



Borough of Douglas

Town Hall,

Douglas,

10th October, 2012

At a MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 2.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of OCTOBER, 2012, in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, within the TOWN HALL, at which Meeting the following Members were present, that is to say: -

The Mayor

MR. COUNCILLOR DAVID JOHN ASHFORD, J.P.

Councillor

Mrs. S.D.A. Hackman

Mr. S.R. Pitts

Mr. C.C. Thomas

Mrs. R. Chatel

Mr. J. Joughin

Mr. D.W. Christian, J.P.

Mr. E.A. Joyce

Mrs. C.E. Malarkey

Mr. C.L.H. Cain

Mr. G.J. Faragher

Miss D.A.M. Pitts

Mr. W.M. Malarkey

Mr. R.H. McNicholl, J.P.

Ms. K. Angela

Mr. S.C. Cain

Mr. A.V. Quirk

The Chief Executive, Borough Treasurer and the Borough Engineer and Surveyor were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Mr. Councillor J.E. Skinner.

1. **Minutes – 8th August 2012**

Minutes of the monthly meeting held Wednesday, 8th August, 2012, were approved and signed.

2. **Minutes – 7th September 2012**

Minutes of the special meeting held Friday, 7th September, 2012, were approved and signed, subject to an amendment to show that Mr. Councillor C.C. Thomas did not submit apologies for the meeting.

3. **Minutes – 14th September 2012**

Minutes of the special meeting held Friday, 14th September, 2012, were approved and signed.

4. **Standing Order 103 - Privilege**

With the consent of the Mayor Mr Councillor C.C. Thomas rose to plead privilege under Standing Order 103. Mr Councillor Thomas felt personally aggrieved that he could not obtain an unaudited copy of the Council's accounts despite Members of the Executive Committee having copies. Mr Councillor C.C. Thomas also felt personally aggrieved that the Executive Committee considered the Scope of Government Consultation rather than the Council, the Member felt the consultation should have been dealt with in the same manner as the Public Sector Housing Consultation.

5. **Point of Order**

Mr. Councillor D.W. Christian rose to a point of order to inform the Council that all consultations received from the Government are considered by the Executive Committee. The Public Sector Housing Consultation was considered by the Council because the Council provides a housing service.

6. **Executive Committee – 28th September 2012 – Clause A10**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in Clause A10 of report of meeting held on Friday, 28th September, 2012, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

Question put. On division being challenged a vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion: Councillor Mrs S.D.A. Hackman, Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, Messrs Councillors D.W. Christian, E.A. Joyce, Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, Mr Councillor G.J. Faragher, Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr Councillor W.M. Malarkey, Councillor Ms K. Angela, Messrs Councillors S.C. Cain, A.V. Quirk, the Mayor - **13**

There voted **Against** the Motion: Mr Councillor C.C. Thomas - **1**

Motion Carried.

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1985, Messrs Councillors J. Joughin, C.L.H. Cain and R.H. McNicholl declared an interest in this item and retired whilst it was considered.

7. **Executive Committee – 28th September 2012 – Clause A12**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in Clause A12 of report of meeting held on Friday, 28th September, 2012, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

Question put. On division being challenged a vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion: Councillor Mrs S.D.A. Hackman, Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, Messrs Councillors D.W. Christian, E.A. Joyce, Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, Messrs Councillors G.J. Faragher, W.M. Malarkey, Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, Councillor Ms K. Angela, Messrs Councillors S.C. Cain, A.V. Quirk, the Mayor – **14**

There voted **Against** the Motion: Mr Councillor C.C. Thomas – **1**

Motion carried.

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1985, Messrs Councillors J. Joughin and C.L.H. Cain declared an interest in this item and retired whilst it was considered.

8. **Executive Committee – 28th September 2012 – Clauses A1 to A9, A11, and A13 to A18 inclusive**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to A9, A11, and A13 to A18 of report of meeting held Tuesday, 28th September, 2012, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

Question put. On division being challenged the vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion: Councillor Mrs S.D.A. Hackman, Messrs Councillors S.R. Pitts, J. Joughin, Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, Messrs Councillors D.W. Christian, E.A. Joyce, Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, Messrs Councillors

C.L.H. Cain, G.J. Faragher, Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, Councillor Ms K. Angela, Mr Councillor S.C. Cain, the Mayor – **14**

There voted **Against** the Amendment: Messrs Councillors C.C. Thomas, W.M. Malarkey, A.V. Quirk – **3**

Motion carried.

9. Housing and Property Advisory Committee – 19th September 2012

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, seconded by Mr Councillor J. Joughin, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing and Property Advisory Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Wednesday, 19th September, 2012, be received, approved and adopted by the Council.”

Mr Councillor D.W. Christian rose to a point of order to ask if all Council Members had received copies of the reports corresponding to the clauses requiring Council approval. The Mayor confirmed Members had not received the reports.

Further Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, “That the Council adjourn for twenty minutes to allow the reports to be circulated.”

Question put on further Motion. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Adjournment and Resumption

The Council adjourned at 3.35pm and resumed at 4.10pm with the same Members present.

11. Housing and Property Advisory Committee – 19th September 2012 - Continued

Further Motion moved by Mr Councillor W.M. Malarkey, seconded by Mr Councillor C.C. Thomas, “That clauses C4 and C5 be withdrawn as a result of the corresponding reports not being circulated prior to the meeting.”

Further Motion moved by Mr Councillor G.J. Faragher, “That the Council adjourn for a further fifteen minutes to allow Members more time to read the reports.”

The Worshipful the Mayor adjourned the meeting for fifteen minutes.

12. Adjournment and Resumption

The Council adjourned at 4.20pm and resumed at 4.36pm.

13. Housing and Property Advisory Committee – 19th September 2012 – Continued

Question put on original Motion. On division being challenged the vote was taken electronically and all seventeen Members voted **For** the Motion.

14. Regeneration and Community Advisory Committee – 18th September 2012

Motion moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Mr Councillor G.J. Faragher, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Regeneration and Community Advisory Committee, as contained in report of meeting held Tuesday, 18th September, 2012, be received, approved and adopted by the Council.”

Question put. On division being challenged the vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion: Councillor Mrs S.D.A. Hackman, Messrs Councillors S.R. Pitts, C.C. Thomas, J. Joughin, Councillor Mrs R. Chatel, Messrs Councillors D.W. Christian, E.A. Joyce, Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Messrs Councillors W.M. Malarkey, R.H. McNicholl, Councillor Ms K. Angela, Messrs Councillors S.C. Cain, A.V. Quirk, The Mayor – **16**

There voted **Against** the Motion: Mr Councillor G.J. Faragher – **1**

Motion Carried.

IN PRIVATE

15. Adjournment and Resumption

The meeting adjourned at 5.10pm and resumed in private at 5.25pm with the following Members present: Councillor Mrs S.D.A. Hackman, Messrs Councillors S.R. Pitts, C.C. Thomas, J. Joughin, D.W. Christian, E.A. Joyce, Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, Messrs Councillors C.L.H. Cain, G.J. Faragher, Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Messrs Councillors W.M. Malarkey, R.H. McNicholl, J.E. Skinner, Councillor Ms K. Angela, Mr Councillor S.C. Cain, Mr Councillor A.V. Quirk, the Mayor.

16. **Executive Committee – 28th September 2012**

Resolved unanimously, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee as contained in private report of special meeting held on Friday, 28th September, 2012, be received, approved and adopted by the Council.”

17. **Housing and Property Advisory Committee – 19th September 2012**

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, seconded by Mr Councillor J. Joughin, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Housing and Property Advisory Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Wednesday, 19th September, 2012, be received, approved and adopted by the Council.”

Question put. On division being challenged the vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion: Councillor Mrs S.D.A. Hackman, Messrs Councillors S.R. Pitts, C.C. Thomas, J. Joughin, D.W. Christian, E.A. Joyce, Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr Councillor W.M. Malarkey, Councillor Ms K. Angela, Messrs Councillors S.C. Cain, A.V. Quirk, the Mayor – **14**

There voted **Against** the Motion: Messrs Councillors G.J. Faragher, R.H. McNicholl – **2**

Motion carried.

18. **Regeneration and Community Advisory Committee – 18th September 2012**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, seconded by Mr Councillor G.J. Faragher, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Regeneration and Community Advisory Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Tuesday, 18th September, 2012, be received, approved and adopted by the Council.”

Question put. On division being challenged the vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion: Councillor Mrs S.D.A. Hackman, Messrs Councillors S.R. Pitts, C.C. Thomas, J. Joughin, E.A. Joyce, Councillor Mrs C.E. Malarkey, Messrs Councillors C.L.H. Cain, G.J. Faragher, Councillor Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Messrs Councillors W.M. Malarkey, R.H. McNicholl, Councillor Ms K. Angela, Messrs Councillors S.C. Cain, A.V. Quirk, the Mayor – **15**

There voted **Against** the Motion: Mr Councillor D.W. Christian – **1**

Motion carried.

The Council rose at 6.22pm.

Town Clerk & Chief Executive