

# SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL

## Meeting of The Council

**Date: Thursday, 20th October, 2022**

**Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite**

**Present:** Councillor K Robinson (Chair)  
Councillors B Beggs, M Berry, M Borton, H Boyd, K Buck, S Buckley, L Burton, P Collins, J Courtenay, D Cowan, T Cowdrey, T Cox, M Davidson, A Dear, M Dent, F Evans, K Evans, N Folkard, D Garston, S George, I Gilbert, S Habermel, J Harland, B Hooper, L Hyde, D Jarvis, A Jones, D Jones, M Kelly, J Lamb, A Line, R McMullan, K Mitchell, J Moyies, C Mulroney, K Murphy, M O'Connor, M Sadza, L Salter, I Shead, M Stafford, M Terry, A Thompson, S Wakefield, C Walker, N Ward, J Warren and R Woodley

**Start/End Time:** 6.30 pm - 9.50 pm

### 370 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Nelson and Wexham.

### 371 Declarations of Interest

- **Councillor Borton**

- **Development Control Committee – 6 July 2022**

- 22/00899/FULH (24 Old School Court, Shoeburyness) – Whilst at the site visit an occupant of one of the adjacent properties to the application introduced themselves who the Councillor had met during her mayoral year at an event organised by the YMCA;

- **Licensing Sub-Committee B – 11 August 2022**

- Minute 218 (East Beach, Shoeburyness Application for Grant of Premises Licence) – The application has been submitted by the Council and the staff in attendance to present the application were known to her;

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 30 August 2022**

- Minute 239 (Leisure Services) – Non-Executive Director on Board of South Essex Homes mentioned in the report;

- **Councillor Boyd**

- **Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

- Minute 364 (Draft Private Rented Sector Housing Enforcement Policy 2022) - Local private sector landlord of property within Southend-on-Sea.

- **Councillor Burton**

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 31 August 2022**

- Minute 256 (Passenger Transport Services – Performance Monitoring) – Employed as a teacher at a school outside Southend-on-Sea;

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

- Minute 356 (Passenger Transport Services - Performance Monitoring) Employed as a teacher at a school outside Southend-on-Sea that has pupils that are resident within the City.

- **Councillor Collins**

- **Development Control Committee – 6 July 2022**

- 21/00161/FULM (659-665 London Road, Westcliff-on-Sea) – Has spoken to residents about this application but expressed no opinion on the matter; 22/01051/FUL (366 Rayleigh Road, Eastwood) – On prior applications on this site received numerous communications and has reported back on those previous applications and their outcomes and have made no comment about this application before the Committee;

- **Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 1 September 2022**

- Minute 265 (Fees and Charges Update) – Lobbied by residents with regard to the introduction of charges for Zone 3 car park within ward;

- **Councillor Cowdrey**

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

- Minute 350 (Resourcing Better Outcomes - Finance and Corporate Performance Report 2022/23) - Member of Southend Fostering Panel; Minute 351 (Options for the Procurement of the Voluntary Sector Infrastructure Contract) - Practice educator for social work student at Citizen's Advice; Minute 355 (SEND Peer Review) and Minute 356 (Passenger Transport Services - Performance Monitoring) - Practice educator for social work student at St. Nicholas Special School;

- **Councillor Davidson**

- **Audit Committee – 20 July 2022**

- Minute 176 (Head of Internal Audit Annual Report) – Executive Director of South Essex Homes (SEH);

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 30 August 2022**

- Minute 239 (Leisure Services) – Non-Executive Director on Board of South Essex Homes mentioned in the report;

- **Councillor Dear**

**Licensing Sub-Committee B – 11 August 2022**

Minute 218 (East Beach, Shoeburyness Application for Grant of Premises Licence) – The application has been submitted by the Council and the staff in attendance to present the application were known to him;

- **Councillor Faye Evans**

**Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Minute 364 (Draft Private Rented Sector Housing Enforcement Policy 2022)  
- Local private sector landlord of property within Southend-on-Sea.

- **Councillor Keith Evans**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Minute 351 (Options for the Procurement of the Voluntary Sector Infrastructure Contract) - Family member employed by the Trust Links mental health and wellbeing charity.

- **Councillor D Garston**

**Development Control Committee – 27 July 2022**

22/01046/FUL (32 Cobham Road, Westcliff-on-Sea) – The agent who responded to the public speaker is known to him;

- **Councillor Gilbert**

**Place Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Minute No. 337 (City Centre Strategy & Investment Plan) – Place of employment is located close to City Centre;

- **Councillor Hyde**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 31 August 2022**

Minute 254 (Annual Public Health Report) – Mother works for EPUT;

**Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 1 September 2022**

Minute 265 (Fees and Charges Update) – Voluntary youth group leader within Southend-on-Sea;

Minute 266 (Association of South Essex Local Authorities – Joint Committee) – Employer involved with Freeports;

### **Place Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Minute No. 338 (Endorsement of Transport East Transport Strategy) – Subject matter refers to a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (main employment) (withdrew for this item);

- **Councillor Hooper**

### **People Scrutiny Committee – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Minute 355 (SEND Peer Review) - Director of Blade Education, a not-for-profit company that works with local SEND children and MENCAP.

- **Councillor A Jones**

### **Development Control Committee – 6 July 2022**

21/00161/FULM (659-665 London Road, Westcliff-on-Sea) – Neighbouring shop premises has been acquired by SVP, an organisation known to her;

### **Licensing Sub-Committee A – 17 August 2022**

Minute 221 (The Ironworks, 90 The High Street Application for Grant of Premises Licence) – Had met the Applicant during the course of her work. The interest was not so significant to disqualify from considering the application.

### **Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 1 September 2022**

Minute 266 (Association of South Essex Local Authorities – Joint Committee) – Partner employed by a member organisation of the ASELA partnership;

### **Place Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Minute No. 336 (Resourcing Better Outcomes – Finance and Corporate Performance Report 2022/23 – Period 4) – Civic Tower Block is mentioned and two of her sons are employed at the Council but work from home most of the time;

Minute 337 (City Centre Strategy & Investment Plan) – Buses and C2C mentioned and two of her sons work in those organisations;

Minute 338 (Endorsement of Transport East Transport Strategy) – Husband works for Fords and in the port, a son works for C2C, a son works for the Council's Strategic Passenger Transport and another son works in skills and recruitment within the Council.

### **Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Minute 362 (Resourcing Better Outcomes – Finance and Corporate Performance Report 2022/23 – Period 4) - Family member employed on a temporary contract by the Council.

- **Councillor Line**

- **Licensing Sub-Committee A – 17 August 2022**

- Minute 221 (The Ironworks, 90 The High Street Application for Grant of Premises Licence) – Had met the Applicant during the course of his work. The interest was not so significant to disqualify from considering the application.

- **Councillor McMullan**

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 30 August 2022**

- Minute 234 (Questions from members of the public) – One of the questioners is known to him as a member of the Liberal Democrat Party;

- **Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 1 September 2022**

- Minute 265 (Fees and Charges Update) – Lobbied by residents with regard to the introduction of charges for Zone 3 car park within ward;

- **Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

- Minute 364 (Draft Private Rented Sector Housing Enforcement Policy 2022) - Local private sector landlord of property within Southend-on-Sea.

- **Councillor Mitchell**

- **Cabinet – 26 July 2022**

- Minute 191 (Corporate Risk Register) and Minute 192 (Annual Public Health Report) – A Better Start Southend (ABSS) is in partnership with Hamlet Court Road in Harmony Community Group – the Councillor is the Chair of this group;

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 31 August 2022**

- Minute 254 (Annual Public Health Report) – Chair of Hamlet Court Road in Harmony Community Group working with ABSS who are mentioned in the report;

- **Health and Wellbeing Board – 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

- Minute 299 (A Better Start Southend (ABSS) is in partnership with Hamlet Court Road in Harmony Community Group – the Councillor is the Chair of this group;

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

- Minute 351 (Options for the Procurement of the Voluntary Sector Infrastructure Contract) - The Council's appointed representative on the Southend Association of Voluntary Services Board and the Chair of the 'Hamlet Court Road in Harmony' group that has received Community Investment Board funding.

- **Councillor Mulroney**

**Development Control Committee – 27 July 2022**

22/01046/FUL (32 Cobham Road, Westcliff-on-Sea) – The objector who spoke at the meeting is known to her;

- **Councillor Murphy**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 31 August 2022**

Minute 254 (Annual Public Health Report) – works for the NHS;

- **Councillor Sadza**

**Development Control Committee – 6 July 2022**

22/01015/FUL (1-3 Westcliff Avenue, Westcliff-on-Sea) – Attended site visit with developers and other Milton Councillors;

**Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Minute 364 (Draft Private Rented Sector Housing Enforcement Policy 2022) - Member of the ACORN community union.

- **Councillor Salter**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 31 August 2022**

Minute 254 (Annual Public Health Report) – Husband is a consultant surgeon at Southend Hospital; Daughter is a consultant at Basildon Hospital; Son-in-law is a GP in Southend-on-Sea;

**Health and Wellbeing Board – 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

Minute 300 (ICS Update) and Minute 302 (Developing the South East Essex Alliance Plan) – Husband is a consultant surgeon at Southend Hospital; Daughter is a consultant at Basildon Hospital; Son-in-law is a GP in Southend-on-Sea.

- **Councillor Thompson**

**Licensing Sub-Committee B – 11 August 2022**

Minute 218 (East Beach, Shoeburyness Application for Grant of Premises Licence) – The application has been submitted by the Council and the staff in attendance to present the application were known to him;

- **Councillor Wakefield**

- **Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

- Minute 364 (Draft Private Rented Sector Housing Enforcement Policy 2022)  
- Local private sector landlord of property within Southend-on-Sea.

- **Councillor Wexham**

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 30 August 2022**

- Minute 239 (Leisure Services) – Non-Executive Director on Board of South Essex Homes mentioned in the report;

- **Officer Interests**

- **Development Control Committee – 27 July 2022**

- - G. Gilbert – 22/00702/FUL (38A Burdett Avenue, Westcliff-on-Sea) – He is the applicant and owner of the property (withdrew)

- **Cabinet – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

- A Lewis – Minute 326 (SO46 Report relating to Porters Place LLP) - Council appointed representative on the Porters Place LLP Board.

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

- - A Lewis - Minute No. 337 (City Centre Strategy & Investment Plan) and Minute No. 341 (SO46 Report) – Better Queensway: Council appointed representative on the Porters Place LLP Board.

## **372 Communications**

- (a) Minutes Silence – Her Majesty the Queen

- The Council paid special tribute to Her Majesty the Queen for her long service and dedication to the country and remained silent for one minute as a mark of respect.

- (b) Minutes Silence – Sir David Amess, Graham Longley and Kristina Jackson

- - The Council remained silent for one minute as a mark of respect to Sir David Amess, Graham Longley (former Mayor, Councillor and Honorary Alderman) and Kristina Jackson (former Chief Executive of SAVS)

- The Council paid special tribute to Sir David to mark the first anniversary of his tragic death.

- The Council was presented with artwork by Helen Yousaf entitled 'Grief and Compassion' which was commissioned by Love Southend for the family of Sir David Amess following his tragic murder.

**373 Questions from the Public**

The relevant Executive Councillors responded to written questions received from the public.

**374 Questions from Councillors**

The relevant Executive Councillors responded to written and supplementary questions received from Councillors.

**375 Minutes of the Special meeting held Tuesday, 5 July 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 5 July 2022, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**376 Minutes of the meeting held Thursday, 14 July 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 14 July 2022, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**377 Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Monday, 22 August 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 22 August 2022, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**378 Minutes of the meeting of Development Control Committee held Wednesday, 6 July 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**379 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee B held Monday, 11 July 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**380 Minutes of the meeting of Audit Committee held Wednesday, 20 July 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.



**381 Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held Tuesday, 26 July 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**382 Minutes of the meeting of Development Control Committee held Wednesday, 27 July 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**383 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee A held Thursday, 28 July 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**384 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee B held Thursday, 11 August 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**385 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee A held Wednesday, 17 August 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**386 Minutes of the meeting of Special Cabinet held Wednesday, 24 August 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**387 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee B held Wednesday, 24 August 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**388 Minutes of the meeting of Place Scrutiny Committee held Tuesday, 30 August 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**389 Minutes of the meeting of People Scrutiny Committee held Wednesday, 31 August 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**390 Minutes of the meeting of Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee held Thursday, 1 September 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**391 Minutes of the meeting of Appointments and Disciplinary Committee held Monday, 5 September 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**392 Minutes of the meeting of Development Control Committee held Wednesday, 31 August 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**393 Minutes of the meeting of Appeals Committee B held Monday, 5 September 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**394 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee A held Wednesday, 7 September 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**395 Minutes of the meeting of Health and Wellbeing Board held Wednesday, 7 September 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**396 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee B held Monday, 26 September 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**397 Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held Thursday, 29 September 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted and the recommendations contained in Minute 314 (Resourcing Better Outcomes) and Minute 322 (Feed and Food Control Service Plan 2022-23), be approved.

**398 Minutes of the meeting of General Purposes Committee held Wednesday, 5 October 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**399 Minutes of the meeting of Place Scrutiny Committee held Monday, 10 October 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted and the recommendations contained in Minute 340 (Feed and Food Control Service Plan – Cabinet Minute 322 refers), be approved.

**400 Minutes of the meeting of People Scrutiny Committee held Tuesday, 11 October 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted.

**401 Minutes of the meeting of Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee held Thursday, 13 October 2022**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting, be noted and the recommendations contained in Minute 350 (Resourcing Better Outcomes – Cabinet Minute 314 refers), be approved.

**402 Notice of Motion - Better Play**

Resolved:

That the Notice of Motion concerning the improvement to all play areas in Southend by 2030, be referred to the Environment, Culture and Tourism Working Party.

**403 Notice of Motion - Webcasting**

Resolved:

That the Notice of Motion concerning webcasting of public meetings in the Civic Centre Committee Rooms, be referred to the Corporate Matters and Performance Delivery Working Party.

**404 Notice of Motion - Protected Characteristic for Care Experienced People**

Resolved:

That the Notice of Motion concerning the protected characteristic for care experienced people, be referred to the Corporate Matters and Performance Delivery Working Party.

**405 Appointments to Committees, etc**

Resolved:

That the list of membership changes and appointments to Committees, etc, as appended to the minutes, be approved.

**406 Departure of Andy Lewis, Chief Executive**

The Worshipful the Mayor informed Councillors that Andy Lewis, Chief Executive will be leaving the Council and this was his last Full Council meeting.

On behalf of the Council, the Mayor expressed his appreciation and thanks to Andy for his sterling work and excellent service and wished him all the very best for the future.

**Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_