



Borough of Douglas

Town Hall,

Douglas,

14th December, 2016

At a MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 2.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of DECEMBER, 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

Mr J. Joughin

Mr D.W. Christian, MBE, JP

Ms C.E. Malarkey

Mrs C.L. Wells

Mr C.L.H. Cain

Mr F. Pabellan

Miss D.A.M. Pitts

Mr F. Horning

Mr R.H. McNicholl

Mrs E.C. Quirk

Ms J. Thommeny

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillor Ms K. Angela.

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

1. **Minutes – 9th November, 2016**

The minutes of the monthly Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 9th November, 2016, were approved and signed.

2. **Standing Order 39 – Question – Mr Councillor J. Joughin**

Mr Councillor J. Joughin asked the Chair of the Housing Committee:

Question:

What is the average rent of Douglas Corporation housing stock per category including the Douglas rate and the Government water rate?

Reply:

The table shows the current average rent of properties in each category, with the Borough rate and water rate.

Rental Values of Douglas Borough Council Housing Properties 2016-17					
Property Type	Quantity	Weekly Rent	Borough Rates	Water Rates	Weekly Total
1 bed Flat	280	56.38	5.03	4.69	66.10
2 bed Flat	228	74.31	7.42	6.93	88.66
3 bed Flat	17	85.35	6.11	5.70	97.16
4 bed Flat	14	116.13	6.18	5.77	128.09
1 bed Bungalow	77	61.74	6.18	5.77	73.70
2 bed Bungalow	43	75.58	7.19	6.71	89.48
3 bed Bungalow	3	96.07	9.28	8.66	114.01
2 bed House	575	81.14	7.81	7.29	96.24
3 bed House	932	95.84	8.97	8.37	113.18
4 bed House	55	116.66	9.51	8.88	135.05
5 bed House	2	148.31	9.35	8.73	166.40
2 bed Maisonette	6	74.38	7.73	7.22	89.33
1 bed Sheltered Flat	102	73.36	6.96	6.49	86.81
2 bed Sheltered Flat	10	86.46	8.27	7.72	102.45
1 bed Sheltered Bedsit	21	62.96	5.95	5.56	74.47

3. **Executive Committee – 4th November, 2016**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in report of special meeting held on Friday, 4th November, 2016, be received by the Council.”

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

4. **Executive Committee – 25th November, 2016 – Clauses A1 to A10**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in Clauses A1 to A10 inclusive of report of meeting held on Friday, 25th November, 2016, be received by the Council.”

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

5. **Executive Committee – 25th November, 2016 – Clause B11**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in Clause B11 of report of meeting held on Friday, 25th November, 2016, be received, approved and adopted by the Council.”

Further Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, “That the Council consider the Motion in Committee.”

Question put on Motion to move into Committee, a vote was taken electronically and the Motion was carried unanimously.

Question put on Motion to move back into Council, a vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Mr S.R. Pitts, Ms C.R. Turner, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G Clague, Mr J. Joughin, Mr D.W. Christian, 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 – **16**

Against: Mr Councillor F. Pabellan – **1**

On resumption of proceedings in Council:

Amendment moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, “That the Motion be referred back to the Executive Committee for further consideration, specifically of the retention of the existing six Wards with two Members to be elected for each Ward.”

Question put on amendment, a vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the amendment, Councillors: Mr S.R. Pitts, Ms C.R. Turner, Mr C.L.H. Cain, Mr F. Pabellan, Mr R.H. McNicholl, the Mayor – **6**

Against, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G Clague, Mr J. Joughin, Mr D.W. Christian, Ms C.E. Malarkey, Mrs C.L. Wells, Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr F. Horning, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny – **11**

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically, and there voted **For** the Motion, Councillors: Miss N.A. Byron, Mrs R. Chatel, Mr I.J.G Clague, Mr J. Joughin, Mr D.W. Christian, Ms C.E. Malarkey, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr F. Horning, Mrs E.C. Quirk, Ms J. Thommeny – **10**

Against, Councillors: Mr S.R. Pitts, Ms C.R. Turner, Mr C.L.H. Cain, Mr F. Pabellan, Miss D.A.M. Pitts, Mr R.H. McNicholl, the Mayor – **7**

6. Pensions Committee – 23rd November, 2016

Motion moved Mr Councillor C.L.H. Cain, seconded by Councillor Ms C.R. Turner, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Pensions Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Wednesday, 23rd November, 2016, be received by the Council.”

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

7. Eastern District Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee – 14th November, 2016

Motion moved by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, seconded by Councillor Mrs E.C. Quirk, “That the minutes of proceedings of the Eastern District Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee, as contained in report of meeting held on Monday, 14th November, 2016, be received by the Council.”

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

8. Housing Committee – 16th November, 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 report of meeting held on Wednesday, 16th November, 2016, be received by the Council.”

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

9. Regeneration and Community Committee – 15th November, 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 report of meeting held on Tuesday, 15th November, 2016, be received by the Council.”

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

10. Attendance

Councillor Mrs R. Chatel gave her apologies for the remainder of the meeting and left with the consent of the Mayor at 5.20pm.

11. Environmental Services Committee – 14th November, 2016 – Clause A8

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 A8 of report of meeting held on Monday, 14th November, 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.

12. Attendance

During discussion of the following item Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells gave her apologies for the remainder of the meeting and left with the consent of the Mayor at 5.30pm.

13. Environmental Services Committee – 14th November, 2016 – Clauses A1 to A7 and A9 to A11

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 A7 and A9 to A11 inclusive of report of meeting held on Monday, 14th November, 2016, be received by the Council.”

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

14. **Adjournment and Resumption**

The meeting adjourned at 5.50pm and resumed at 6.00pm with the same Members and Officers present.

IN PRIVATE

15. **Private Council Agenda – 14th November, 2016**

Motion moved by Mr Councillor D.W. Christian, seconded by Mr Councillor R.H. McNicholl, “That the minutes of proceedings of the following Committees be received by the Council.”

Executive Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Friday, 25th November, 2016:


Housing Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Wednesday, 16th November, 2016:

Regeneration and Community Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Tuesday, 15th November, 2016:

Environmental Services Committee, as contained in private report of meeting held on Monday, 14th November, 2016.

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

The Council rose at 6.05pm.



Acting Chief Executive