



# Council

Town Hall  
Wallasey

2 July 2010

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Council to be held at **6.15 pm on Monday, 12 July 2010** in the Council Chamber, within the Town Hall, Wallasey, to take into consideration and determine upon the following subjects : -

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## AGENDA

### 1. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive the Mayor's announcements and any apologies for absence.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The members of the Council are invited to consider whether they have a personal or prejudicial interest in connection with any matter to be debated or determined at this meeting and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of such interest.

### 3. PETITIONS

To receive petitions submitted in accordance with Standing Order 21.

### 4. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 36)

To receive as a correct record the minutes of the meeting(s) of the Council held on 17 and 24 May, 2010.

**5. MATTERS REQUIRING APPROVAL BY THE COUNCIL (Pages 37 - 38)**

To consider matters referred to the Council for determination. The relevant minutes are attached; copies of the related reports can be provided for Council members on request.

(i) Minute 36 Cabinet (24/6/2010) Insurance Fund Annual Report

(ii) Minute 43 Cabinet (24/6/2010) Integrated Regeneration Study for Birkenhead and Wirral Waters

(iii) Indemnities for Members and Officers – To consider a report from the Director of Law, HR and Asset Management (report to follow)

**6. MATTERS FOR NOTING (Pages 39 - 40)**

The following matter, determined by the Cabinet, is drawn to the Council's attention in accordance with the Constitution (copies of the related report can be provided for Council members on request).

- Minute 13 Cabinet (27/5/2010) Neptune Development, New Brighton (waiving of call - in) (minute attached)

**7. QUESTIONS**

To deal with questions from councillors and from members of the public, in accordance with Standing Order 11.

Note: Questions from members of the public must be submitted in writing or by email by no later than 5.00pm on 5 July 2010

**8. NOTICES OF MOTION (Pages 41 - 46)**

Notice has been given, in accordance with Standing Order 8(1), of motions on the following subjects. They are listed in the order received, and the full text of each motion is attached.

- (i) Bin Charging
- (ii) Scrapping of Comprehensive Area Assessment
- (iii) Land at Oxtan Road/ Balls Road
- (iv) Possible Academy Sites
- (v) Hung, Shot or Guillotined?
- (vi) "Ghettos of Unemployment"
- (vii) The State of the Council's Finances
- (viii) The Budget
- (ix) Free Swimming

**9. MATTERS FOR DEBATE**

Pursuant to Standing Order 5(1)(m), and in accordance with Standing Order 5(3), to consider written comments, objections or amendments to minutes submitted under Standing Order 7(2), together with those motions, submitted under item 9 above, that the Council agrees to debate at this meeting and any minority reports submitted in accordance with Standing Order 35(4).

**10. VACANCIES**

To receive nominations, in accordance with Standing Order 25(5), in respect of any proposed changes in the membership of the Cabinet and committees, and to approve nominations for appointments to outside organisations.

**11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

To consider any other items of business that the Mayor accepts as being urgent.

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Director of Law, HR and Asset Management

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## COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Annual Council Meeting** held on Monday 17 May, 2010 and reconvened on Monday 24 May 2010

### PRESENT

#### Monday 17 May 2010

The Mayor (Councillor Andrew Hodson) in the Chair  
Deputy Mayor (Councillor Alan Jennings)

Councillors	RL Abbey	K Hayes	A Pritchard
	T Anderson	P Hayes	D Realey
	C Blakeley	P Johnson	P Reisdorf
	E Boulton	M Johnston	L Rennie
	A Bridson	AER Jones	D Roberts
	A Brighthouse	P Kearney	L Rowlands
	S Clarke	J Keeley	J Salter
	W Clements	S Kelly	H Smith
	J Crabtree	B Kenny	T Smith
	G Davies	D Knowles	W Smith
	P Davies	I Lewis	J Stapleton
	WJ Davies	A McArdle	S Taylor
	D Dodd	D McCubbin	G Watt
	D Elderton	AR McLachlan	S Whittingham
	G Ellis	M McLaughlin	R Wilkins
	S Foulkes	C Meaden	I Williams
	G Gardiner	D Mitchell	KJ Williams
	P Gilchrist	R Moon	P Williams
	P Glasman	S Mountney	S Williams
	JE Green	S Niblock	K Wood
	T Harney	C Poval	

#### Apologies

Councillors	J Hale	S Holbrook
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#### Monday 24 May 2010

The Mayor (Councillor Alan Jennings) in the Chair  
Deputy Mayor (Councillor M McLaughlin)

Councillors	RL Abbey	K Hayes	A Pritchard
	T Anderson	P Hayes	D Realey
	C Blakeley	P Johnson	P Reisdorf
	E Boulton	M Johnston	L Rennie
	A Bridson	AER Jones	D Roberts
	A Brighthouse	P Kearney	L Rowlands
	S Clarke	J Keeley	J Salter
	W Clements	S Kelly	H Smith
	J Crabtree	B Kenny	T Smith
	G Davies	D Knowles	W Smith
	P Davies	I Lewis	J Stapleton
	WJ Davies	A McArdle	S Taylor
	D Dodd	D McCubbin	G Watt
	D Elderton	AR McLachlan	S Whittingham
	G Ellis	M McLaughlin	R Wilkins
	S Foulkes	C Meaden	I Williams
	G Gardiner	D Mitchell	KJ Williams
	P Gilchrist	R Moon	P Williams
	P Glasman	S Mountney	S Williams
	JE Green	S Niblock	K Wood
	T Harney	C Poval	

1 **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor thanked all those within the Council and throughout the Borough who had supported him in the wide variety of activities that he had undertaken throughout his year of office and in the work of the Mayor's Charity Fund, in particular the staff of Civic and Member Services for their valued assistance and the former Mayor, Councillor Adrian Jones, and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Jennings, for their encouragement and support. All of the Mayor's remarks were warmly endorsed by the whole Council.

At the Mayor's request, the following young people were invited to entertain the Council:

Jess Yung, Wirral's Young Poet Laureate, read a poem specially composed for the occasion entitled "What Wirral Means to Me"

Stephanie Keilaus sang "Alleluiah"

Alex Stead played the violin

2 **ELECTION OF MAYOR 2010/11**

The Mayor invited nominations for election of the Mayor for the ensuing municipal year.

On a motion moved by Councillor Gardiner and seconded by Councillor Foulkes, and in the absence of any other nominations, it was –

**Resolved - That Councillor Alan Thomas Jennings be elected Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Wirral for the 2010/11 municipal year.**

Councillor Jennings made the declaration required by law, and the retiring Mayor (Councillor Hodson) vacated the chair. Councillor Jennings occupied the chair.

3 **DEPUTY MAYOR 2010/11**

The Mayor invited nominations for the appointment of a Deputy Mayor for the ensuing municipal year.

On a motion moved by Councillor Foulkes and seconded by Councillor Green, and in the absence of any other nominations, it was –

**Resolved (unanimously) – That Councillor Moira McLaughlin be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Wirral for the 2009/10 municipal year.**

Councillor McLaughlin made the declaration required by law.

4 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 19 April 2010, having been circulated to all members, it was –

**Resolved – That, subject to Councillor Sue Taylor being shown as being in attendance, the minutes be approved and adopted.**

5 **ADJOURNMENT**

The Council agreed, without a vote, pursuant to paragraph 44 of the Annual Council procedure, that the meeting stand adjourned to 6.15pm on Monday, 24 May 2010.

6 **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was with deep regret that the Mayor referred to the recent death of Hon Alderman Ken Fox, Mayor of Wirral (1975-76) and Labour Councillor, County Borough of Wallasey (1967-73) and Wirral Borough Council Leasowe Ward (1974-91). The Council stood in silent tribute to his memory.

The Mayor also welcomed those newly elected Councillors and congratulated those Members who had retained their seats at the recent local elections.

7 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The members of the Council were invited to consider whether they had a personal or prejudicial interest in connection with any matter to be debated or determined at this meeting and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of such interest. No such declarations were made.

8 **PETITIONS**

In accordance with Standing Order 21, the Mayor received a petition containing 25 signatories, presented by Councillor C Povall, which objected to planning application LBC/10/00446 (erection of three marquees within the Thornton Manor Estate)

**Resolved – That the petition be noted and referred to the appropriate chief officer in accordance with Standing Order 34**

9 **MATTERS REQUIRING APPROVAL BY THE COUNCIL**

In accordance with Standing Order 5B of the Constitution, the Mayor invited Councillor Mrs Lesley Rennie (on behalf of the Conservative Group, as the political group with most Councillors) to propose a Councillor to be elected as Leader of the Council.

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Rennie and seconded by Councillor Mrs K Wood –

“That Councillor Jeff Green be elected as Leader of Wirral Council”

Councillor Green confirmed that he was willing to accept the nomination and indicated to the Council that, if he was elected as Leader, he was minded to appoint a Cabinet with the political composition of seven Conservative Members and three Liberal Democrat Members.

The motion was then put to the vote and carried with the Council dividing as follows:

For the motion (39) – Councillors T Anderson, C Blakeley, E Boulton, A Bridson, A Brighthouse, SL Clarke, W Clements, D Elderton, GJ Ellis, G Gardiner, PN Gilchrist, JE Green, T Harney, K Hayes, P Hayes, S Holbrook, PSC Johnson, M Johnston, P Kearney, J Keeley, S Kelly, D Knowles, I Lewis, D McCubbin, D Mitchell, RK Moon, SR Mountney, S Niblock, C Povall, A Pritchard, P Reisdorf, Mrs LA Rennie, SL

Rowlands, S Taylor, GCJ Watt, R Wilkins, Mrs PM Williams, S Williams and Mrs K Wood.

Against the motion (20) - Councillors RL Abbey, JA Crabtree, G Davies, PL Davies, WJ Davies, S Foulkes, P Glasman, AER Jones, A McLachlan, M McLaughlin, CM Meaden, DE Roberts, J Salter, H Smith, PA Smith, WW Smith, JV Stapleton, S Whittingham, I Williams, KJ Williams.

Abstentions (1) Councillor AT Jennings.

**Resolved – That Councillor JE Green be elected as Leader of Wirral Council.**

Councillor Green, having been elected Leader of the Council then gave an acceptance speech and thanked the outgoing leader, Councillor S Foulkes, for his services to the Borough over the last 10 years. He then confirmed the following appointments to the Cabinet –

Portfolio	Councillor	Party	Address	Ward
Finance and Best Value	Jeff Green <b>Leader of the Council</b>	Conservative	181 Irby Road Irby Wirral CH61 2XE	West Kirby & Thurstaston
Corporate Resources	Simon Holbrook <b>Deputy Leader</b>	Liberal Democrat	20 Reedville Oxton Birkenhead Wirral CH43 4UH	Prenton
Housing and Community Safety	Chris Blakeley	Conservative	74 Grampian Way Moreton Wirral CH46 0PZ	Moreton West and Saughall Massie
Children's Services and Lifelong Learning	Sheila Clarke	Conservative	23 Kirkway Higher Bebington Wirral CH63 5NT	Bebington
Culture, Tourism and Leisure	David Elderton	Conservative	Ennis House 11 Roman Road Meols Wirral CH47 6AG	West Kirby & Thurstaston
Environment	Gill Gardiner	Liberal Democrat	173 South Parade West Kirby Wirral CH48 3HX	Greasby, Frankby and Irby
Regeneration and Planning Strategy	Andrew Hodson	Conservative	Savoia 36 Pipers Lane Lower Heswall Wirral CH60 9HW	Heswall
Community and Customer Engagement	Ian Lewis	Conservative	9 Victoria Parade Wallasey Wirral CH45 2PH	Leasowe and Moreton East
Social Care and Inclusion	Bob Moon	Liberal Democrat	68 Fairway North Bromborough Wirral CH62 3NA	Bromborough
Streetscene and Transport Services	Lesley Rennie	Conservative	4 Greenlea Close Bebington Wirral CH63 7RU	Wallasey

The Council having received the minutes of the Appointments Working Party, it was then moved by Councillor Green, seconded by Councillor Holbrook and,

**Resolved (39:20:1 abstention) –**



- (1) That for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year the total number of committee places (excluding those on the Standards Committee) shall be 123 and the places shall be allocated in the following proportions:

Committee	Places	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrat
Audit & Risk Management	8	3	3	2
Employment & Appointments	8	3	3	2
Licensing Act 2003	15	6	6	3
Licensing, Health & Safety and General Purposes	10	5	3	2
Pensions	10	4	4	2
Planning	12	5	3	4
Children and Young People	10	4	4	2
Economy & Regeneration	10	4	4	2
Health & Well Being	10	4	4	2
Sustainable Communities	10	4	3	3
Council Excellence	10	4	4	2
Scrutiny Programme Board	10	4	4	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>28</b>

- (2) That nominations for the Chairs of the above committees shall be allocated to the political groups on a proportionate basis (4:4:3) as follows:

Audit and Risk Management	Conservative Group
Employment and Appointments	Liberal Democrat Group
Licensing, Health & Safety and General Purposes	Conservative Group
Pensions	Conservative Group
Planning	Liberal Democrat Group
Children & Young People	Labour Group
Economy & Regeneration	Labour Group
Health & Well Being	Labour Group
Sustainable Communities	Conservative Group
Council Excellence	Liberal Democrat Group
Scrutiny Programme Board	Labour Group

- (3) That the political groups shall provide their written nominations for their places on these committees to the Chief Executive as soon as practicable in order that they may be included in appendix A to the minutes of this meeting.
- (4) That individual committees are strongly recommended to appoint Vice-Chairs to stand in whenever Chairs are not available for meetings.
- (5) That Council notes the ongoing nominations of Diocesan and Parent Governor Representatives on the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- (6) That for the 2010/2011 Municipal Year the Standards Committee shall be constituted as follows:

- (a) The Committee shall consist of 13 members comprising four Independent Members and nine Councillors (three Conservative, three Labour and three Liberal Democrat);
- (b) The Chair and Vice Chairs shall be Independent Members elected by the Standards Committee;
- (c) The Independent Members shall be –
- Mr Brian Cummings (appointed to 31 October 2011)  
Mr Ken Harrison (appointed to 31 October 2010)  
Mr Alex Nuttall (appointed to 31 October 2012)  
Mrs Stella Elliott (appointed to 31 October 2013)
- (d) The political groups shall provide their written nominations for their places on this Committee to the Chief Executive as soon as practicable in order that they may be included in an appendix to the minutes of this meeting.
- (7) That the political groups note that the Chief Executive has delegated authority to make any necessary appointments to fill casual vacancies that may arise on committees, boards and outside bodies, in accordance with the wishes of political groups.
- (8) That Standing Order 5A of the Constitution (Annual Meeting of the Council) be amended to include an additional paragraph (f) (with the original paragraph (f) being redesignated paragraph (g)) to provide for the appointment of Members to panels, advisory committees, working parties and miscellaneous other bodies.
- (9) That the Telecommunications Working Party be disestablished with immediate effect.
- (10) That the allocations of places made to political groups in relation to appointments to panels, statutory and advisory committees and working parties for the municipal year 2010/2011 (each listed under its relevant portfolio with an asterisk indicating party spokespersons) be as set out in appendix B to these minutes.
- (11) That the allocations of places made to political groups in relation to appointments to outside bodies for the municipal year 2010/2011 (each listed under its relevant portfolio with an asterisk indicating party spokespersons) be as set out in appendix C to these minutes.

## MEMBERSHIP of COMMITTEES 2010/11

## APPENDIX A to minute 9

### REGULATORY COMMITTEES

#### AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (8 Council members)

MEMBERS	DEPUTIES
<p><b>3 Conservative:</b></p> <p>Simon Mountney (Chair) Les Rowlands Cherry Povall</p>	<p>G Watt P Hayes J Hale S Taylor S Williams G Ellis K Hayes J Keeley</p>
<p><b>3 Labour:</b></p> <p>Ron Abbey (S) Jim Crabtree Darren Dodd</p>	<p>S Foulkes P L Davies A Jones B Kenny A McArdle A McLachlan J Salter P A Smith</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Peter Reisdorf (S) Alan Brighthouse</p>	<p>P Gilchrist T Harney S Holbrook S Kelly D Mitchell S Niblock B Wilkins P Williams</p>

**EMPLOYMENT AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE**  
**(8 Council members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>3 Conservative:</b></p> <p>Jeff Green (S)            Lesley Rennie            Peter Kearney</p>	<p>G Watt            G Ellis            S Clarke            D Elderton            S Mountney            C Blakeley            A Hodson            I Lewis</p>
<p><b>3 Labour:</b></p> <p>Phil Davies            Steve Foulkes (S)            Moira McLaughlin</p>	<p>G Davies            A Jones            B Kenny            A McLachlan            W Smith            D Roberts            H Smith            J Stapleton</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Ann Bridson (Chair)            Mark Johnston</p>	<p>A Brighthouse            G Gardiner            S Holbrook            S Kelly            D Mitchell            B Moon            B Wilkins            P Williams</p>

**LICENSING, HEALTH & SAFETY AND GENERAL PURPOSES  
COMMITTEE  
(10 Council members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>5 Conservative:</b></p> <p>Sue Taylor (Chair) Tom Anderson Gerry Ellis Ian Lewis Kate Wood</p>	<p>P Hayes P Johnson D Knowles G Watt J Hale P Kearney C Povall W Clements</p>
<p><b>3 Labour:</b></p> <p>Bill Davies (S) Denise Roberts John Salter</p>	<p>P Glasman R Abbey C Meaden B Kenny G Davies J Crabtree H Smith J Stapleton</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Steve Niblock (S) Bob Wilkins</p>	<p>A Bridson A Brighthouse P Gilchrist T Harney M Johnston D Mitchell P Reisdorf P Williams</p>

**LICENSING ACT 2003 COMMITTEE**  
**(15 Council members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b> No provision for deputies
<b>6 Conservative:</b>  Eddie Boulton Gerry Ellis Denis Knowles Don McCubbin Cherry Povall Sue Taylor (Chair)	
<b>6 Labour:</b>  Pat Glasman Bill Davies (S) George Davies John Salter Harry Smith Stuart Whittingham	
<b>3 Liberal Democrat:</b>  Steve Niblock (S) Bob Wilkins Pat Williams	

**PENSIONS COMMITTEE**  
**(10 Council members; 5 co-opted members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>4 Conservative:</b></p> <p>Geoffrey Watt (Chair)            Peter Johnson            Denis Knowles            Cherry Povall</p>	<p>K Wood            A Pritchard            J Hale            L Rowlands            S Mountney            P Hayes            S Williams            W Clements</p>
<p><b>4 Labour:</b></p> <p>George Davies            Adrian Jones            Ann McLachlan(S)            Harry Smith</p>	<p>R Abbey            J Crabtree            D Dodd            P Glasman            B Kenny            A McArdle            M McLaughlin            J Stapleton</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Tom Harney (S)            Bob Moon</p>	<p>A Bridson            A Brighthouse            P Gilchrist            M Johnston            S Kelly            D Mitchell            P Reisdorf            B Wilkins</p>
<p><b>5 Co-opted members:</b></p> <p>The nominees of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liverpool City Council (Cllr Alan Dean)</li> <li>• Knowsley MBC (Cllr Norman Keats)</li> <li>• St Helens MBC (Cllr Geoffrey Pearl)</li> <li>• Sefton MBC (Cllr Anne Ibbs)</li> </ul> <p><i>plus</i>            Representative of other Pension Fund employers</p>	

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**(12 Council members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>5 Conservative:</b></p> <p>David Elderton (S)            Eddie Boulton            Paul Hayes            Peter Johnson            James Keeley</p>	<p>W Clements            A Pritchard            G Watt            T Anderson            L Rowlands            C Povall            G Ellis            D Knowles</p>
<p><b>3 Labour:</b></p> <p>Brian Kenny (S)            Denise Realey            John Salter</p>	<p>J Crabtree            G Davies            R Abbey            A Jones            C Meaden            D Roberts            H Smith            S Whittingham</p>
<p><b>4 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Dave Mitchell (Chair)            Phil Gilchrist            Stuart Kelly            Mark Johnston</p>	<p>A Bridson            A Brighthouse            T Harney            B Wilkins            P Williams</p>



**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**  
**(9 Council members; 4 independent members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>3 Conservative:</b></p> <p>Les Rowlands (S)            Karen Hayes            Chris Blakeley</p>	<p>S Mountney            P Hayes            T Anderson            J Keeley            G Ellis            W Clements            J Hale            A Pritchard</p>
<p><b>3 Labour:</b></p> <p>Bill Davies            Adrian Jones(S)            Chris Meaden</p>	<p>G Davies            P Davies            B Kenny            S Foulkes            M McLaughlin            D Roberts            W Smith            J Stapleton</p>
<p><b>3 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Pat Williams (S)            Ann Bridson            Bob Wilkins</p>	<p>A Brighthouse            P Gilchrist            T Harney            M Johnston            S Kelly            D Mitchell            S Niblock            P Reisdorf</p>
<p><b>4 Independent:</b></p> <p>Mr Brian Cummings (<b>Chair</b>) (to 31 October 2011)            Mr Ken Harrison (<b>Vice-Chair</b>) (to 31 October 2010)            Mr Alex Nuttall (to 31 October 2012)            Mrs Stella Elliott (to 31 October 2013)</p>	

## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

### SCRUTINY PROGRAMME BOARD (10 Council members)

MEMBERS	DEPUTIES
<p><b>4 Conservative:</b></p> <p>John Hale (S) Simon Mountney Sue Taylor Geoffrey Watt</p>	<p>J Keeley L Rowlands W Clements C Povall A Pritchard P Johnson D Knowles G Ellis</p>
<p><b>4 Labour:</b></p> <p>George Davies Moiria McLaughlin Chris Meaden Harry Smith (Chair)</p>	<p>B Kenny D Roberts P Smith W Smith I Williams D Realey A McArdle S Whittingham</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Ann Bridson (S) Phil Gilchrist</p>	<p>A Brighthouse T Harney M Johnston S Kelly D Mitchell P Reisdorf B Wilkins P Williams</p>

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
(10 Council members; 5 co-opted members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>4 Conservative:</b></p> <p>Paul Hayes (S) Wendy Clements Karen Hayes Cherry Povall</p>	<p>S Williams G Watt A Pritchard J Keeley L Rowlands S Taylor K Wood G Ellis</p>
<p><b>4 Labour:</b></p> <p>Anne McArdle Chris Meaden (Chair) Tony Smith Walter Smith</p>	<p>P L Davies A Jones A McLachlan D Roberts D Realey J Salter P Glasman D Dodd</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Tom Harney (S) Pat Williams</p>	<p>A Bridson A Brighthouse P Gilchrist M Johnston S Kelly D Mitchell P Reisdorf B Wilkins</p>
<p><b>Co-opted members:</b></p> <p><b>2 Diocesan representatives</b> (with voting rights): Roman Catholic – Mr Michael Clarke Church of England – Mr R Neale</p> <p><b>2 Parent Governor representatives</b> (with voting rights): Mrs Jacqui Kearney (until 28 October 2011) <b>Vacancy</b> (until 8 February 2013)</p> <p><b>1 representative of the Voluntary and Community sectors:</b> Mrs Jane Owens</p>	

**ECONOMY AND REGENERATION  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
(10 Council members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>4 Conservative:</b></p> <p>Tony Pritchard (S) Eddie Boulton John Hale Denis Knowles</p>	<p>L Rowlands G Ellis J Keeley S Mountney K Wood T Anderson C Povall S Taylor</p>
<p><b>4 Labour:</b></p> <p>George Davies(Chair) Denise Roberts Jean Stapleton Irene Williams</p>	<p>R Abbey B Kenny A McLachlan J Crabtree A Jones D Realey H Smith S Whittingham</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Stuart Kelly (S) Mark Johnston</p>	<p>A Bridson A Brighthouse P Gilchrist D Mitchell S Niblock P Reisdorf B Wilkins P Williams</p>

**HEALTH AND WELL-BEING  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
(10 Council members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>4 Conservative:</b></p> <p>Geoffrey Watt (S) Wendy Clements Simon Mountney Cherry Povall</p>	<p>L Rowlands K Wood S Taylor A Pritchard K Hayes P Johnson P Hayes S Williams</p>
<p><b>4 Labour:</b></p> <p>Pat Glasman Brian Kenny Maira McLaughlin(Chair) Tony Smith</p>	<p>D Roberts R Abbey A McLachlan C Meaden J Salter D Realey I Williams A McArdle</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Ann Bridson (S) Peter Reisdorf</p>	<p>A Brighthouse P Gilchrist T Harney M Johnston D Mitchell S Niblock B Wilkins P Williams</p>
<p><b>5 Co-opted members:</b></p> <p>Sandra Wall - Older People's Parliament Diane Hill - Local Involvement Network (LINK) Susan Lowe – Service Users Bev Bray – Carers Shanti Saagar – BME Community</p>	

**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
(10 Council members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>4 Conservative:</b></p> <p>John Hale (Chair) Tom Anderson Don McCubbin Steve Williams</p>	<p>P Johnson K Wood P Hayes G Ellis C Povall S Taylor S Mountney L Rowlands</p>
<p><b>3 Labour:</b></p> <p>Ann McLachlan Harry Smith (S) Jerry Williams</p>	<p>J Crabtree D Dodd B Kenny P Glasman C Meaden D Roberts J Salter S Whittingham</p>
<p><b>3 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Bob Wilkins (S) Alan Brighthouse Dave Mitchell</p>	<p>A Bridson P Gilchrist T Harney M Johnston S Kelly S Niblock P Reisdorf P Williams</p>

**COUNCIL EXCELLENCE  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
(10 Council members)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>DEPUTIES</b>
<p><b>4 Conservative:</b></p> <p>James Keeley (S) Peter Kearney Don McCubbin Steve Williams</p>	<p>J Hale S Mountney C Povall P Hayes W Clements K Hayes P Johnson A Pritchard</p>
<p><b>4 Labour:</b></p> <p>Phil Davies (S) Brian Kenny Anne McArdle Jean Stapleton</p>	<p>A Jones C Meaden R Abbey J Crabtree D Dodd P Glasman J Salter H Smith</p>
<p><b>2 Liberal Democrat:</b></p> <p>Phil Gilchrist (Chair) Alan Brighthouse</p>	<p>A Bridson M Johnston S Kelly D Mitchell S Niblock P Reisdorf B Wilkins P Williams</p>

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## **APPENDIX B to minute 9**

### **STATUTORY AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES, WORKING PARTIES AND PANELS – MEMBERSHIP 2010/11**

**Note:** figures in brackets indicate the political ratio, i.e. (Conservative: Labour: Liberal Democrat); asterisk indicates party spokesperson.

#### **(1) STATUTORY COMMITTEES AND PANELS** (listed under relevant portfolio)

##### **(a) CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND LIFELONG LEARNING**

###### **(i) Complaints Panel (School Curriculum and Related Matters)** (1:1:1 plus named deputies)

Councillor Paul Hayes (Deputies – Councillors Karen Hayes, Cherry Povall, Wendy Clements)

Councillor Chris Meaden (Deputies - Councillors A E R Jones, W Smith, P A Smith, C Meaden)

Councillor Tom Harney (Deputies - A Bridson, D Mitchell, Mrs P M Williams)

###### **(ii) Education Staff Panel** (3:2:2 plus named deputies)

Councillors Paul Hayes, Wendy Clements, Cherry Povall (Deputies – Karen Hayes, Tony Pritchard)

Councillors George Davies, Chris Meaden (Deputies – P A Smith, W Smith, A E R Jones, D E Roberts, C Meaden)

Councillors Tom Harney\*, Pat Williams (Deputies – A Brighthouse, R Wilkins)

###### **(iii) Headteacher Appointments Panel** (2:1:1 plus named deputies)

Councillor Paul Hayes, Karen Hayes (Deputies – Cherry Povall, Wendy Clements, Tony Pritchard)

Councillors Chris Meaden (Deputies - P A Smith, W Smith, A E R Jones, A McArdle, D E Roberts)

Councillor Tom Harney\* (Deputies - S A Holbrook, S Kelly)

###### **(iv) School Appeals Panel**

Lay Chairs: Mrs H A Wells, Mrs C Muspratt, Mr J Smallthwaite and Dr N Eden

###### **(v) Standing Advisory Committee on Religious Education (SACRE)** (2:2:2)

Councillors Tony Pritchard, Karen Hayes (Deputy – Paul Hayes)

Councillors Tony Smith, Walter Smith (Deputies – W J Davies, A McArdle, Mrs C M Meaden, A E R Jones)

Councillors Dave Mitchell, Pat Williams (Deputies – Phil Gilchrist, M Johnston)

**(vi) Wirral Schools Forum (Funding Consultative Group) - Observers (1:1:1)**

Councillor Paul Hayes  
Councillor P A Smith  
Councillor Tom Harney

**(vii) School Admissions Forum (1:1:1)**

Councillor Sheila Clarke  
Councillor Phil Davies  
Councillor Tom Harney

**(viii) Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership Board (1:1:1)**

Cabinet member – Councillor Sheila Clarke (Chair) and Councillors Chris Meaden and Tom Harney

**(ix) Adoption / Fostering Panels**

Adoption: Councillor Sheila Clarke  
Fostering: Councillors Sheila Clarke, Adrian Jones and Mark Johnston

**(b) HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**

**(i) Housing Review Panel (1:1:1 plus named deputies)**

Councillor Tony Pritchard (Deputies - Mrs K Wood, D Knowles)  
Councillor George Davies (Deputies – A R C McLachlan, R L Abbey, J V Stapleton)  
Councillor Stuart Kelly (Deputies - A T Jennings, P T C Reisdorf, Pat Williams)

**(ii) Unified Waiting List Management Advisory Board (2:2:1 plus named deputies)**

Councillors Chris Blakeley\*, Denis Knowles (Deputy – Tony Pritchard)  
Councillors George Davies\*, A R C McLachlan (Deputies - R L Abbey, J V Stapleton, H Smith)  
Councillor Stuart Kelly (Deputy - A T Jennings)

**(c) SOCIAL CARE AND INCLUSION**

**(i) Discharge from Guardianship by Wirral Council under the Mental Health Act 1983 Panel (1:1:1) (Members to be appointed from membership of Health and Well Being Overview and Scrutiny Committee)**

Councillor Geoffrey Watt  
Councillor Moira McLaughlin  
Councillor Ann Bridson

**(2) ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND WORKING PARTIES** (listed under relevant portfolio)

**(a) CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND LIFELONG LEARNING**

**(i) Youth and Play Service Advisory Committee** (8 Council members - 3:3:2)

Councillors Karen Hayes, Wendy Clements, Cherry Povall (Deputy – Paul Hayes)  
Councillors Tony Smith, Chris Meaden, Walter Smith (Deputies – A E R Jones, D E Roberts)  
Councillors Tom Harney\*, Pat Williams (Deputies - A T Jennings, P Reisdorf)

**(ii) Virtual School Governing Body** (2:2:2)

Councillors Sheila Clarke, Wendy Clements  
Councillors Chris Meaden, Moira McLaughlin  
Councillors Tom Harney, Pat Williams

**(iii) Headteachers and Teachers Joint Consultative Cttee** (7 Council members - 3:2:2)

Councillors Sheila Clarke\*, Paul Hayes, Karen Hayes  
Councillors George Davies, Chris Meaden (Deputies – A E R Jones, (tba), K J Williams, D E Roberts)  
Councillors Tom Harney, Pat Williams (Deputies – A Bridson, P Gilchrist)

**(iv) SEN Advisory Committee** (1:1:1)

Councillor Tony Pritchard  
Councillor Tony Smith (Deputies – K J Williams, W W Smith, C Meaden)  
Councillor Tom Harney (Deputy - A Bridson)

**(v) Wirral Schools' Music Service Consultative Committee** (1:1:1)

Councillor Sheila Clarke  
Councillor Walter Smith  
Councillor Pat Williams

**(b) CORPORATE SERVICES**

**(i) Members' Training Steering Group** (1:1:1)

Councillor Chris Blakeley  
Councillor Ann McLachlan  
Councillor Tom Harney

**(ii) Members' Equipment Steering Group** (1:1:1)

Councillor Jeff Green  
Councillor Adrian Jones  
Councillor Peter Reisdorf

**(c) CULTURE, TOURISM AND LEISURE**

**(i) Birkenhead Park Advisory Committee (2:4:2)**

Councillors Cherry Povall, Sheila Clarke  
Councillors Brian Kenny, Phil Davies, George Davies (c), Denise Roberts  
Councillors Stuart Kelly, Simon Holbrook

**(ii) Hilbre Island Nature Reserve Management Committee (4:2:2)**

Councillors Gerry Ellis, John Hale, Jeff Green, Geoffrey Watt  
Councillors Jerry Williams, Tony Smith  
Councillors Gill Gardiner\*, Peter Reisdorf

**(iii) Heritage Champion**

Councillor Jerry Williams (subject to annual review).

**(iv) Parks and Countryside Service Options Group (2:2:2)**

Councillors David Elderton, Tom Anderson  
Councillors Tony Smith, Jerry Williams  
Councillors Bob Moon, Dave Mitchell

**(d) ENVIRONMENT**

**(i) Wirral Climate Change Group (1:1:1)**

Councillor Tom Anderson  
Councillor John Salter  
Councillor Gill Gardiner

**(e) HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**

**Anti-Social Behaviour Partnership Body**

Councillors Chris Blakeley, Sheila Clarke, Tony Pritchard  
Councillor George Davies (Deputies: Councillors H Smith, KJ Williams)  
Councillor Bob Wilkins (Deputies: Councillors D Mitchell, S Kelly)

**(e) REGENERATION AND PLANNING STRATEGY**

**(i) Birkenhead Town Centre Consultative Group (2:2:1)**

Councillors Andrew Hodson, Simon Mountney  
Councillors Brian Kenny, Jean Stapleton  
Councillor Stuart Kelly

**APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2010/11  
(grouped under portfolio)**

**Note:** Where ratios are quoted, the first figure refers to the entitlement of the Conservative group, then Labour, then Liberal Democrat.

**(a) CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND LIFELONG LEARNING**

**(i) Birkenhead Sixth Form College Governing Body**

Councillor D E Roberts (1 Nov 2007 to 31 Oct 2011)

**(ii) Children's Services District Boards (See note)**

One councillor from each area forum (eleven in total, divided 4:4:3) to be appointed to serve on the relevant district board, as follows. Whilst the actual names are put forward by the area forums, the Council decides which party the representatives should come from (based on which had the majority of members on each forum).

<u>District</u>	<u>Area Forum</u>
Birkenhead District Board	(Bidston / Claughton) (Lab) (Prenton / Oxton) (LibDem) (Birkenhead & Tranmere / Rock Ferry) (Lab)
Wallasey	(Liscard / Seacombe) (Lab) (New Brighton / Wallasey) (Cons) (Leasowe & Moreton East / Moreton West & Saughall Massie) (Cons)
South Wirral	(Clatterbridge / Bebington) (Cons) (Bromborough / Eastham) (LibDem)
West Wirral	(Pensby & Thingwall / Heswall) (LibDem) (Hoylake & Meols / West Kirby & Thurstaston) (Cons) (Greasby, Frankby & Irby / Upton) (Lab)

**(iii) C E Gourley VC Endowment Fund**

Councillors G J Ellis, G C J Watt

**(iv) Connexions (Greater Merseyside) Ltd**

Stephen Maddox (Chief Executive) or nominee

**(v) Lower Bebington School Lands Foundation (1:1:1)**

Councillors S L Clarke, A T Jennings, K J Williams

**(vi) National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children**

Councillor M McLaughlin

**(vii) Oaklands Centre Management Committee (2:1:1)**

Councillors A Pritchard, S Mountney  
Councillor W W Smith  
Councillor T Harney

**(viii) St Bridget's Educational Trust**

Councillor G J Ellis

**(ix) University of Liverpool Court (1:1:1)**

Councillor P S C Johnson  
Councillor A E R Jones  
Councillor A Bridson

**(x) West Kirby Residential School**

Councillor J Hale

**(xi) Wirral Alternative School Programme (WASP) (1:1:1)**

Councillor P Hayes  
Councillor C Meaden  
Councillor T Harney

**(xii) Wirral Metropolitan College Governing Body**

Councillor S L Clarke  
Mr S Maddox (Chief Executive)

**(xiii) Wirral Play Council Executive Committee (1:1:0)**

Councillor Karen Hayes  
Councillor C Meaden

**(xiv) Wirral Play Partnership (1:1:1)**

Councillor S L Clarke  
Councillor C M Meaden  
Councillor R K Moon

**(b) CORPORATE RESOURCES**

**(i) Birkenhead Market Limited / Birkenhead Market Services Limited – Director**

Councillor Brian Kenny

**(ii) \* Local Government Association: General Assembly (2:1:1)**

Councillor J E Green, Mrs L A Rennie  
Councillor S Foulkes  
Councillor S A Holbrook  
*\* See also item (vii) below*

**(iii) Liverpool City Region Cabinet**

Leader of the Council, Councillor J Green

**(iv) Merseyside Valuation Tribunal**

No new appointments required - see Council minute 143 (16/4/07).

**(v) 4NW Regional Leaders' Board (Nomination)**

Leader of the Council, Councillor J Green

**(vi) North Western Local Authorities Employers' Organisation**

Councillor A Hodson (Deputy – Councillor D Elderton)

**(vii) SIGOMA (LGA Special Interest Group of Metropolitan Authorities)**

Leader of the Council, Councillor J Green, or nominee\*

Councillor C Blakeley is the Leader's current nominee, and the other Group leaders or their nominees have been authorised to attend as observers.

**(viii) West Kirby Charities** (the Council is able to nominate up to 7 trustees)

Councillor D M Elderton (appointed until 7 September 2013)  
Councillor E Boulton (appointed until 16 October 2013)  
Mr Peter Morris (appointed until 30 October 2010)  
Mrs D Robinson (appointed until 18 October 2012)  
Councillor G C J Watt (appointed until 26 April 2012)  
Mrs Irene Whitehurst MBE (appointed until 30 October 2011)

**(c) COMMUNITY AND CUSTOMER ENGAGEMENT**

**(i) Beechwood Play and Community Centre Joint Management Committee**

Councillors J Crabtree, D E Roberts, A R C MacLachlan, H Smith

**(ii) Charing Cross Play Youth and Community Centre Joint Management Committee**

Councillors PL Davies, B Kenny, DE Roberts, JV Stapleton

**(iii) Gautby Road Play & Community Centre Joint Management Cttee**  
(Bidston & St James Ward Councillors)

Councillors J Crabtree, A R C MacLachlan, H Smith

**(iv) Greasby Community Centre Joint Management Committee**  
(Greasby, Frankby and Irby Ward Councillors)

Councillors G Gardiner, W Clements, P T C Reisdorf

**(v) Hoylake Youth and Community Centre Joint Management Committee**  
(Hoylake and Meols Ward Councillors)

Councillors G J Ellis, J Hale, E Boulton

**(vi) Kylemore Community Centre Joint Management Committee**  
(Pensby and Thingwall Ward Councillors)

Councillors D McCubbin, M Johnston, R Wilkins

**(vii) The Lauries Centre**

Councillor B Kenny

**(viii) Leasowe Play, Youth & Community Association Management Cttee**

Councillors R L Abbey, A McArdle, Steve Williams, I Lewis

**(ix) Liscard Community Facilities Complex Joint Management Cttee**  
(Liscard Ward Councillors)

Councillors D Dodd, J Keeley, Karen Hayes

**(x) Livingstone Street Community Centre Joint Management Cttee**  
(Bidston and St James Ward Councillors)

Councillors J Crabtree, A R C McLachlan, H Smith

**(xi) Moreton Community Centre Joint Management Committee**  
(Moreton West and Saughall Massie Ward Councillors)

Councillors C Blakeley, Steve Williams, S R Mountray

**(xii) New Ferry Village Hall Joint Management Committee**  
(Bromborough Ward Councillors)

Councillors R K Moon, S A M Niblock, Irene Williams

**(xiii) Overton Community Centre Joint Management Committee**  
(Upton Ward Councillors)

Councillors T Anderson, S Whittingham, P A Smith

**(xiv) Seacombe Community Association (Council)**

Councillor J Salter



**(xv) Vale House Community Centre Joint Management Committee**  
(New Brighton Ward Councillors)

Councillors P Glasman, Sue Taylor, A Pritchard

**(xvi) Westbourne Community Centre Joint Management Committee**

Councillors G J Ellis, J E Green, J Hale

**(xvii) Wirral Multicultural Organisation (1:1:1, plus a ward councillor)**

Councillor I Lewis  
Councillor B Kenny  
Councillor S Holbrook  
Councillor P L Davies (Ward Councillor),

**(xviii) Woodchurch Community Centre Joint Management Committee**  
(Upton Ward Councillors)

Councillors T Anderson, S Whittingham, P A Smith

**(d) CULTURE, TOURISM AND LEISURE**

**(i) Mayer Trust, Bebington**

Councillors S L Clarke, A T Jennings, K J Williams

**(ii) Merseyside Arts, Culture and Media Industries Board**

Councillor P Glasman

**(iii) Merseyside Cultural Forum**

Councillor D Elderton (as Cabinet Member for Culture, Tourism and Leisure)

**(iv) North West Regional Libraries System**

Councillor D Elderton (as Cabinet member for Culture, Tourism and Leisure) or nominee (Councillor D McCubbin)

**(v) Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Society**

Councillor D E Roberts

**(vi) Tam O'Shanter Cottage Trust**

Councillors D E Roberts  
S Mountney  
J Crabtree  
G Davies  
S Foulkes

**(e) ENVIRONMENT**

**(i) Liverpool Airport Consultative Committee**

Councillor J Salter  
(Councillor Knowles on by virtue of him being appointed Chair by the Consultative Committee)

**(ii) Liverpool Bay Coastal Forum**

Councillor D E Roberts

**(iii) LA 21 Forum (2:1:1)**

Councillors T Anderson, C Povall  
Councillor D E Roberts  
Councillor G Gardiner

**(iv) LGA Urban Commission (1:1:0)**

Councillor Denis Knowles  
Councillor J Crabtree

**(v) Manchester Port Health Authority**

Councillor D Knowles (Deputy – Councillor C Blakeley)

**(vi) Mersey Port Health Committee (3:2:1)**

Councillors D Knowles, P S C Johnson, G Ellis (Deputies – Councillors C Blakeley, L Rowlands)  
Councillors R L Abbey, J J Salter (Deputies – Councillors B Kenny, H Smith)  
Councillor G D Mitchell (Deputies – Councillors A Bridson, R Wilkins)

**(vii) Merseyside Waste Disposal Authority (1:0:1)**

Councillor T Anderson\*  
Councillor A Brighthouse

*\*Nominated for the purposes of Section 41, Local Government Act 1985*

**(viii) Environment Agency - Flood Defence Advisory Committee**

Councillor H Smith

**(ix) North Western and North Wales Sea Fisheries Committee (1:1:0)**

Councillor D Knowles  
Councillor H Smith

**(x) Groundwork Merseyside**

Councillor G Gardiner

**(f) FINANCE AND BEST VALUE**

**(i) Strategic Partnership Assembly** (formerly Local Strategic Partnership)

Group Leaders: Councillors S Foulkes, J E Green, S A Holbrook (or nominees) and Chief Executive (Stephen Maddox)

**(ii) Local Strategic Partnership Executive Board** (formerly Local Area Agreement Management Board)

Group Leaders: Councillors S Foulkes, J E Green, S A Holbrook (or nominees) and Chief Executive (Stephen Maddox)

**(g) HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**

**(i) Beechwood and Ballantyne Community Housing Association - Board**  
(3 Council members - Ward Councillors for Bidston and St James)

Councillors C Meaden, A R C McLachlan, H Smith

**(ii) Leasowe Community Homes Management Board**

Councillors R L Abbey, A McArdle, I Lewis and Deputy Director of Finance (David Taylor-Smith)

**(iii) Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority (Not an approved duty) (2:1:1)**

Councillors Mrs L A Rennie, G Ellis  
Councillor D Roberts\*  
Councillor S A M Niblock

*\* Nominated for the purposes of Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985.*

**(iv) Merseyside Police Authority Appointments Committee (1:1:1)**

Councillor J E Green (Deputies – Councillors Mrs L A Rennie, D M Elderton, Mrs K Wood)

Councillor S Foulkes (Deputies – Councillors P L Davies, G Davies, M McLaughlin, J V Stapleton)

Councillor S A Holbrook (Deputies – G Gardiner, D Mitchell)

**(v) Merseyside Police Authority (Not an approved duty) (1:0:1)**

Councillor Mrs K Wood\*  
Councillor Pat Williams

*\* Nominated for the purposes of Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985.*

**(vi) Newheartlands Partnership Board (HMRI)**

Councillor C Blakeley (as Cabinet member for Housing and Community Safety)

**(vii) Wirral Community Safety Partnership (1:1:1)**

Councillors C Blakeley, G Davies and R Wilkins

**(viii) Wirral Partnership Homes – Board members (2:2:1)**

Councillors Karen Hayes, T Anderson  
Councillors B Kenny, D E Roberts  
Councillor T Harney

**(ix) Wirral Partnership Homes: Community Fund Working Group**

Councillor C Blakeley (Cabinet member)  
Mr J Wilkie (Director of Corporate Services)  
Mr B Norman (Director of Law, HR and Asset Management)

**(h) REGENERATION AND PLANNING STRATEGY**

**(i) Conservation Area Advisory Committees**

<u>Conservation Area</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>
Bromborough Pool	S A M Niblock
Oxton	(tba), Mrs P Williams
Barnston	R Wilkins, (tba x2)
Caldy	J E Green
Frankby	G Gardiner
Gayton and Heswall	P S C Johnson
Thornton Hough	A T Jennings
Thurstaston	D M Elderton
Wellington Road, New Brighton	S Taylor, A Pritchard and P Glasman
Saughall Massie	S Williams
Port Sunlight	S A M Niblock
Rock Park	Mrs C M Meaden
Bidston	H Smith
Eastham	T Harney
Hoylake (Meols Drive/King's Gap)	G J Ellis
Friends of Birkenhead Park	K J Williams
West Kirby Society	D M Elderton
Bromborough Society	R K Moon
Mount Wood	A Bridson
Clifton Park	B Kenny

**(ii) Egerton House Trust (1:1:0)**

Councillor D M Elderton  
Councillor J Stapleton

**(iii) Intermediate Labour Market Company (Pentra Services)**

Councillor A Hodson

**(iv) Lairdside Communities Together**

Councillor P Davies  
Councillor C Meaden

**(v) Liverpool City Region Boards**

- Environment and Waste Board - Leader of the Council, Councillor J Green
- Improvement and Efficiency Board – Leader of the Council, Councillor J Green

**(vi) Mersey / Dee Alliance (1:1:1)**

Councillor D Knowles (or nominee)  
Councillor P L Davies (or nominee)  
Councillor M Johnston (or nominee)

**(vii) Mersey Partnership (Nomination)**

Councillor P L Davies

**(viii) Mersey Waterfront Regional Park**

Councillor A Hodson (as Cabinet member for Regeneration and Planning Strategy)

**(ix) North Birkenhead Development Trust (Director)**

Councillor H Smith

**(x) Wirral Council for Voluntary Service - Management Committee (1:1:0)**

Councillor D M Elderton  
Councillor M McLaughlin

**(xi) Wirral Investment Network**

Director of Corporate Services (Jim Wilkie)

**(xii) Wirral Citizens' Advice Bureau (1:1:1)**

Councillor D M Elderton  
Councillor W Smith  
Councillor S A M Niblock, plus  
Director of Corporate Services (Jim Wilkie) (or nominee)

**(xiii) Woodchurch Neighbourhood Management Board**

(Councillors for Greasby, Frankby & Irby and Upton wards)

Councillors G Gardiner, W Clements and P T C Reisdorf  
Councillors T Anderson, S Whittingham and P A Smith

**(i) SOCIAL CARE AND INCLUSION**

**(i) Age Concern**

Councillor M McLaughlin

**(ii) Arch Initiatives - Wirral Management Committee (1:1:1)**

Councillor Steve Williams  
Councillor D E Roberts  
Councillor R K Moon

**(iii) Bebington Day Centre Advisory Body**  
(Bebington Ward Councillors)

Councillors S L Clarke, W W Smith, K J Williams

**(iv) Cheshire and Wirral NHS Partnership Trust: Appointed Governor**

Councillor R K Moon

**(v) Joint Scrutiny Committee for Cheshire & Wirral NHS Partnership Trust**  
**(3:2:1)**

Councillors G C J Watt, S Mountney, C Povall (Deputy - Councillor W Clements)  
Councillors J Salter, D E Roberts (Deputy – Councillor P A Smith)  
Councillors A Bridson (Deputy – Councillor R Wilkins)

**(vi) Clatterbridge Centre for Oncology Foundation Trust**

Councillor C Povall

**(vii) John Lloyd Corkhill Trust**

Councillor M McLaughlin

**(viii) Girtrell Court Residential Centre Advisory Body (1:1:1)**

Councillor S Mountney  
Councillor S Whittingham  
Councillor A Bridson

**(ix) Heswall Advisory Body (Heswall ATC) (1:1:1)**

Councillor P S C Johnson  
Councillor K J Williams  
Councillor R Wilkins

**(x) Merseyside Society for the Deaf (0:1:1)**

Councillor M McLaughlin  
Councillor S A M Niblock

**(xi) Relate**

Councillor P Glasman

**(xii) Riverside Centre Advisory Body (1:2:0)**

Councillor S Mountney  
Councillors A R C McLachlan, D E Roberts

**(xiii) Wallasey Day Centre Advisory Body (2:1:0)**

Councillors A Pritchard, S Taylor  
Councillor J J Salter

**(xiv) Wirral University Teaching Hospital Foundation Trust - Governors (1:1:1)**

Councillor J Green  
Councillor C Meaden  
Councillor R K Moon  
Deputy: Director of Adult Social Services (John Webb)

*(Members appointed to the trust cannot also be members of the Health and Well Being Overview and Scrutiny Committee)*

**(xv) Wirral Information Resource on Equality and Disability (WIRED) (Disability Advisory Forum)**

Councillor I Lewis

**(xvi) LGA Community Well Being Board**

Councillor M McLaughlin

**(j) STREETSCENE AND TRANSPORT SERVICES**

**(i) Local Government Association Coastal Issues Special Interest Group**

Councillor Mrs L Rennie (Cabinet member for Streetscene & Transport Services)

**(ii) Merseyside Integrated Transport Authority (Not an approved duty) (2:1:1)**

Councillors C Blakeley, L Rowlands  
Councillor R Abbey  
Councillor G D Mitchell\*

*\* Nominated for the purposes of Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985.*

**(iii) Merseytravel Advisory Panel (Wirral Division) (1:1:1)**

Councillor D M Elderton  
Councillor R Abbey  
Councillor G D Mitchell

**(iv) Merseyside Strategic Transportation Committee**

Councillor Mrs L Rennie  
Councillor J Hale

**(v) National Parking Adjudication Service Joint Committee**

Councillor Mrs L Rennie (Deputies – Councillors H Smith and D Mitchell)

**(vi) Wirral Cycle Forum (1:1:1)**

Councillor W Clements  
Councillor K J Williams  
Councillor P N Gilchrist

**(vii) Wirral Pedestrian Forum (1:1:1)**

Councillor J Keeley  
Councillor H Smith  
Councillor P N Gilchrist



**CABINET 24 JUNE 2010**

**REFERRALS TO COUNCIL**

### **36 INSURANCE FUND ANNUAL REPORT 2009-10**

The Director of Finance submitted a report which provided a review of the Risk and Insurance activity during 2009/10 and the plans for 2010/11. It also detailed the current status of the liability, fire and motor claims fund and the impact of measures taken to improve the management of risk. He reported a surplus of £2.47 million in respect of the Liability section of the Insurance Fund which could be returned to the General Balance in 2009/10.

**Resolved – That,**

**(1) the transfer of £2,471,000 from the Insurance Fund to the General Fund balance be agreed and the thanks of the Cabinet be conveyed to all those involved;**

**(2) regular updates on the progress in Insurance and Risk Management continue to be presented to the Audit & Risk Management Committee;**

**(3) the Insurance Fund budget for 2011/12 be presented to Cabinet in November 2010.**

### **43 INTEGRATED REGENERATION STUDY FOR BIRKENHEAD AND WIRRAL WATERS**

The Deputy Chief Executive / Director of Corporate Services submitted a report which presented the findings of the Integrated Regeneration Study for Birkenhead and Wirral Waters (IRS) produced on behalf of the Council by GVA Grimley.

The report set out the background to the study, the preparation process, including stakeholder engagement and the key findings and recommendations. The report also explained how the IRS was an important element of the evidence base for Wirral's Core Strategy Development Plan Document and outlined how the key findings of the study would inform a series of guiding principles for Wirral Waters which in turn would shape the consideration of Peel's proposals for Wirral Waters.

An additional recommendation had been circulated to the Cabinet and on a motion by Councillor Hodson, duly seconded, it was –

**Resolved - That,**

**(1) the Integrated Regeneration Study for Birkenhead and Wirral Waters be adopted by the Council as a material planning consideration in relation to development proposals in the vicinity of the study area;**

**(2) the findings of the Integrated Regeneration Study for Birkenhead and Wirral Waters be used to inform the content of the emerging Core Strategy Development Plan Document;**

**(3) the thematic relationships table linking the Integrated Regeneration Strategy for Birkenhead and Wirral Waters and the East Float component of Wirral Waters**

**(appended to the report) be used to inform the consideration of the current planning application by Peel holdings and be taken forward alongside the Core Strategy;**

**(4) a further report be brought back to Cabinet on delivery options In due course;**

**(5) Cabinet welcomes the Integrated Regeneration Study as providing a context for Wirral Waters, and its integration with Birkenhead, Wallasey and the surrounding areas. Cabinet further notes that if the RSS is abolished there would be a policy vacuum and considers that this study will help inform the Spatial Priorities to be taken forward in the study area and the rest of Wirral.**

**CABINET 27 MAY 2010**

**REFERRAL TO COUNCIL**

MINUTE 13 URGENT BUSINESS  
NEPTUNE DEVELOPMENT, NEW BRIGHTON  
PROGRESS REPORT

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management updated Members on the progress made in connection with the Neptune Development on the New Brighton seafront. A revised copy of the site plan was circulated.

In view of the urgency of this matter, the Cabinet was also asked to waive "Call-in". Councillor Jeff Green informed that the Labour Group had been consulted on this proposal and was content for call-in to be waived, given the urgency of the situation.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the Director of Law, HR and Asset Management, pursuant to section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972, be authorised to appropriate that land shown edged red on the plan for the planning purposes detailed in the report.
- (2) Call-in of the resolution (1) above be waived, given the urgency of the decision as it was likely that a delay in progressing the development could seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interest.

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## Council – 12 July 2010

### Motions

The following motions have been submitted in accordance with the notice required by Standing Order 8(1) and are listed in the order received. The actual order in which they are debated will be determined by the party groups in accordance with Standing Order 5(3).

#### (1) BIN CHARGING

**Proposed** by Councillor Simon Holbrook

**Seconded** by Councillor Gill Gardiner

- (1) This Council welcomes the announcement by the Communities Secretary that powers to allow councils to charge households according to the amount of waste thrown out have been ruled out.
- (2) Council believes that local flexibility to operate household waste and recycling collection schemes according to what works best for that particular area is the best way to increase recycling rates.
- (3) Council is pleased to note the current high levels of bin collection rates in Wirral, the improvements to contract quality, service delivery and working practices that have been implemented over the last three years and congratulates the Director of Technical Services, the Waste Management Team and those councillors involved for their hard work in this area to achieve this.
- (4) Council also commends the positive response from Wirral residents and notes that our residents recycled more dry recycling than any other Merseyside district (2009/10).
- (5) However, Council also believes that more can to be done to divert waste away from landfill and further increase recycling.
- (6) Therefore, Council requests that the Director of Technical Services continues to examine new ways to reduce waste to landfill, such as through the introduction of food waste collections (taking account of existing work undertaken to date), the collection of recyclable material from businesses, increasing the range of recyclable material that can be taken to the council's recycling collection points and working with MWDA to increase the range of materials that can be placed in grey bins.
- (7) The Director is also requested to investigate the feasibility and cost effectiveness of introducing a recycling rewards scheme to incentivise households to do more to recycle.

## **(2) SCRAPPING OF COMPREHENSIVE AREA ASSESSMENT**

**Proposed** by Councillor Simon Holbrook

**Seconded** by Councillor Bob Moon

- (1) This Council welcomes the announcement by the Communities Secretary and the letter from the Audit Commission to Chief Executives and LSPs that all work on Comprehensive Area Assessment is to be ceased by the Audit Commission with immediate effect.
- (2) Council believes that Comprehensive Area Assessment was a wasteful, over-bureaucratic and ineffective way of assessing councils' and other public bodies' effectiveness and placed an unacceptable burden on councils in servicing the process.
- (3) Council welcomes the fact that resources now freed up from the inspection regime can be used more flexibly to ensure frontline services are delivered in the most effective and efficient way for local people.
- (4) Therefore, Council requests the Director of Corporate Services to:
  - (a) Ensure that the Authority does not participate in any targeted inspections that the Audit Commission wishes to carry out in Wirral, unless a robust rationale that demonstrates value for money and improved service delivery from carrying out that inspection can be provided by the Audit Commission to the satisfaction of the Authority.
  - (b) Review existing arrangements for policy and performance management across all council services and provide a report to Cabinet at the earliest opportunity on how capacity released by the ending of CAA might be harnessed more effectively.

## **(3) LAND AT OXTON ROAD / BALLS ROAD**

**Proposed** by Councillor Stuart Kelly

**Seconded** by Councillor Alan Brighouse

Council requests the relevant Cabinet Members and officers to investigate the possible consolidation of waste land in the Oxton Road / Balls Road East area of Birkenhead, including the use of Compulsory Purchase Orders and then subsequent marketing for family housing development in the area and to report on progress to a future appropriate meeting.

#### **(4) POSSIBLE ACADEMY SITES**

**Proposed** by Councillor Stuart Kelly  
**Seconded** by Councillor Ann Bridson

- (1) Council notes the decision of Cabinet of 27 May to 'go the extra mile in identifying an alternative site for the new academy'.
- (2) Council considers that the sites identified below should not be further investigated for the stated reasons:
  - (a) The site by Shaftesbury Youth Club playing fields – because the board of trustees have made it very clear that they would not be prepared to sell their land to the Council.
  - (b) The site of Prenton High School - because the land is subject to a PFI contract until 2031.
  - (c) The site of Bedford Drive Primary School – because there are no plans to close or relocate the School.
  - (d) The site of Hind Street former gasworks - because it is within 150m of two large gasometers.
  - (e) Land at Mersey Park Tranmere – because of the unacceptable loss of park land involved.

#### **(5) HUNG, SHOT OR GUILLOTINED?**

**Proposed** by Councillor Brian Kenny  
**Seconded** by Councillor Adrian Jones

This Council condemns the utter hypocrisy of the Conservative Liberal Democrat Alliance nationally and locally, which has initiated the most savage round of public sector cuts since the 1930s and then seeks ways of devolving the decisions on these cuts away from itself, both nationally and locally, either through a massive, tax payer funded, "consultation" exercise or by the new doctrine of "localism", devolving decision making down to a very local level, as far away as possible from the real decision takers.

Council believes that:

- (1) The people of Wirral and the employees of the Council are, in reality, being asked to decide whether they wish to be hung, shot or guillotined. Whichever choice they make, they will undoubtedly be blamed for their own death.
- (2) Devolving power under the new doctrine of localism will turn out to be the classic Tory scam, (camouflaged in warm words about local democracy and involvement), of passing the buck while cutting the money available to do anything useful.
- (3) The local consultation exercise, as currently mounted, will only serve to delay urgent decision making which, in turn, will mean cuts have to be even more

savage as time runs out to have decisions taken and implemented by April 1st, leading to only part year savings or the use of balances which both leave a hole in the next year's budget, and also have to be replaced, doubling the impact.

- (4) Any form of meaningful consultation would mean producing carefully costed and detailed options for saving and budget setting and giving the public the opportunity to choose between those costed options. Anything less is simply a cover to shift blame onto the public for the decisions that are taken, and even that still leaves the public and staff implicated in taking decisions against their own interests.
- (5) The first victims of the Tory scam are the Liberal Democrats who have been lured into an alliance with promises of greater local involvement and democracy, only to find out that this cherished policy will go the way of the campaign against VAT increases, and prove to be just another cover for Tory ruthlessness which will hurt the poorest most, devastate the people of Wirral, and ultimately benefit the wealthy in the Tory heartlands of the South East, all in an ideological drive to reduce the size and influence of the State sector.

#### **(6) "GHETTOS OF UNEMPLOYMENT"**

**Proposed** by Councillor Ann McLachlan

**Seconded** by Councillor George Davies

- (1) Council is outraged but not surprised by the comments made by Ian Duncan Smith where he suggests breaking up "ghettos of unemployment" and moving the unemployed instead into areas across the country where work is more freely available.
- (2) Council is outraged because the policies of this government will increase these "ghettos" by targeting the largest share of cuts on precisely those poorest areas where unemployment is highest.
- (3) Council believes that the government is fully aware of the fact that where the public sector provides a high proportion of jobs, the public and private sector are co-dependent and any cuts in the public sector will have a direct knock on to the private sector, creating major job losses across a region like Merseyside with little chance of recovery.
- (4) Council is outraged but not surprised that the Tory solution is then to move the unemployed away from their home areas, and their own support networks, which often provide valuable assistance in child care, and mutual support when times are hard, making it even more difficult for them to hold down jobs in a new place, presumably in the overcrowded South East where there is already a major housing crisis. This is simply the old, familiar Norman Tebbit "Get on your bike" Tory philosophy.



- (5) Council roundly condemns this crazy, ill thought out and ugly policy which demonstrates just how far removed from reality the current millionaire, Eton based Cabinet ministers are.

## **(7) THE STATE OF THE COUNCIL'S FINANCES**

**Proposed** by Councillor Phil Davies

**Seconded** by Councillor Jean Stapleton

This Council recognises that the previous administration left the Council's finances in a healthy state and rejects any accusation that it built up unreasonable and unsustainable debts.

## **(8) THE BUDGET**

**Proposed** by Councillor Phil Davies

**Seconded** by Councillor Steve Foulkes

- (1) This Council recognises that action needs to be taken to address the financial challenges arising from the global recession. However, it notes that according to the Institute of Fiscal Studies, the measures set out by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in the Budget on the 22 June, are "regressive" with cuts to public services which will hit "poorer households significantly harder than richer households".
- (2) Council condemns:
- (i) The £5.5m of cuts in revenue which the government has instructed this Council to find in this financial year, and the £4m loss of Capital. This is part of the £6bn of cuts which during the general election campaign the Liberal Democrats argued was unnecessary.
  - (ii) The proposed increase in VAT from 17.5% to 20%. This will be profoundly regressive and breaks an explicit promise made during the election by both the Conservatives and the Liberal Democrats.
  - (iii) The proposed cuts of £11bn in welfare benefits which will hit the poorest members of communities the hardest.
  - (iv) The proposed 25% cuts in departmental spending, which, if applied to Local Government grant, would leave Wirral needing to find up to £100m cuts over three years. Again, these departmental cuts will impact disproportionately on people in the poorest communities who rely more on public services than residents elsewhere.
- (3) Council notes that the motion passed by the Cabinet on the 24 June fails to identify a single penny of savings and proposes measures such as the ending of sandwiches for members which will realise a tiny fraction of the savings targets

for the next 3 years. Furthermore, the announcement of 8 reviews of various issues indicates that the administration has no clear vision of the future.

- (4) Council calls on the ruling coalition to lobby their government to reverse their cuts which will bring huge job losses and misery to hundreds of Wirral residents and adopt the more reasonable deficit-reduction plan proposed by the Labour Party which had already started to reduce the deficit and placed greater emphasis on asking those on higher incomes to pay more and avoided cuts to front-line services.
- (5) Council condemns the utter hypocrisy of the Liberal Democrats who, by agreeing to measures such as an increase in VAT, have surrendered any claims to be a Party of progressive values and are helping to deliver the ideological agenda of the right wing of the Tory Party. Council recognises that the Labour Party is now the only progressive Party in Britain and calls on all those who previously supported the Lib Dems to join Labour and help defend the attacks on public services and the poorest members of the community by the coalition government.

## **(9) FREE SWIMMING**

**Proposed** by Councillor Darren Dodd

**Seconded** by Councillor Denise Roberts

- (1) Council condemns the decision of the National Con/Dem alliance to withdraw free swimming for children and pensioners.
- (2) Council further notes with dismay that Wirral's Conservative / Liberal Democrat coalition has only guaranteed free swimming until September, despite the fact that free swimming both for children and for the elderly was agreed and paid for from within the Council's own budget before any government subsidies were introduced and that this Labour initiative was a trail blazer for other local authorities and for the government.
- (3) Council agrees that any move to axe free swimming would be a false economy and work in direct opposition to the Corporate Priority of increasing Health and Well Being for all, and act against the agreed drive to reduce childhood obesity, and to keep elderly people as fit as possible for as long as possible in order to improve their quality of life and reduce the need for any early care interventions.
- (4) Council notes that the Coalition as part of their agreement together have signed up to the Corporate Plan and the Corporate Priorities.
- (5) Council further notes that being able to swim is also a matter of safety for Wirral residents who live on a peninsula surrounded on three sides by water and demands that the administration guarantees free swimming on a permanent basis.