

Borough of Douglas

Town Hall,

Douglas,

12th October, 2016

At a MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 2.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of OCTOBER, 2016, in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, within the TOWN HALL, at which Meeting the following Members were present, that is to say: -

The Mayor

MR COUNCILLOR JOHN EDWARD SKINNER, JP

Councillor

Miss N.A. Byron Mr S.R. Pitts Ms C.R. Turner Mrs R. Chatel Mr I.J.G. Clague, MBE Ms C.E. Malarkey Mrs C.L. Wells

Mr C.L.H. Cain Miss D.A.M. Pitts (from 3.53pm) Mr F. Horning Mr R.H. McNicholl Ms K. Angela Mrs E.C. Quirk Ms J. Thommeny

Apologies for absence were submitted by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, MBE, JP, Mr Councillor F. Pabellan and by Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts for late attendance.

The Chief Executive and Town Clerk, Director of Finance, Director of Environment and Regeneration and Director of Housing and Property were in attendance.

1. Victoria Ward and St. George's Ward

The Chief Executive reported that following close of nominations, Miss Natalie Anne Byron had been elected, without contest, for the Ward of St. George's and subsequently made and subscribed the declaration of acceptance of office. She further reported that Mr Jonathan Joughin and Mr Martin Conde Robert Moore stand nominated for the Ward of Victoria and that a Bye Election will take place on Thursday, 3rd November, 2016.

2. **Minutes – 10th August, 2016**

The minutes of the monthly Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 10th August, 2016, were approved and signed.

3. Minutes – 29th September, 2016

The minutes of the special Council Meeting held on Thursday, 29th September, 2016, were approved and signed.

4. Executive Committee – 30th September, 2016 – Clause A15

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in Clause A15 of report of meeting held on Friday, 30th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1985, Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts declared an interest in the item and retired whilst it was considered.

5. Executive Committee – 30th September, 2016 – Clauses A1 to A14, A16 and A17

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to A14, A16 and A17 inclusive of report of meeting held on Friday, 30th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

6. Executive Committee – 30th September, 2016 – Clause B18

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in Clause B18 of report of meeting held on Friday, 30th September, 2016, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

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

7. Pensions Committee – 5th September, 2016

Motion moved by Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Pensions Committee, as contained in report of special meeting held on Monday, 5th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1985, Councillor Mrs R. Chatel declared an interest in the item and retired whilst it was considered.

8. **Pensions Committee – 15th September, 2016**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Pensions Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Thursday, 15th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1985, Councillor Mrs R. Chatel declared an interest in the item and retired whilst it was considered.

9. Standards Committee – 7th September, 2016

Motion moved by Councillor Ms C.E. Malarkey, seconded by Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Standards Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Wednesday, 7th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

10. Housing Committee – 21st September, 2016 – Clauses A1 to B9

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, seconded by Councillor Ms C.E. Malarkey, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to B9 inclusive of report of meeting held on Wednesday, 21st September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

11. Housing Committee – 21st September, 2016 – Clause C10

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, seconded by Councillor Ms C.E. Malarkey, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing Committee, as contained in Clause C10 of report of meeting held on Wednesday, 21st September, 2016, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

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

12. Regeneration and Community Committee – 5th September, 2016

Motion moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Regeneration and Community Committee, as contained in report of special meeting held on Monday, 5th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

13. **Regeneration and Community Committee – 20th September, 2016 – Clause A6**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Regeneration and Community Committee, as contained in Clause A6 of report of meeting held on Tuesday, 20th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

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

14. Regeneration and Community Committee – 20th September, 2016 – Clauses A1 to A5 and B7

Motion moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Regeneration and Community Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to A5 and B7 inclusive of report of meeting held on Tuesday, 20th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

15. Environmental Services Committee – 19th September, 2016 – Clause A9

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Councillor Ms C.R. Turner, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Environmental Services Committee, as contained in Clause A9 of report of meeting held on Monday, 19th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1985, Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts declared an interest in the item and retired whilst it was considered.

16. Attendance

Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts joined the meeting at 3.53pm during discussion of the following item.

17. Environmental Services Committee – 19th September, 2016 – Clauses A1 to A8 and A10 to A12

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Councillor Ms C.R. Turner, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Environmental Services Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to A8 and A10 to A12 inclusive of report of meeting held on Monday, 19th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

18. Standing Order 30 – Notice of Motion – Mr Councillor F. Horning

Mr Councillor F. Horning moved the following Motion, notice of which had been given:-

- 1. "To discontinue the operation of the Douglas Golf Course after obligations to season ticket holders have been fulfilled;
- 2. To sell the club house and equipment if no alternative use can be found for it; to repay some of the loans with sale proceeds;

3. To put a proportion of the present golf course, which shall not exceed one third of the area, forward for development of single family homes; the remaining area to be kept for recreational purposes to be explored."

The Motion was seconded by Councillor Ms C.R. Turner.

Under the provision of Standing Order 30, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and report back to the Council.

19. Adjournment and Resumption

The meeting adjourned at 3.55pm and resumed at 4.05pm with the same Members and Officers present.

IN PRIVATE

20. Executive Committee – 30th September, 2016

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Friday, 30th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

21. Pensions Committee – 15th September, 2016

Motion moved by Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Pensions Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Thursday, 15th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

22. Housing Committee – 21st September, 2016

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, seconded by Councillor Ms C.E. Malarkey, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Wednesday, 21st September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

23. Regeneration and Community Committee – 20th September, 2016

Motion moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Regeneration and Community Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Tuesday, 20th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and there voted **For** the Motion: Miss N.A. Byron, Mr S.R. Pitts, Ms C.R. Turner, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G Clague, Ms C.E. Malarkey, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr C.L.H. Cain, Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr F. Horning, Mr R.H. McNicholl, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny, the Mayor -14

Against: Ms K. Angela – 1

Motion carried.

24. Environmental Services Committee – 19th September, 2016

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Councillor Ms C.R. Turner, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Environmental Services Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Monday, 19th September, 2016, be received by the Council."

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

The Council rose at 4.33pm.

Interdice

Town Clerk & Chief Executive