arzymanow (C) Susie Burbidge (C) Ruth Bush (L) Murad Gassanly (L) Lindsey Hall (C)
				Membership drawn from this panel

\* Proportionality Rules do not apply



City of Westminster

# Committee Agenda

Title:

**Adults, Health and Public Protection Policy and Scrutiny Committee**

**Audit and Performance Committee**

**General Purposes Committee**

**Pension Fund Committee**

**Planning Applications Committee (1)**

**Planning Applications Committee (5)**

Meeting Date:

**Wednesday 18 May 2016**

Time

**On the rising of the Annual Council Meeting**

Venue

**Porchester Hall, Porchester Road, Bayswater,  
London, W2 5DU**

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Members:

**See list of Memberships attached to report item 8 of the Annual Council Agenda**



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## **AGENDA (PART 1)**

**Members are reminded that this meeting will be conducted by the Chief Executive in accordance with Standing Order 2(4).**

### **1. MEMBERSHIP**

To note the Membership of the Committees as listed in Appendix A of the report Constitutional Matters Item 4 on the Annual Council Agenda.

### **2. CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS FOR STANDING COMMITTEES**

Report of the Chief Executive attached.

**Charlie Parker  
Chief Executive  
13 May 2016**





## City of Westminster

# Joint Report to Committees

**Date:** 18 May 2016

**Classification:** For General Release

**Title:** Constitutional Matters for Standing Committees

**Report of:** The Chief Executive

**Wards Involved:** Not applicable

**Policy Context:** Management of the Council

**Financial Summary:** None

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## 1. Summary

- 1.1 This report is submitted to allow the relevant Committees to appoint, where necessary, a Chairman and to review the proportional division of seats on their respective Sub-Committees. Details of these are set out in the specific recommendations addressed to each of the Committees referred to below.
- 1.2 The procedures for this meeting are set out in Standing Order 2 (4), which allows for the all the recommendations before the Committees to be taken together and for the meeting to be conducted by the Chief Executive.

## 2. Recommendations

### Adults, Health and Public Protection Policy and Scrutiny Committee

1. That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committee listed below:

Sub-Committee	Members	Proportionality	
		Cons	Labour
Health Urgency	3	2	1

### **Audit and Performance Committee**

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committees listed below:

<b>Sub-Committees</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Proportionality</b>	
		<b>Cons</b>	<b>Labour</b>
Audit and Performance Urgency	3	2	1
Appointments	4	3	1
Staff Appeals	3	2	1

### **General Purposes Committee**

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committees listed below:

<b>Sub-Committee</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Proportionality</b>	
		<b>Cons</b>	<b>Labour</b>
General Purposes Urgency	3	2	1
Education (Awards) Appeals	4	3	1

### **Pension Fund Committee**

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committee listed below:

<b>Sub-Committee</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Proportionality</b>	
		<b>Cons</b>	<b>Labour</b>
Pension Fund Urgency	3	2	1

### **Planning Applications Committee (1)**

That the Committee confirm the proportional division of seats on the Sub-Committee listed below:

<b>Sub-Committee</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Proportionality</b>	
		<b>Cons</b>	<b>Labour</b>
City Plan	5	4	1

### **Planning Applications Committee (5)**

That the Committee, if established, appoint a Chairman. The Leader has nominated Councillor Richard Beddoe.

#### **3. Background Information**

- 3.1 Under statutory regulations, Committees are required to review at least annually the proportional division of seats on their Sub-Committees. This applies to all Sub-Committees including those of the regulatory Committees and to the formal Sub-Committees of Policy and Scrutiny Committees. Memberships will be notified to the next meeting of the relevant Sub-Committee and are also set out as Appendix A to the report (agenda item 4) on the Council agenda.
- 3.2 In accordance with the Council's Standing Orders the Leader has the power to nominate Chairmen to Committees. The Committee then determines to adopt the nomination to appoint an alternative Member of the Committee.

#### **4. Legal Implications**

- 4.1 The proportional allocation of Sub-Committee places set out in this report conforms to the Proportionality Rules more fully referred to in the report, Item 4, to the Annual Council meeting.

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#### **Background Papers**

- Constitution

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# CITY OF WESTMINSTER

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At the Meeting of the Council of the City of Westminster held at 7.00 pm on Wednesday 27th April, 2016 at Porchester Hall, Porchester Road, Bayswater, London W2 5DU.

### PRESENT

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Christabel Flight

### COUNCILLORS

Heather Acton	Lindsey Hall
Ian Adams	Angela Harvey
Nickie Aiken	David Harvey
Julia Alexander	Richard Holloway
Barbara Arzymanow	Adam Hug
Daniel Astaire	Louise Hyams
Richard Beddoe	Patricia McAllister
Rita Begum	Guthrie McKie
David Boothroyd	Tim Mitchell
Iain Bott	Adnan Mohammed
Susie Burbridge	Gotz Mohindra
Ruth Bush	Papya Qureshi
Melvyn Caplan	Suhail Rahuja
Danny Chalkley	Robert Rigby
Paul Church	Rachael Robathan
Brian Connell	Glenys Roberts
Antonia Cox	Philippa Roe
Robert Davis, MBE, DL	Ian Rowley
Tony Devenish	Karen Scarborough
Paul Dimoldenberg	Andrew Smith
Nick Evans	Steve Summers
Christabel Flight	Shamim Talukder
Jean Paul Floru	Barrie Taylor
Peter Freeman	Cameron Thomson
Murad Gassanly	Judith Warner
Jonathan Glanz	Jason Williams
Barbara Grahame	

## **1 APPOINTMENT OF RELIEF CHAIRMAN**

Motion, moved by the Lord Mayor and seconded by Councillor Tim Mitchell that Councillor Judith Warner be elected as Relief Chairman.

Motion put, and on a show of hands, declared **CARRIED**.

## **2 MINUTES**

The minutes of the proceedings at the Council meeting held on Wednesday 2 March 2016 were, with the assent of the Members present, signed by the Lord Mayor as a true record of the proceedings.

## **3 RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR VINCENZO RAMPULLA**

The Council noted the resignation of Councillor Vincenzo Rampulla.

## **4 LORD MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

- 4.1 The Lord Mayor reported that Hon Alderman Anne Mallinson had represented the Council at the funeral service of former Councillor Reg Watts. He had served as a Hyde Park Ward Councillor and as Deputy Lord Mayor in 1981-1982.
- 4.2 The Lord Mayor also welcomed John Quinn, the recently appointed Borough Director of Corporate Services to his first Council meeting.

## **5 VOTE OF THANKS**

- (a) **Vote of Thanks to the retiring Lord Mayor and Consort, Councillor The Lady Christabel Flight and the Lord Flight**

Motion moved by Councillor Robert Davis and seconded by Councillor Nickie Aiken that the full Council resolve to record a vote of thanks to Councillor The Lady Christabel Flight for the distinguished service rendered by her as Lord Mayor and for the Lord Flight constant and invaluable help given by him as the Lord Mayor's Consort.

We assure them of our gratitude for, and high appreciation of, the dignity and ability with which they have carried out their many duties in accordance with the highest traditions of the City and this Vote of Thanks be inscribed on Vellum under the Common Seal and presented to them.

Motion put and on a show of hands declared **CARRIED** following which the Lord Mayor replied.

**RESOLVED:** That we assure them of our gratitude for, and high appreciation of, the dignity and ability with which they have carried out their many duties in accordance with the highest traditions of the City and this Vote of Thanks be inscribed in Vellum under the Common Seal and presented to them.

## **6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

## **7 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS**

- 7.1 Councillor Lindsey Hall presented two petitions opposing the Cycle Superhighway Scheme in North London. These petitions were referred to the Executive Director for Growth, Planning and Housing for reporting to the Cabinet Member for Sustainability and Parking.

## **8 QUESTIONS**

The questions, supplementary questions and replies are included on the Council's website.

## **9 COUNCILLOR ISSUES**

### **(a) St James's Matters**

Councillor Louise Hyams spoke and Councillor Nickie Aiken replied.

### **(b) Planning to Protect: Safeguarding our Communities**

Councillor Richard Beddoe spoke and Councillor Robert Davis replied.

## **10 STATEMENT ON URGENT MATTERS**

There were no urgent matters.

## **11 FUTURE POLICY PLAN**

11. The meeting debated the item chosen for debate from the Future Policy Plan by the Majority Party.

### **Education**

The Majority Party had selected Item Number 44 on the Future Policy Plan: Education. The debate will be referred to the relevant Executive Director for consideration when reporting on the subject.

## **13 NOTICE OF MOTION**

The Minority Party had selected for debate the Notice of Motion as set out on the agenda. The Notice of Motion was moved by Councillor Guthrie McKie and seconded by Councillor Barbara Grahame.

Councillor Daniel Astaire moved and it was seconded by Councillor Susie Burbridge that the Notice of Motion be amended as follows:

Delete all after "This Council notes with regret, the continuing delays to the Futures Plan for Church Street. Phase 1 of the plan was voted on by residents and is" and add:

"an ambitious regeneration project to improve the quality and number of homes in the Church Street area as well as deliver community facilities, infrastructure and greening.

Whilst unfortunate, a number of factors have contributed to this delay, including delays caused by the discovery of infrastructure on site and the need to work around the requirements of utility companies, which has been lengthy and costly. Nevertheless, plans are ongoing. As a result of the regeneration to the area, the elderly residents of Penn House are to be rehoused into new 1 bedroomed self-contained flats, replacing outmoded bedsits. This will be at Lisson Arches and also provide much needed business space

Moving forward with the implementation and extension of the Futures Plan will involve a new phase of community engagement, in which residents and businesses will continue to have a voice in shaping the proposals. The Council is developing with its partners in the statutory and voluntary sectors further tools to engage with all stakeholders, including extending the membership of the Futures Steering Group and working closely with the Neighbourhood Forum.

During the current fiscal year planning consent will be sought for the new development at Luton Street where residents have had a strong voice in the design process and design has begun on the Green Spine running from Lisson Street to Fisherton Street. The team to deliver the Neighbourhood Keepers programme has been appointed and work has begun on further design work to accelerate the delivery of new homes. New homes have now been delivered in Orchardson Street, again where residents led the design process. Options are being considered for Cosway Street to deliver a significant number of new homes that benefit the community.

This is an ambitious, complex and lengthy programme that the Council is committed to delivering in partnership with residents. The engagement and project management team is well resourced and making progress on all outstanding projects.

We ask that the Full Council endorses the on-going commitment of resident engagement to supporting implementation of the regeneration work in Church Street which is a process requiring careful consideration of all options to ensure that we make best use of public money and that proper governance and transparency in decision making is in place with the relevant Cabinet Members."

During the course of his reply Councillor Guthrie McKie accepted the amendment moved by Councillor Astaire and seconded by Councillor Susie Burbridge.



The Lord Mayor put the Notice of Motion, as amended to the vote, and on a show of hands declared the Notice of Motion, as amended, to be **AGREED**.

**RESOLVED:** That this Council notes with regret the continuing delays to the Future Policy Plan for Church Street Phase 1 of the plan was voted on by residents and is an ambitious regeneration project to improve the quality and number of homes in the Church Street area as well as deliver community facilities, infrastructure and greening.

Whilst unfortunate, a number of factors have contributed to this delay, including delays caused by the discovery of infrastructure on site and the need to work around the requirements of utility companies, which has been lengthy and costly. Nevertheless, plans are ongoing. As a result of the regeneration to the area, the elderly residents of Penn House are to be rehoused into new 1 bedroomed self-contained flats, replacing outmoded bedsits. This will be at Lisson Arches and also provide much needed business space

Moving forward with the implementation and extension of the Futures Plan will involve a new phase of community engagement, in which residents and businesses will continue to have a voice in shaping the proposals. The Council is developing with its partners in the statutory and voluntary sectors further tools to engage with all stakeholders, including extending the membership of the Futures Steering Group and working closely with the Neighbourhood Forum.

During the current fiscal year planning consent will be sought for the new development at Luton Street where residents have had a strong voice in the design process and design has begun on the Green Spine running from Lisson Street to Fisherton Street. The team to deliver the Neighbourhood Keepers programme has been appointed and work has begun on further design work to accelerate the delivery of new homes. New homes have now been delivered in Orchardson Street, again where residents led the design process. Options are being considered for Cosway Street to deliver a significant number of new homes that benefit the community.

This is an ambitious, complex and lengthy programme that the Council is committed to delivering in partnership with residents. The engagement and project management team is well resourced and making progress on all outstanding projects.

We ask that the Full Council endorses the on-going commitment of resident engagement to supporting implementation of the regeneration work in Church Street which is a process requiring careful consideration of all options to ensure that we make best use of public money and that proper governance and transparency in decision making is in place with the relevant Cabinet Members.

## **15 TERMINATION OF MEETING**

The Lord Mayor put the remaining business to the vote in accordance with Standing Order 18.

**Special Policy Areas and Policies Map – Revision to the City Plan: Submission versions to the Secretary of State and Examination by an Independent Inspector –**

**Resolved:** That the recommendations of the Cabinet Member for Built Environment be adopted.

**The Council’s Petition Scheme:**

**Resolved:** That the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee be adopted.

**Audio Broadcasting of Council Meetings:**

**Resolved:** That the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee be adopted.

The Meeting ended at 9.29 pm

**CHAIRMAN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_