

Borough of Douglas

Town Hall,

Douglas,

29th January, 2014

At a SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 10.00 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of JANUARY, 2014, in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, within the TOWN HALL, at which Meeting the following Members were present, that is to say: -

The Mayor

COUNCILLOR MRS CAROL ELIZABETH MALARKEY, JP

Councillor

Mrs C.A. Corlett Mr C.L.H. Cain Mrs S.D.A. Hackman Mr G.J. Faragher (to 11.55am) Mr S.R. Pitts Mr W.M. Malarkey Mr D.J. Ashford, JP Mr R.H. McNicholl Mrs R. Chatel Mr J.E. Skinner Ms K. Angela Mr J. Joughin Mr D.W. Christian MBE, JP Mr S.C. Cain Mrs E.C. Quirk Mr E.A. Joyce

Apologies were submitted by Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts.

The Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Borough Treasurer and Borough Engineer and Surveyor were in attendance.

1. Papers before the Council

Members had before them:

- (1) Minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on Thursday, 16th January, 2014.
- Budget report and estimates of expenditure for the year commencing 1st April, 2014, incorporating amendments made by the respective Committees.

2. Executive Committee – 16th January 2013

Borough Rate 2014/2015

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in report of special meeting held on Friday, 16th January, 2014 and containing the recommendation;

'That in accordance with Section 11 of the Local Government Act 2006, a Borough Rate of **THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY-SEVEN PENCE** in the pound on the net annual value of all rateable property in the Borough be levied for the year ending 31st March, 2015.'

together with the associated Budget Report and Estimates be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

The Council resolved unanimously into Committee to consider the motion.

On resumption of proceedings in Council:

Amendment moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Mr Councillor W.M. Malarkey, "That £50,000 for the provision of Promenade outdoor fitness equipment (LS00074), deleted from the schedule by the Executive Committee, be reinstated in the 2014/15 budget."

Question put on Amendment. On division being challenged a vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Amendment: Messrs Councillors S.R. Pitts, G.J. Faragher, W.M. Malarkey - 3

Against: Councillors Mesdames C.A. Corlett, S.D.A. Hackman, Mr Councillor D.J. Ashford, Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, Messrs Councillors J. Joughin, D.W. Christian, E.A. Joyce, C.L.H. Cain, R.H. McNicholl, J.E. Skinner, Councillor Ms K. Angela, Mr Councillor S.C. Cain, Councillor Mrs E.C. Quirk, the Mayor – **14**

Amendment fell.

Amendment moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That £150,000 be added for 2016/17 year for the provision of a programme of enhancements in Noble's Park." The amendment did not receive a seconder.

Question put on Motion. On division being challenged, a vote was taken electronically and the Motion was approved unanimously.

3. Attendance

Mr Councillor G.J. Faragher left the meeting at 11.55am.

4. Borough Rate 2013/2014 – Press Statement

The Council unanimously authorised the issue of the usual press statement by the Town Clerk and Chief Executive in relation to the fixing of the Borough Rate.

The Council rose at 12.05pm.