

# COUNCIL

Monday, 8 December 2014

Present: The Civic Mayor (Councillor Steve Foulkes) in the Chair  
Deputy Civic Mayor (Councillor Les Rowlands)

Councillor	RL Abbey	J Hale	D Realey
	T Anderson	P Hayes	L Reecejones
	C Blakeley	A Hodson	L Rennie
	E Boulton	K Hodson	D Roberts
	A Brighthouse	M Hornby	J Salter
	P Brightmore	T Johnson	H Smith
	P Cleary	AER Jones	Tony Smith
	W Clements	C Jones	W Smith
	J Crabtree	S Kelly	C Spriggs
	M Daniel	A Leech	J Stapleton
	G Davies	AR McLachlan	M Sullivan
	P Davies	M McLaughlin	A Sykes
	WJ Davies	C Meaden	J Walsh
	P Doughty	D Mitchell	G Watt
	D Elderton	B Mooney	S Whittingham
	G Ellis	C Muspratt	J Williamson
	L Fraser	S Niblock	I Williams
	P Gilchrist	T Norbury	KJ Williams
	JE Green	M Patrick	S Williams
	R Gregson	T Pilgrim	
	P Hackett	C Povall	

Apologies Councillor B Berry P Williams  
C Carubia

## 66 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the Council were asked to consider whether they had any disclosable pecuniary interests and/or any other relevant 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.

By virtue of their being Board Members of Magenta Living, Councillors Steve Foulkes, Jeff Green, Denise Roberts and Stuart Whittingham declared a personal interest in agenda item 12 – ‘Vacancies’ (see minute 82 post).

Councillors Geoffrey Watt, Cherry Povall, Steve Williams declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item 11 (iv) – ‘Notices of Motion – Selective

Licensing Scheme' (see minute 85 post) by virtue of them being private landlords.

Councillor Irene Williams declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 11 (iv) – 'Notices of Motion – Selective Licensing Scheme' (see minute 85 post) by virtue of her employment.

Councillor Andrew Hodson declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item agenda item 12 – 'Vacancies' (see minute 82 post) by virtue of his business involvement with Magenta Homes

By virtue of their membership of the Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority, Councillors Lesley Rennie, Denise Roberts, Steve Niblock and Jean Stapleton declared a personal interest in Notices of Motion 2 and 3 (see minutes 83 and 84 post) 'No Fire Station in the Centre of Greasby' and 'Government's Fire and Rescue Service Cuts'.

#### 67 **CIVIC MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor noted that apologies were received from Councillors Bruce Berry, Chris Carubia and Pat Williams.

#### 68 **PETITIONS**

In accordance with Standing Order 21, the Mayor received petitions submitted by –

Councillor Mike Sullivan on behalf of 86 signatories objecting to the granting of a late licence to the Texaco Garage, Pensby Road.

Councillor Geoffrey Watt on behalf of 26 signatories supporting the proposed safety pavement at entrance gates Calday Grammar School

Councillor Tom Anderson on behalf of a further 2816 signatories objecting to any proposed fire station in Greasby Village.

**Resolved – That the petitions be noted and referred to the appropriate Chief Officer in accordance with Standing Order 34.**

#### 69 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

Mr J Brace, having given the appropriate notice in accordance with Standing Order 11, submitted a question on the BIG (Business Investment Grant) and ISUS (Intensive Startup Scheme) and the Special Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting of the 8th October 2014

Councillor Jim Crabtree (Chair of the Audit and Risk Management Committee) responded accordingly.

## 70 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 October, 2014 had been circulated to Members and subject to the amendment of minute 35 with reference to Councillor Muspratt's Declaration of Interest to read 'a serving member of the Armed Forces', it was –

**Resolved – That the minutes be approved and adopted as a correct record.**

## 71 **LEADER'S, EXECUTIVE MEMBERS' AND CHAIRS' REPORTS**

The Leader of the Council presented his summary report upon matters relevant to his portfolio. He responded to questions from Councillors Jeff Green, Chris Blakeley, Leah Fraser and made a number of comments including –

- A sensible and pragmatic decision was made to halt the senior management structure until the new Chief executive was appointed. Proposals for the senior management structure would be included as part of the budget resolution to be presented to Cabinet.
- He was not in principle in favour of a directly Elected Mayor for the City Region and believed that the Region currently had the best model with the Leaders of each Authority; if this was to change the people of Wirral should decide by holding a referendum. He was keen to meet with the Chancellor of the Exchequer to see what could be negotiated and had written to him but was yet to receive a reply.
- He welcomed the money given by Secretary of State for the pilot project to improve health and employment opportunities, but stated that the Government had cut over £150m from the Council and introduced the Bedroom Tax.

Questions were then invited for Councillor Ann McLachlan on her Governance, Commissioning and Improvement Portfolio report. Her responses to a question from Councillor Jerry Williams included the following comment –

- The Transparency code was introduced by Government to ensure that all Council's were open and transparent in relation to the information they produced and the decision they made. Officers were currently working on this to ensure that all Council's information was open to public as required by the Code.

At this point the Mayor reminded all Members that it was not polite to use electronic devices whilst Members were addressing the Council.

Questions were then invited for Councillor George Davies on the Neighbourhoods, Housing and Engagement Portfolio report. His response to a question from Councillor Phil Gilchrist included the following comment –

- In respect of proposed plans for the Acre Lane site, a written response would be provided as to the plans to include social housing.

Questions were then invited for Councillor Pat Hackett on his Economy Portfolio report. His responses to questions from Councillors Rob Gregson and Dave Mitchell included the following comments –

- There were a number of recent developments, including Wirral Waters; new college in Tower Road by September 2015; a Skills and Enterprise Centre; development in Tower Wharf and the Birkenhead Town Centre Plan which was a priority for this Council.
- In respect of proposed plans for the regeneration of Birkenhead Town Centre, discussions were still ongoing with Neptune Developments. A full consultation would take place in due course, including exhibitions and surveys.

Questions were then invited for Councillor Adrian Jones on his Support Services Portfolio report. His responses to questions from Councillors Pat Cleary, Matt Daniel and Jeff Green included the following comments –

- The roll-out of Office 10 had started and had been the preferred package as it was felt that this compared to other packages could be better supported and safeguarded, a further written response would be provided.
- In relation to the building collapse on King Street, Wallasey, investigations had indicated that the structures had been altered and the building had not been properly supported, discussions were now being held as to the future use of the empty land.
- In respect of the national pay award a full written response would be provided.

Questions were then invited for Councillor Chris Jones on the Adult Social Care and Public Health Portfolio report. Her responses to questions from Councillors Jeff Green and Alan Brighouse included the following comments –

- In relation to Day Services the business case, implementation and project plans and report in relation to the due diligence undertaken had all now been through an internal financial challenge, the project was now progressing.

- She extended an invitation to any Member wishing to attend future spotlight sessions and yes she would encourage people to cycle and walk more.

Questions were then invited for Councillor Chris Meaden on her Leisure, Sport and Culture Portfolio report, questions were then invited for Councillor Chris Meaden. She responded to questions from Councillors Tom Anderson and Andrew Hodson and her response included the following comment:

- She was unaware that Irby Library had been closed on numerous occasions but would investigate and provide a written response.

Questions were then invited for Councillor Bernie Mooney on her Environment and Sustainability Portfolio report. Her response to a question from Councillor Pat Cleary included the following comment –

- There were proposals to look at food waste collections as part of the recycling contract.

Questions were then invited for Councillor Tony Smith on his Children and Families Services report. His response to a question from Councillor Treena Johnson included the following comments:

- He gave an update on the progress of targeted services

Questions were then invited for Councillor Stuart Whittingham on his Highways and Transport Portfolio report. His responses to questions from Councillors Treena Johnston, Harry Smith, and Janette Williamson included the following comments:

- The new Salt Storage Barn was part of the asset strategy and would be a modern facility.
- BAM Nuttall have signed up to the fair payment charter.

Questions were then invited for the Policy and Performance Committee Chairs on their report. No questions were posed and it was then –

**Resolved –**

**(1) That each of the Cabinet Portfolio Summary reports be noted.**

**(2) That the report of the Policy and Performance Committee Chairs be noted.**

72 **MATTERS REQUIRING APPROVAL BY THE COUNCIL**

In accordance with Standing Order 5(2), five matters were submitted for approval by the Council (see minutes 73 to 77 post).

73 **CORPORATE PLAN 2015-2016**

The first matter requiring approval was in relation to the Corporate Plan and the recommendations of Cabinet at its meeting 27 November 2014 (minute 99 refers).

An amendment was moved by Councillor Phil Gilchrist and seconded by Councillor Dave Mitchell –

Council notes the sense of excitement and progress that the corporate plan intends to convey.

Council believes that this will be undermined if the controlling Labour Cabinet fails to pay due regard to the recent budget consultation.

Since the plan talks about '*ensuring that our vision, priorities and spending decisions are based on sound evidence, thorough analysis and understanding of community needs*' there are a number of areas where the Cabinet needs to match such sentiments with its actions.

Therefore these policy areas will lead to public confusion and cynicism if the Cabinet's future actions fall short of the hopes expressed.

- The plan says "*pupils should have access to a safe, healthy school environment*"

but will this be the case if there are insufficient crossing patrols to achieve this.

- The plan says it will "*ensure residents have access to green and open spaces*" but will this be ensured if residents are deterred by parking charges at the country parks.

- The plan says it will "*achieve warmer and safer homes*" but will this be achieved if the Cabinet, as in recent months, cuts the Public Health budget for healthy homes.

- The plan says it will "*build on the assets already in our communities*" but the assets will be reduced in our communities if the Cabinet does not respond to public concern about library opening times and youth and play facilities.

- The plan says it is "*empowering*" local residents "*in their communities*" but the Cabinet will not have built up community resilience if reductions in the availability of grit and grit bins are brought in.

• This latest plan also states...

*'It is of the utmost importance that we safeguard our vulnerable people and deliver our services with empathy at all times'*. The decision on the future of the Lyndale School, currently awaited, will be a litmus test or touchstone of this statement and a test of whether *'sound evidence'* and *'thorough analysis'* is being applied in practice.

Council therefore is not in a position to endorse the plan until it is clear that the laudable sentiments of the plan are adhered to and demonstrated in practice, particularly by the Cabinet.

Following a debate and Councillor Phil Davies having replied, the amendment proposed by Councillor Gilchrist was put and lost (24:37) (Two abstentions).

The motion was put and carried (37:25) (One abstention)

**Resolved (37:25) (One abstention) – That the recommendations contained within Cabinet minute 99 be approved.**

#### 74 **TRANSITIONAL PAY POLICY**

The second matter requiring approval was in relation to the Transitional Pay Policy and the recommendations of Cabinet at its meeting 27 November 2014 (minute 101 refers).

On a motion by Councillor P Davies, seconded by Councillor Ann McLachlan, it was –

**Resolved (62:0) (One abstention) – That the recommendations contained within Cabinet minute 101, be approved.**

#### 75 **PROPOSED MERGER OF THE WIRRAL AND LIVERPOOL CORONER AREAS AND CORONER SERVICES**

The third matter requiring approval was in relation to the Proposed Merger of the Wirral and Liverpool Coroner Areas and Coroner Services and the recommendations of Cabinet at its meeting 27 November 2014 (minute 100 refers).

On a motion by Councillor P Davies seconded by Councillor Ann McLachlan, it was –

**Resolved (61:0) (Two abstentions) – That the recommendations contained within Cabinet minute 100, be approved.**

76 **CAR PARKING SCRUTINY REVIEW**

The fourth matter requiring approval was in relation to the Car Parking Scrutiny Review the recommendations of Cabinet at its meeting 6 November 2014 (minute 91 refers).

On a motion by Councillor P Davies, seconded by Councillor Ann McLachlan, it was –

**Resolved (61:1) (One abstention) – That the recommendations contained within Cabinet minute 91, be approved.**

77 **EMPLOYMENT AND APPOINTMENTS PANELS**

The fifth matter requiring approval was in relation to the Employment and Appointments Panels and the recommendations at its meeting 24 November 2014 (minute 3 refers).

In relation to Part (1) of the resolution – Employment and Appointments Panel (Chief Executive). Two amendments which had been circulated in advance of the meeting were submitted in accordance with Standing Order 12(1) and (9). It was moved, as follows

Prior to first amendment being introduced Councillor P Gilchrist indicated that the seconder Councillor Chris Carubia had tendered his apologies to the meeting therefore proposed that Councillor Dave Mitchell under Standing Order 7(3) be allowed to second this amendment.

**First amendment –**

**Proposed** by Councillor Phil Gilchrist  
**Seconded** by Councillor Dave Mitchell

*“Delete section 1 and replace it with...*

Council notes

- A) the detailed comparisons made with other authorities and
- B) the external advice provided by representatives of the Local Government Association and Penna.

Council considers, however,

i) that the work of the Chief Executive in Wirral is supported by a series of Strategic Directors

ii) comparisons made with other authorities should look at the period and the financial climate in which their Chief Executives took up their posts

iii) the salary of the Chief Executive should not be more than ten times that of the lowest grade employee

iv) increasing the salary of the Chief Executive at a time when officers are being re-organised and evaluated is inappropriate

v) increasing the salary to the level proposed sends the wrong message to the workforce and taxpayers.

vi. An in depth performance appraisal of the successful applicant will be undertaken after one year's employment with a view to determining whether the salary should be enhanced.

In the light of these considerations the proposed salary should be advertised at the present level”

### **Second amendment -**

**Proposed** by Councillor Jeff Green

**Seconded** by Councillor Lesley Rennie

*“Amend paragraph (1) as follows:*

#### First paragraph:

Delete “The current salary of the Chief Executive is not sufficiently competitive given the size and scope of the authority” from the first paragraph so as to only leave ‘Wirral Council is the ninth largest metropolitan authority in the country.’

#### Second paragraph

This paragraph be revised to read as follows:

The Council notes the external advice from the Local Government Association and Penna Plc, acting recruitment consultants, and the Panel's recommendations with regards to the salary range (£155,000 - £175,000 per annum) and final determination, of the Chief Executive's salary.

However, Council believes that it is incumbent on councillors of all parties to demonstrate the clear understanding that every pound the Council spends on itself is a pound less it can spend on services for Wirral residents and believes a salary of £175,000 (plus on costs) taking it over £200,000 per annum is unacceptable.

Council is concerned that, at the same time it is being asked to put in place increased transitional pay arrangements for staff who are facing huge salary cuts, Labour councillors appear determined to spend £1 million over the next 5 years on a new Chief Executive without first checking to see if a Chief Executive can be:

- (i) shared with another Authority, or
- (ii) recruited at the current salary level (£121,807 - £135,341)

Council therefore recommends that the Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development **first** reports on the progress of these recommendations at the next Employment and Appointments Panel meeting and before any final decision on the salary range of the Chief Executive by Council and any recruitment exercise is undertaken.”

Following a debate and Councillor Phil Davies having replied, the first amendment was put and lost (25:37) (One abstention).

Prior to the vote on the second amendment, Councillor Jeff Green and five Conservative Members rose to request a ‘card vote’

A ‘card vote’ was then taken on the second amendment and the Council divided as follows:

For the amendment (24) Councillors T Anderson, C Blakeley, E Boulton, A Brighthouse, Mrs W Clements, D Elderton, G Ellis, L Fraser, P Gilchrist, J Green, J Hale, P Hayes, A Hodson, K Hodson, M Hornby, S Kelly, D Mitchell, T Pilgrim, C Povall, Mrs L Rennie, L Rowlands, A Sykes, G Watt, and S Williams.

Against the Amendment (37) Councillors R Abbey, P Brightmore, J Crabtree, M Daniel, G Davies, P Davies, W Davies, P Doughty, R Gregson, P Hackett, T Johnson, A Jones, C Jones, A Leech, A McLachlan, M McLaughlin, C Meaden, B Mooney, C Muspratt, S Niblock, T Norbury, M Patrick, D Realey, L Reecejones, D Roberts, J Salter, H Smith, PA Smith, W Smith, C Spriggs, J Stapleton, M Sullivan, J Walsh, S Whittingham, I Williams, KJ Williams and J Williamson.

Two abstentions – Councillors S Foulkes and P Cleary.

The second amendment was therefore lost (24:37) (Two abstentions).

Prior to the vote on the recommendation contained within part (1) of the resolution, Councillor Jeff Green and five Conservative Members rose to request a ‘card vote’

A 'card vote' was then taken on the recommendation contained within Part 1 and the Council divided as follows:

For (37) Councillors R Abbey, P Brightmore, J Crabtree, M Daniel, G Davies, P Davies, W Davies, P Doughty, R Gregson, P Hackett, T Johnson, A Jones, C Jones, A Leech, A McLachlan, M McLaughlin, C Meaden, B Mooney, C Muspratt, S Niblock, T Norbury, M Patrick, D Realey, L Reecejones, D Roberts, J Salter, H Smith, PA Smith, W Smith, C Spriggs, J Stapleton, M Sullivan, J Walsh, S Whittingham, I Williams, KJ Williams and J Williamson.

Against (25) Councillors T Anderson, C Blakeley, E Boulton, A Brighthouse, P Cleary, Mrs W Clements, D Elderton, G Ellis, L Fraser, P Gilchrist, J Green, J Hale, P Hayes, A Hodson, K Hodson, M Hornby, S Kelly, D Mitchell, T Pilgrim, C Povall, Mrs L Rennie, L Rowlands, A Sykes, G Watt, and S Williams.

One abstention – Councillor S Foulkes.

**Resolved (37:25) (One abstention) – That the recommendations contained within part (1) of the resolution of the Employment and Appointments Panel (Chief Executive) on 24 November 2014, be approved.**

On a motion by Councillor P Davies, seconded by Councillor Ann McLachlan in relation to recommendations (4) and (5) of the Employment and Appointment Panel (Chief Executive) on 24 November 2014 it was –

**Resolved (61:1) (Councillor Chris Blakeley voting against) (One abstention) – That the recommendations contained within minute 3, recommendations (4) and (5) of the Employment and Appointments Panel (Chief Executive) on 24 November 2014, be approved.**

On a motion by Councillor P Davies, seconded by Councillor Ann McLachlan in relation to minute 3 in part (2) of the Employment and Appointments Panel (Director of Resources ) on 24 November 2014 it was –

**Resolved (62:0) (One abstention) – That the recommendations contained within part (2) of the resolution of minute 3 of the Employment and Appointments Panel (Director of Resources) on 24 November 2014, be approved.**

The Mayor then adjourned the meeting at 8.15pm for a short break.

The meeting resumed at 8.25pm

78 **MATTERS FOR NOTING**

On a motion by Councillor Phil Davies and seconded by Councillor Ann McLachlan, it was –

**Resolved – That the following matters be noted -**

**Minute 61 (Cabinet – 9 October 2014) – Financial Monitoring 2014/2015 (Month 5) – Revenue.**

**Minute 62 (Cabinet – 9 October 2014) – Financial Monitoring 2014/2015 (Month 5) – Capital.**

**Minute 79 (Cabinet – 6 November 2014) – Financial Monitoring 2014/2015 (Month 6) – Revenue.**

**Minute 80 (Cabinet – 6 November 2014) – Financial Monitoring 2014/2015 (Month 6) – Capital.**

**Minute 92 (Cabinet – 6 November 2014) – Youth Employment Gateway (Youth Contract Underspend) (Reason – waiving of call-in).**

79 **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

Councillor Phil Gilchrist, having given the appropriate notice in accordance with Standing Order 10(2) (b), submitted a question addressed to Councillor Phil Davies (Leader of the Council), in respect of working relationships with Cheshire West and Chester Council

Councillor Phil Davies responded accordingly.

80 **MATTERS REFERRED FROM POLICY AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEES**

A matter had been referred to the Council by the Families and Wellbeing Policy and Performance Committee, in accordance with Standing Order 7(5) (see minute 81 post).

81 **BECOMING A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COUNCIL - COMMITTEE REFERRAL**

At the meeting of the Council held on 14 July 2014 (minute 17 refers) the Mayor had referred a Notice of Motion 'Becoming a Dementia Friendly Council' to the Families and Wellbeing Policy and Performance Committee. The motion was duly considered at the meeting of the Committee on 9 September 2014 (minute 15 refers).

In accordance with Standing Order 7 (5) the Council was invited to consider the recommendation of the Families and Wellbeing Policy and Performance Committee which advised that –

The Notice of Motion be supported and the Council be advised accordingly.

On a Motion by Councillor Moira McLaughlin, seconded by Councillor Phil Davies, it was

**Resolved – That the Motion be agreed as follows:**

- (1) the Council be advised that the Families and Wellbeing Policy and Performance Committee fully supports the Notice of Motion in relation to Becoming a Dementia Friendly Council; and**
- (2) the Chief Executive be requested to implement a training programme for all staff and elected members.**

## 82 NOTICES OF MOTION

Notices of Motion submitted in accordance with Standing Order 7(1) were reported to the Council. The Mayor having considered each motion, in accordance with Standing Order 7(4) had decided that they would be dealt with as follows:

- (i). No Fire Station in the Centre of Greasby  
To be debated
- (ii). Government's Fire and Rescue Service Cuts  
To be debated
- (iii). Selective Licensing  
To be debated
- (iv). The Corporate Plan's Ideals in Practice  
To be referred to the Cabinet.

In accordance with Standing Order 12(2) the Mayor suggested that as motions (i) and (ii) were of similar subjects, both motions be dealt with together.

This was duly moved by Councillor P Davies, seconded by Councillor Jeff Green and agreed. That the motions (i) and (ii) be dealt with in one debate but with separate votes on each.

83 **MOTION - NO FIRE STATION IN THE CENTRE OF GREASBY**

**Proposed by** Councillor Tom Anderson  
**Seconded by** Councillor Wendy Clements

Council acknowledges the overwhelming public opposition to a fire station on the site of Greasby Library.

Council notes that this concern relates to the specific site, not to the policy of merging of fire stations.

Council impresses upon Cabinet:

- (1) not to gift, sell, lease the land concerned at the centre of Greasby, because of the value it has for the community; and
- (2) to ask officers to work co-operatively with Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service in identifying and facilitating a more suitable site for operational purposes and to maintain the amenity of the local people.

Following an intervention from the Mayor, the Head of Legal and Member Services advised the Council that the issues raised by Councillor Anderson in his address did not give rise to any particular issues for members of the Planning Committee.

Following a combined debate and Councillor Tom Anderson having waived his right to reply, the motion was put and carried (60:1) (one abstention).

84 **MOTION -GOVERNMENT'S FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE CUTS**

**Proposed by** Councillor Phil Davies  
**Seconded by** Councillor Adrian Jones

Council welcomes the announcement by the Leader of the Council to withdraw the Council-owned land in the centre of Greasby from consideration for a new fire station.

Given the Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority's obligation to maximise the protection of lives, and of property, it is inevitable that the location of Fire Stations may, from time to time, conflict with local preferences particularly where such structures may detract from the established scenic value of the MFRA's preferred locations.

The Government's devastating and unfair cuts to MFRA's budget have resulted in the unavoidable need to cut the number of Fire Stations in Wirral. The Fire and Rescue Authority's preferred location of a single Fire Station on a site in the centre of Greasby was based on its assessment of life saving

response times. However, this would result in the loss of a much loved local green space.

The Council is asked to continue to work with the Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority to identify an alternative site in the greater Greasby area.

Following a combined debate and Councillor Phil Davies having replied, the motion was put and carried (41:20) (One abstention)

**Resolved (41:20) (One abstention) – That the Motion be approved.**

Councillor Bill Davies suggested that Standing Order 9 be suspended to allow debates on the final motion referred for debate. It was agreed that Standing Order 9 be suspended.

## 85 **MOTION - SELECTIVE LICENSING SCHEME**

**Proposed** by Councillor George Davies  
**Seconded** by Councillor Bernie Mooney

Council welcomes the introduction of Selective Licensing of private landlords in four designated areas of the Borough. The four areas are known as Super Output Areas as identified by Government data.

The anticipated success of this scheme will enable us to move into other areas, where there is a similar shortage of good quality affordable homes.

Council therefore seeks the support of all parties in ensuring that Selective Licensing is endorsed and championed to raise the standard of private rented accommodation for all Wirral residents.

Following a debate and Councillor George Davies having replied, the motion was put and carried (53:1) (One abstention)

**Resolved (53:1) (One abstention) – That the Motion be approved.**

## 86 **VACANCIES**

The Council was requested to deal with the following matters in respect of appointments to Committees and outside organisations.

### Outside Bodies

#### **Wirral Metropolitan College Governing Body**

Julia Hassall to replace David Armstrong.  
(appointed for a 4 year term to 23 October 2018)

**Magenta Living – Governance and Membership Committee**

Councillor George Davies to be appointed to the Magenta Living – Governance and Membership Committee

**West Kirby Charities**

Mr David Stevenson be re-appointed until 30 October 2018

**Resolved – That the appointments and amendments to the membership of the Committee and outside body listed above, be approved.**