

# **Borough of Douglas**

Town Hall,

Douglas,

8<sup>th</sup> February, 2017

At a MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 2.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of FEBRUARY, 2017, in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, within the TOWN HALL, at which Meeting the following Members were present, that is to say: -

## The Mayor

## MR COUNCILLOR JOHN EDWARD SKINNER, JP

## Councillor

Miss N.A. Byron	Mrs C.L. Wells
Mr S.R. Pitts	Mr C.L.H. Cain
Ms C.R. Turner	Miss D.A.M. Pitts
Mrs R. Chatel	Mr F. Horning
Mr I.J.G. Clague, MBE	Mr R.H. McNicholl
Mr J. Joughin	Ms K. Angela
Mr D.W. Christian, MBE, JP	Mrs E.C. Quirk
Ms C.E. Malarkey	Ms J. Thommeny

Apologies for absence were submitted by Mr Councillor F. Pabellan.

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Housing and Property and the Assistant Chief Officer (Environment) were in attendance.

#### 1. **Minutes – 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2017**

The minutes of the monthly Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, were approved and signed.

## 2. **Minutes – 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2017**

The minutes of the special Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, were approved and signed.

# 3. Executive Committee – 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2017

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

# 4. Eastern District Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee – 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2016

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Mr Councillor I.J.G. Clague, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Eastern District Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2016, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

# 5. Housing Committee – 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 – Clauses A1 to A6

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, seconded by Councillor Ms C.E. Malarkey, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to A6 inclusive of report of meeting held on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

# 6. Housing Committee – 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 – Clause C7

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, seconded by Councillor Ms C.E. Malarkey, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing Committee, as contained in Clause C7 of report of meeting held on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

## 7. Environmental Services Committee – 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2017

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Councillor Ms C.R. Turner, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Environmental Services Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

#### 8. Adjournment and Resumption

The meeting adjourned at 3.45pm and resumed at 4.00pm with the same Members and Officers present.

#### IN PRIVATE

## 9. Executive Committee – 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2017

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

#### 10. Adjournment and Resumption and Attendance

The meeting adjourned at 4.05pm and resumed at 5.00pm in private. During the interval the Council received a presentation from Mr D. Green, of Hymans Robertson (the Isle of Man Local Government Superannuation Scheme Actuary), in relation to the minutes of the special Pensions Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2017.

The Director of Housing and Property and the Assistant Chief Officer (Environment) left the meeting at 4.05pm.

#### 11. Pensions Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2017 – Clauses A1 to A3

Motion moved by Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, seconded by Councillor Ms C.R. Turner, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Pensions Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to A3 inclusive of private report of special meeting held on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2017, be received by the Council subject to the correction of a clerical error, Mr Councillor J. Joughin was present at the meeting, not Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts as printed."

Question put on Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and the Motion was carried unanimously.

Under the provisions of the Local government Act 1985, Mr Councillor I.J.G. Clague declared an interest in the item and retired whilst it was considered.

#### 12. Pensions Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2017 – Clauses C4 and C5

Motion moved by Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, seconded by Councillor Ms C.R. Turner, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Pensions Committee, as contained in Clauses C4 and C5 of private report of special meeting held on Wednesday, 1st February, 2017, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

Further Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, "That the Council consider the Motion in Committee."

Question put on further Motion to move into Committee, a vote was taken electronically and the Motion was carried unanimously.

On resumption of proceedings in Council:

During the debate the Mayor drew attention to the provision of Standing Order 9. Motion moved by Councillor Ms C.E. Malarkey, seconded by Councillor Ms K. Angela, "That the Council continue after 6.30pm to consider the outstanding business."

Question put on Motion to continue after 6.30pm; a vote was taken electronically, and there voted **For** the Motion, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Ms C.R. Turner, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr J. Joughin, Mr D.W. Christian, Ms C.E. Malarkey, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr C.L.H. Cain, Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr F. Horning, Mr R.H. McNicholl, Ms K. Angela, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny, the Mayor – **15** 

**Against:** Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts – 1

Amendment to original Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, "That the Motion be amended by the deletion of all words after "employer contribution" and the substitution therefore of "remain at the 2017 level for the year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 and thereafter increase by 1% on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 and a further 1% on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020, having considered triennial valuation ComPASS modelling results and amend the funding strategy accordingly."

Question put on amended Motion, a vote was taken electronically, and there voted **For** the amended Motion, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Mr S.R. Pitts, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr J. Joughin, Mr D.W. Christian, Ms C.E. Malarkey, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr C.L.H. Cain, Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr F. Horning, Mr R.H. McNicholl, Ms K. Angela, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny, the Mayor – **15** 

Against: Councillor Ms C.R. Turner - 1

Motion carried.

Under the provisions of the Local government Act 1985, Mr Councillor I.J.G. Clague declared an interest in the item and retired whilst it was considered.

The Council rose at 7.15pm.

Town Clerk & Chief Executive