

# SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Meeting of The Council

**Date: Thursday, 18th October, 2018**

**Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite**

**Present:** Councillor D Jarvis (Chair)  
Councillors A Holland (Deputy Chair), B Arscott, S Ayles, B Ayles, M Borton, H Boyd, A Bright, K Buck, S Buckley, L Burton, D Burzotta, T Byford, A Chalk, J Courtenay, T Cox, M Davidson, A Dear, M Dent, F Evans, M Flewitt, N Folkard, D Garne, D Garston, J Garston, I Gilbert, S Habermel, R Hadley, T Harp, A Jones, J Lamb, H McDonald, D McGlone, J McMahon, A Moring, C Mulroney, D Nelson, C Nevin, D Norman MBE, G Phillips, K Robinson, L Salter, M Stafford, M Terry, N Ward, J Ware-Lane, C Walker, P Wexham, C Willis and R Woodley

**Start/End Time:** 6.30pm - 10.00pm

### **371 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Van Looy.

### **372 Declarations of Interest**

- **Councillor Arscott**

#### **Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 206 - 18/00867/FULH (53 Leigh Cliff Road, Leigh-on-Sea) – non pecuniary interest: Objector/neighbour is known to him:

Minute 208 - 18/01006/OUT (8 Burdett Road, Southend-on-Sea) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Applicant is a close friend (withdrew);

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

#### **Development Control Committee – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 230 – 18/001146/OUTM – Nazareth House, 111 London Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 1PP – Non-pecuniary interest – attends services in chapel, families and residents are known to him;

Minute 238 – 18/01234/FULH – 115 Tattersall Gardens, Leigh-on-Sea – Disqualifying Non-pecuniary interest – Acquainted with residents (withdrew);

#### **Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 249 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Bailey Road Area Residents Parking Scheme) – Non-pecuniary interest: Patient of Highlands Surgery;

#### **Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 317 (18/01063/FUL - Haydon House, 10 Underwood Square, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Resident is known to him;

Minute 318 (18/01421/FUL - Seabrink 1 to 9, 46 Undercliff Gardens & 18/01425/FUL - Seabrink, 10 to 19, 46 Undercliff Gardens, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Resident is known to him;

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 349 - School Admission Arrangements; Minute 350 - KS2 & KS4 outcomes; Minute 352 - School Places working party and Minute 354 - Schools Progress Report – non-pecuniary – Governor at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School (Assisi Trust);

- **Councillor Borton**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 203 - 17/02266/FULM (The Esplanade, Western Esplanade, Southend-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Governor at Milton Hall Primary School, which is mentioned in the report:

Minute 207 - 18/00899/FULM (Crowstone Preparatory School, Westcliff-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Governor at Milton Hall Primary School, which is mentioned in the report:

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**Appeals Committee A – 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

Minute 216 – Appeal Against Dismissal – non-pecuniary interest – lives in the same residential area as the appellant;

**Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 253 – Hospital Area Controlled Parking Zone – non-pecuniary interest – lives in the hospital parking zone area;

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 - STP - non-pecuniary - Previous employee at Southend Hospital; NHS Employee at Barts; 2 children work at MEHT; step sister works Basildon Hospital and sister works for the Department of Health;

Minute 349 – School Admission Arrangements; Minute 350 - KS2 & KS4 outcomes; Minute 352 - School Places working party; and Minute 354 - Schools Progress Report – non-pecuniary - Governor at Milton Hall School;

Minute 355 - proposed mental health changes - disqualifying non-pecuniary interest – daughter is a nurse at Basildon mental health unit – proposed that will be ward manager at new adult acute ward – withdrew;

- **Councillor Boyd**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in the called in items / referred item; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Minute 354 – Schools Progress Report - disqualifying non-pecuniary interest; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Councillor Buck**

**Audit Committee – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Minute 194 – Head of Internal Audit Annual Report 2017/18 – Non-pecuniary interest – Parent Governor at Eastwood Academy;

**Audit Committee – 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 300 (BDO: Audit Completion Report) and Minute 303 (Internal Audit Quarterly Performance Report) – non-pecuniary interest – Governor at Eastwood Academy;

**Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 367 – Fees and Charges Policy – non-pecuniary interest – member of Belfairs Golf Club;

- **Councillor Buckley**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 203 - 17/02266/FULM (The Esplanade, Western Esplanade, Southend-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Has been lobbied by Milton Conservation Society and by Applicant's Planning Consultant;

Minute 210 - 18/00925/FULH (29 Dolphins, Westcliff-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Councillor for St Laurence Ward and has dealt with a case involving a number of the residents;

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee;

- **Councillor Chalk**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

- **Councillor Courtenay**

**Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred items; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in the called in items / referred item; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

**Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in the called in items / referred item; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Councillor Cox**

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred items; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in the called in items / referred item; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in the called in items / referred item; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Councillor Davidson**

- **Audit Committee – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

- Minute 196 – Statutory Statement of Accounts 2017/18 – Non-pecuniary interest – Non-Executive Director of South Essex Homes;

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Minute 334 (Fire Safety Report) – Non-pecuniary interest: Non-executive director of South Essex Homes;

- **Councillor Dear**

- **Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

- Minute 204 - 18/00952/FULM (Development Land at Priory Crescent, Southend-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Volunteer driver for Havens Day Care Hospice Ltd.;

- Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

- **Councillor Dent**

- **Appeals Committee A – 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

- Minute 216 – Appeal Against Dismissal – non-pecuniary interest –HCPC are clients;

- **Councillor Evans**

- **Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

- Minute 208 - 18/01006/OUT (8 Burdett Road, Southend-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Applicant is known to her;

- Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 313 (18/01075/FULM - Belfairs Academy, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh on Sea) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Close friend lives nearby (withdrew);

- **Councillor Flewitt**

**Audit Committee – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Minute 197 – Position Statement including Police – Non-pecuniary interest – Cabinet Member for Public Protection;

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 204 – 18/01225 (123 Poynings Avenue) – non-pecuniary interest – applicant is known to him but took no part in the decision;

**Licensing Sub Committee C – 28<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

Minute 223 – Application for Grant of a combined Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licence – non-pecuniary interest - applicant is known to him;

**Development Control Committee – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 230 – 18/01146 (Nazareth House) – non-pecuniary interest – commented to the media but did not take part in the decision;

**Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 255 (Oakwood Avenue – Request for Speed Control and Other Suggested Amendments to the Road Layout) – Non-pecuniary interest: Worked on the closure of Brendon Way, which was mentioned in the debate;

**Development Control – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 311 – 17/01263 Eruv – non-pecuniary interest – has been lobbied and discussed this matter with officers as the previous Cabinet Member;

**Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred items; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Minute 334 (Fire Safety Report) – Non-pecuniary interest: Friends and family are tenants of South Essex Homes;

**Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in the called in items / referred item; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Minute 364 – Housing and Homelessness Strategy – non-pecuniary interest – friends and family are tenants of South Essex Homes;

- **Councillor Folkard**

**Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 317 (18/01063/FUL - Haydon House, 10 Underwood Square, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Resident is known to him;

Minute 318 (18/01421/FUL - Seabrink 1 to 9, 46 Undercliff Gardens & 18/01425/FUL - Seabrink, 10 to 19, 46 Undercliff Gardens, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Resident is known to him;

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 – Mid and South Essex STP – non-pecuniary interest – relative works in Broomfield Hospital; Ambassador for fund raising team at Southend Hospital;

- **Councillor Garne**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 - STP - non-pecuniary – Council appointed Governor at Southend Hospital;

- **Councillor D Garston**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 203 - 17/02266/FULM (The Esplanade, Western Esplanade, Southend-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Son lives in Clifftown Parade;  
Minute 208 - 18/01006/OUT (8 Burdett Road, Southend-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Applicant is known to him;  
Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 251 – Extension of Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Area – non-pecuniary interest – son lives in the area;

**Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 311 (17/01263/FUL - Westcliff Eruv, Finchley Road, Westcliff on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Southend West Hebrew Congregation which is referred to in the report;

**Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 337 – Centenary Fields – non-pecuniary interest – son lives in the area;

- **Councillor J Garston**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 203 - 17/02266/FULM (The Esplanade, Western Esplanade, Southend-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the area;  
Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 251 (Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Area) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Lives in one of the Roads affected by the proposals;

**Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 311 (17/01263/FUL - Westcliff Eruv, Finchley Road, Westcliff on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Southend West Hebrew Congregation which is referred to in the report;

**Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 337 (Centenary Fields) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Lives opposite the area to be dedicated (withdrew);

**Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 364 – Housing and Homelessness Strategy – Non-pecuniary interest - Council's representative on HARP, who were mentioned during discussion;

- **Councillor Habermel**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 - STP - non-pecuniary – sister is a nurse at Southend Hospital; nephew is a physiotherapist based at Southend; brother is a paramedic with London Ambulance Service;

- **Councillor Hadley**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee;

**Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 250 (Members' Request List – Ref no. 17/35: Introduction of accident prevention measures in Maya Close and Ness Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Freehold owner 23, 23a, 25 and 25a Ness Road;

- **Councillor Harp**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 - STP – non-pecuniary – Chair of St Lukes PPG and patient of St Lukes health centre practice;

Minute 355 - proposed mental health changes - non-pecuniary – Chair of St Lukes PPG and registered patient at the GP Practice;

- **Councillor Holland**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 - STP - non-pecuniary interest – President of Southend Stroke Club;

**Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 363 – MPR relating to crime – non-pecuniary interest – son is a police officer;

- **Councillor Jones**

- **Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

- Minute 251 – Extension of Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Area – non-pecuniary interest – daughter attends St Bernard’s school;

- **Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

- Minute 313 (18/01075/FULM - Belfairs Academy, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Cousin is employed by Legra;

- **Councillor McDonald**

- **Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

- Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

- **Councillor McGlone**

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Minute 334 (Fire Safety Report) – Non-pecuniary interest: Non-executive director of South Essex Homes.

- **Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Minute 364 – Housing and Homelessness Strategy – non-pecuniary interest – Non-Executive Director South Essex Homes;

- **Councillor McMahon**

- **Health & Wellbeing Board – 19<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

- Minute 292 – A Better Start Southend Update – non-pecuniary interest – member of the Better Start Ward Panel;

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Minute 355 - proposed mental health changes - non-pecuniary – work within EPUT facilities as an Advocate;

- **Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Minute 364 – Housing and Homelessness Strategy – non-pecuniary interest – co-founder of HARP;

- **Councillor Moring**

- **Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

- Minute 250 (Members’ Request List – Ref no. 18/08: Provide no waiting at any time restrictions in Thorpe Hall Avenue/Acacia Drive) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity of the junction;

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

- Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred items; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Councillor Mulroney**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 205 - 18/00813/FUL (194 Leigh Road, Leigh-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Minute 206 - 18/00867/FULH (53 Leigh Cliff Road, Leigh-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Minute 208 - 18/01006/OUT (8 Burdett Road, Southend-on-Sea) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Applicant and architect are known to her;

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**Development Control Committee – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 237 (18/01001/FUL) – 66 High Street, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex – non-pecuniary interest – Member of Leigh Society and Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Minute 238 (18/01234/FULH) – 115 Tattersall Gardens – non-pecuniary interest – Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Minute 239 (18/0181/FUL) – Peterboat – non-pecuniary interest – Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

**Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 251 – Extension of Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Zone – non-pecuniary interest – sister lives in the area;

**Cabinet – 18<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 263 – STP – non-pecuniary interest – relative works for MEHT;

**Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 312 (17/01734/FULM - The Old Vienna Restaurant, 162 Eastwood Road, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Minute 313 (18/01075/FULM - Belfairs Academy, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Minute 317 (18/01063/FUL - Haydon House, 10 Underwood Square, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Minute 318 (18/01421/FUL - Seabrink 1 to 9, 46 Undercliff Gardens & 18/01425/FUL - Seabrink, 10 to 19, 46 Undercliff Gardens, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning) and Leigh Society and the applicant's agent is known to her;

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 – STP – non-pecuniary interest – relative works for MEHT;

- **Councillor Nelson**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 204 (18/00952/FULM) – Development Land at Priory Crescent, Southend-on-Sea – non-pecuniary interest – lives in the vicinity of the development;

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 – STP – non-pecuniary interest – wife is a nurse at the hospital;

- **Councillor Nevin**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 – STP – non-pecuniary interest – previous employee at Southend Hospital; NHS Employee at Barts; 2 children work at MEHT; step sister works at Basildon Hospital and sister works for the Dept of Health;

**Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 368 – SO46 Report (Ceylon Road) – non-pecuniary interest – friend lives in the road;

- **Councillor D Norman**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 208 - 18/01006/OUT (8 Burdett Road, Southend-on-Sea) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Applicant is a friend and a colleague; Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

- **Councillor Phillips**

**Council – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Agenda Item 5 – Questions from Cllr Gilbert and Jones – non-pecuniary interest – son works on Brexit negotiations team and a trustee of the London Shipwreck Trust.

- **Councillor Robinson**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 355 - disqualifying pecuniary interest - Disqualifying pecuniary interest (withdrew)

- **Councillor Salter**

**Cabinet – 18<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 263 – Mid and South Essex STP – Opposition Motion – non-pecuniary interest – husband is a consultant vascular surgeon at Southend Hospital, her daughter is a doctor in Basildon and her son-in-law is a GP within the Borough;

**Health & Wellbeing Board – 19<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 294 (Localities update) and Minute 295 (Physical Activity Strategy) – non-pecuniary interest - husband is a consultant vascular surgeon at Southend Hospital, her daughter is a doctor in Basildon and her son-in-law is a GP within the Borough;

**Place Scrutiny Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred items; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Cabinet Member – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in the called in items / referred item; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Minute 345 - STP - non-pecuniary interest– husband is consultant Surgeon at Southend Hospital and holds senior post at Hospital; son-in-law is GP; daughter is a doctor at Broomfield Hospital;

- **Councillor Van Looy**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 203 - 17/02266/FULM (The Esplanade, Western Esplanade, Southend-on-Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: The neighbours of the site are known to him;

Minute 208 - 18/01006/OUT (8 Burdett Road, Southend-on-Sea) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Applicant is known to him;

Minute 211 - 18/01225/FULH (123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) – Pecuniary interest: Owner of the property and applicant (withdrew);

**Cabinet Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 249 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Southchurch Boulevard) – Non-pecuniary interest: Patient of the Doctor's Surgery in Southchurch Boulevard; and Lives in the vicinity.

- **Councillor Walker**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**Development Control Committee – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 237 – 18/01001/FUL – 66 High Street, Leigh-on-Sea – non-pecuniary interest – knows applicant's father and has assisted him clearing the yard;

**Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 312 (17/01734/FULM - The Old Vienna Restaurant, 162 Eastwood Road, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Two friends live in close proximity;

Minute 313 (18/01075/FULM - Belfairs Academy, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Friend lives in close proximity;

Minute 317 (18/01063/FUL - Haydon House, 10 Underwood Square, Leigh on Sea) – Non-pecuniary interest: Friend lives in Underwood Square and a work colleague lives in Lime Avenue;

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 - STP; Annual Comments, Compliments & Complaints – non-pecuniary – daughter is studying for Nursing degree at ARU and practices locally;

Minute 349 - School Admission Arrangements; Minute 350 - KS2 & KS4 outcomes; Minute 352 - School Places working party; Minute 354 - Schools Progress Report – non-pecuniary interests – wife teaches at West Leigh Schools; Southend Boys & Girls Training Choirs rehearse at St Mary's School.

- **Councillor Ward**

**Development Control Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

Minute 211 (18/01225/FULH 123 Poynings Avenue, Southend-on-Sea) on the grounds that the applicant was known to them as a fellow Councillor and a Member of the Committee.

**Development Control Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Minute 317 (18/01063/FUL - Haydon House, 10 Underwood Square, Leigh on Sea) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Has worked for the owner (withdrew).

- **Councillor Ware-Lane**

**People Scrutiny Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minute 345 - STP - non-pecuniary interest – family member work for NHS; Minute 349 - School Admission Arrangements; Minute 350 - KS2 & KS4 outcomes; Minute 352 - School Places working party; and Minute 354 - Schools Progress Report – non-pecuniary interest– partner works in a School;

- **Councillor Wexham**

**Development Control Committee – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Minute 237 – 18/01001/FUL - 66 High Street, Leigh-on-Sea – non-pecuniary interest – knows the applicant's father;

- **Councillor Woodley**

**Audit Committee – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Minute 196 – Statutory Statement of Accounts 2017/18 – Non-pecuniary interest – Non-Executive Director of South Essex Homes;

**Council – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Agenda Item 5 – Question from Cllr Gilbert – non-pecuniary interest – Deputy Chair of a Board of the L.G.A.

**373 Communications**

Council's Benefits Team – Award

The Worshipful the Mayor informed Members that the Council's Benefits Team were awarded the "Most Improved Team of the Year" by the Institute Revenues, Rating and Valuation.

The Worshipful the Mayor, on behalf of the Council, congratulated the team.

**374 Questions from Members of the Public**

The relevant Cabinet Members responded to written questions received from members of the public.

**375 Questions from Members of the Council**

The relevant Cabinet Members responded to questions received from Councillors.

**376 Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 19th July 2018**

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018, be confirmed as a correct record and signed.

**377 Minutes of the meeting of Appeals Committee B held Monday, 16 July 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**378 Minutes of the meeting of Audit Committee held Wednesday, 25 July 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**379 Minutes of the meeting of Development Control Committee held Wednesday, 1 August 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**380 Minutes of the meeting of Appeals Committee A held Friday, 10 August 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**381 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee B held Friday, 17 August 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**382 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee C held Tuesday, 28 August 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**383 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee A held Tuesday, 4 September 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**384 Minutes of the meeting of Development Control Committee held Wednesday, 12 September 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**385 Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet Committee held Thursday, 13 September 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**386 Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held Tuesday, 18 September 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted and the recommendations contained in Minutes 266, 269, 276 and 277 be approved.

**387 Minutes of the meeting of Health & Wellbeing Board held Wednesday, 19 September 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**388 Minutes of the meeting of Audit Committee held Wednesday, 26 September 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**389 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee B held Monday, 1 October 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**390 Minutes of the meeting of Development Control Committee held Wednesday, 3 October 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**391 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub Committee C held Friday, 5 October 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**392 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub Committee A held Monday, 8 October 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

**393 Minutes of the meeting of Place Scrutiny Committee held Monday 8 October 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted and the recommendations in Minute 335 be approved.

**394 Minutes of the meeting of People Scrutiny Committee held Tuesday 9 October 2018**

In relation to Minute 355 (proposed changes in South Essex – Adult Mental Health Beds) the Council noted that the People Scrutiny Committee did not reach a specific conclusion. A proposal was moved by Councillor Nevin and seconded by Councillor Salter.

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted and the proposals before the Council relating to Adult Mental Health Beds, as set out below, be approved:

1. That the investment of £1.5m into a new primary care centre in the St Luke's ward, be supported.

2. That the creation of an additional 16-20 adult inpatient beds, to reduce the need for Southend residents having to be placed out of area, be supported.

3. That the request from Southend Clinical Commissioning Group (SCCG) and Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT) to defer consultation due to patient and staff safety issues, until the point of determining permanent moves, be supported.

4. That the establishment of a clinical group with the appropriate staff side representation to review and lead changes to enhance inpatient and community treatment, care and support going forward, be supported. This will include reviewing the options to bringing the Older People Organic Assessment beds back into South East Essex, with recommendations being completed by August 2019.

**395 Minutes of the meeting of Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee held Wednesday 10 October 2018**

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted and the recommendations in Minutes 365 and 367 be approved.

**396 Notice of Motion - Fire Safety**

Resolved:

That in accordance with Standing Order 8.4, the following Notice of Motion, be referred to the Cabinet:

**'Fire Safety**

Southend Borough Council notes that:

Many of our tall buildings are in excess of 10 floors, for example buildings on the Queensway Estate are 17 floors. If there is a fire that blocks the stairwell above level 10, residents have no "plan B" as an escape route, the same circumstance that residents and fire rescue teams encountered at Grenfell. According to Essex Fire & Rescue, of the 55 tall buildings in Southend, 11 are above 10 stories.

Under the STAY PUT POLICY, residents are told that unless smoke or fire is entering their dwelling, they should remain in their homes and await rescue.

The STAY PUT POLICY can fail, and compartmentalisation can be compromised by retrofitting of plumbing, electrical upgrades, installing insulation or adding inferior products. Holes in walls that are not sealed with fireproof sealant, pipe work with fire collars, allow the passage of air, smoke and flames.

It has come to light that the STAY PUT POLICY at Grenfell failed and fire crews were surprised at the pace, the fire spread.

With single-staircase buildings, if the only exit is blocked, there is no plan B to escape. At Grenfell fire crews didn't have the equipment to reach the highest parts of the building. In Southend, the fire brigade has only ladders and platforms to reach level 10, so would need to call in equipment from another part of the county. Cuts to funding for the Fire Service has not only left it short of adequate equipment, but also trained fire-fighters to operate them. Residents awaiting rescue are told their homes are safe from fire for 30 minutes, which isn't a long time. According to Essex Fire & Rescue, 2 tall buildings in Southend have a Plan B for escape. Delays cost lives.

Warden operated fire alarms also result in delays, when automated responses and human error is considered, it adds to the risk factor. According to Essex Fire & Rescue, the number of tall buildings with a monitored alarm is 2.

Fire doors from five different suppliers have now been withdrawn from sale, after being identified by the government, as failing to meet safety standards.

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has urged all housing providers to carry out new risk assessments, as has the National Fire Chiefs Council. Doors that under current building regulations, were supposed to withstand smoke and flames for 30 minutes, were barely lasting 15 minutes.

After the Lakanal House fire the Coroner, recommended retrofitting of sprinkler systems in all tall buildings. The big issue with this is cost implications for landlords, but the safety benefits are huge and it lessens the need for the installation of automated alarms and gives residents piece of mind. Concerns in Southend that landlords of buildings which are earmarked for demolition, may be unwilling to spend large amounts in the short-term, but in the long-term these landlords have a duty of care over their residents and as such need to put the safety of residents first.

After Grenfell, South Essex Homes published a newsletter dated Summer 2017, in which residents were reassured that fire risk assessments had been carried out on all tall buildings.

Council notes that Fire Risk Assessor qualifications can be obtained in a matter of days, without any previous experience in the building or fire safety industry.

Only level 4 risk assessment is carried out by a qualified accredited fire safety engineer, who will open up the walls and check to see if the compartments, people's homes, are not compromised. Without these checks Southend Council cannot be confident it's residents are safe.

Furthermore, although most of the residential buildings in Southend have had risk assessments in the last year, of the tall commercial buildings, of which there are 16 in the borough, only South Essex College has carried out this test.

This council therefore supports a review of fire safety in all of its tall buildings, with a level 4 risk assessment and commits to undertake installation of mandatory automated fire alarms, with its partners South Essex Homes, where gaps in alarm provision are identified, to remove the warden element equation from fire safety risk.

This council believes that the residents of these buildings should also be protected with sprinkler systems and commits to write to the Secretary of State for the Home Department to lobby central government for the fire service to be provided with the resources needed to protect the public, delivered through central or local government. Only then can residents be confident in their fire safety protection.'

Moved by Councillor Ware-Lane  
Seconded by Councillor Nevin

### **397 Notice of Motion - Fossil Fuels**

Resolved:

That in accordance with Standing Order 8.4, the following Notice of Motion, be referred to the Cabinet:

#### **'Invest in the Future / Divest from Fossil Fuels**

1. This Council notes:

- That our council pension fund is heavily invested into fossil fuels, according to data available on <https://gofossilfree.org/uk/fuellingthefire/>
- That the Paris 2015 Agreement commits our government to keep the global temperature increase within 2 degrees and aim for 1.5 degrees. Carbon budgets produced by the IPCC and UN show that avoiding 2 degrees of warming relies on not burning 60-80% of discovered fossil fuels.
- Repeated warnings by Bank of England Governor Mark Carney that "the vast majority of [fossil fuel] reserves are unburnable".
- The resulting threat to pensions that are over-exposed to fossil fuels, and therefore to local pension-holders and council taxpayers.
- The shortage of investment into social housing, transport, and renewables.
- The importance of a just transition for workers in sectors and communities dependent on fossil fuels, and of decent and unionised low-carbon jobs.
- That several UK local government pension funds have committed to divesting, joining \$6 trillion in fossil fuel divestment commitments worldwide.

- That UNISON (largest union representing local government workers) and the TUC campaign for divestment in line with obligations to pension-holders.

2. This Council resolves:

- To call on the council pensions committee to commit to divest from fossil fuels over the next 5 years.
- To call upon the council pensions committee to seek to reinvest into the just transition, where possible and in line with obligations to pension holders.'

Moved by Councillor Willis (on behalf of Cllr Ware-Lane)

Seconded by Councillor Dent

**Chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_