

MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the **ANNUAL MEETING** of the **MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL**
held at The Town Hall, Tiverton on Wednesday 8 May 2013 at 7.00pm

Present

Councillors: Mrs B M Hull (Chairman)
Mrs E M Andrews, E J Berry, M D Binks, Mrs D L
Brandon, R J Chesterton, Mrs F J Colthorpe, D R
Coren, N V Davey, W J Daw, R M Deed, C J
Eginton, R Evans, Mrs S M Fox, Mrs S Griggs, P
H D Hare-Scott, P J Heal, Mrs L J Holloway, T G
Hughes, D J Knowles, M R Lee, E G Luxton, D F
Pugsley, R F Radford, Mrs J R Rendle, Mrs J
Roach, F J Rosamond, C R Slade, J D Squire,
Mrs M E Squires, R L Stanley, Mrs M E Turner, N
A Way, K D Wilson, Mrs N Woollatt and R Wright

Apologies

Councillors: Mrs H Bainbridge, J M Downes, A V G Griffiths,
M A Lucas, T W Snow and P F Williams

1 CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Mrs M E Squires nominated Councillor E J Berry for election as Chairman of the District Council for the Year 2013/2014. This nomination was seconded by Councillor W J Daw. It was then:-

RESOLVED that Councillor E J Berry be elected
Chairman of the Mid Devon District Council for the
Municipal Year 2013/2014.

In accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1972, Councillor E J Berry then made a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

2 RETIREMENT OF CHAIRMAN

The Chairman thanked the retiring Chairman, Councillor Mrs B M Hull for the way in which she had carried out the duties of her position and presented a past Chairman's badge embodying the Council's arms to Councillor Mrs Hull. The retiring Chairman thanked the Council.

3 CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

The Chairman addressed the Council and thanked the Members for having elected him as their Chairman.

4 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 24 April 2013 were approved as a correct record and **SIGNED** by the Chairman.

5 VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Mrs F J Colthorpe **MOVED**, seconded by Councillor Mrs B M Hull:-

“That Councillor R F Radford be appointed as Vice Chairman of the Council for the Municipal Year 2013/2014”.

Upon a vote being taken the **MOTION** was declared to have been **CARRIED**.

In accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1972, Councillor R F Radford then made a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and thanked the Council for having appointed him as its Vice Chairman.

6 **CHAIRMAN OF SCRUTINY**

Councillor Mrs L J Holloway nominated Councillor F J Rosamond for election as Chairman of Scrutiny, The nomination was seconded by Councillor Mrs D L Brandon.

Councillor D F Pugsley nominated Councillor Mrs J Roach for election as Chairman of Scrutiny. The nomination was seconded by Councillor Mrs M E Turner.

Upon a vote being taken, it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs J Roach be elected Chairman of Scrutiny for the Municipal Year 2013/2014.

7 **APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES, WORKING GROUPS AND OTHER INTERNAL BODIES**

The Council had before it Tables setting out the proposed allocation of seats on Committees and other Council bodies.

Arising thereon:-

Appointment of Committees and Allocation of Seats on Committees and other Council Bodies

The Chairman **MOVED THAT**,

(a) the Tables be approved with regard to the allocation of seats on Committees and other bodies;

(b) Members be appointed to Committees in accordance with the names notified to the Chief Executive by each of the Political Groups represented on the Council, to give effect to the approved allocation of seats as determined in (a) above;

(c) Members also be appointed to Working Groups and other Internal Bodies in accordance with the names notified to the Chief Executive by each of the Political Groups represented on the Council, to give effect to the approved allocation of seats as determined in (a) above;

(d) the Chief Executive be authorised to give effect to such changes to membership of Committees, Working Groups and other internal bodies as may be notified to him from time to time by the relevant Political Group to which those seats have been allocated by the Council.

(f) the appointment to seats remaining to be filled by Members, not being members of a Political Group, shall be made at this meeting.

Upon a vote being taken the **MOTION** was declared to have been **CARRIED** and the following Tables **APPROVED** including the appointment of Councillor Mrs J Roach to the Scrutiny Committee and as a Planning Committee substitute, the appointment of Councillor D J Knowles to the Planning Committee, the Planning Working Group, the Planning Policy Advisory Group and the Licensing and Regulatory Committees, the appointment of Councillor D F Pugsley to the Decent and Affordable Homes Policy Development Group and the Licensing and Regulatory Committees, and the appointment of Councillor Mrs N Woollatt to the Managing the Environment and Community Well Being Policy Development Groups and the Standards Committee.

	Totals	Independent Non-Aligned Group (ING) 6	Conservatives (Con) 24	Liberal Democrats (LD) 6	Westex Independent Group 2	Ungrouped 4
% Based on current membership of 42	100	14.29	57.14	14.29	4.76	9.52
Committee Seats	90	12	51	12	5	10
Other Bodies	22	3	13	3	1	2

COMMITTEE	No on Committee	ING 12	Con 51	LD 12	WIG 5	Ungrouped 10
Scrutiny	10	1.43 1	5.71 6	1.43 1	0.48 1	0.95 1
Audit	5	0.71 1	2.86 3	0.71 1	0.24 0	0.48 0
Managing the Environ PDG	7	1.00 1	4.00 4	1.00 1	0.33 0	0.67 1
Dec/Aff Homes PDG	7	1.00 1	4.00 4	1.00 1	0.33 0	0.67 1
Comm Well Being PDG	7	1.00 1	4.00 4	1.00 1	0.33 0	0.67 1
Planning	15	2.14 2	8.57 9	2.14 2	0.71 1	1.43 1
Licensing	15	2.14 2	8.57 8	2.14 2	0.71 1	1.43 2
Regulatory	15	2.14 2	8.57 8	2.14 2	0.71 1	1.43 2

Standards Committee	9	1.29 1	5.14 5	1.29 1	0.43 1	0.86 1
TOTAL	90	12	51	12	5	10
Other Bodies	No on Group	ING 3	Con 13	LD 3	WIG 1	Ungrouped 2
Planning Policy Advisory Group	9	1.29 1	5.14 5	1.29 1	0.43 1	0.86 1
PWG	8	1.14 1	4.57 5	1.14 1	0.38 0	0.76 1
Appointments Panel	5	0.71 1	2.86 3	0.71 1	0.24 0	0.48 0
TOTAL	22	3	13	3	1	2

Scrutiny (10)

E J Berry (C)
A V G Griffiths (C)
Mrs S Griggs (C)
T G Hughes (C)
M R Lee (C)
Mrs J R Rendle (C)
Mrs J Roach (U)
F J Rosamond (ING)
Mrs M E Turner (WIG)
N A Way (LD)

Audit Committee (5)

M D Binks (LD)
R Evans (C)
Mrs S M Fox (C)
Mrs L J Holloway (ING)
C Slade (C)

Managing the Environment PDG (7)

E J Berry (C)
D R Coren (C)
J M Downes (LD)
M A Lucas (ING)
J D Squire (C)
Mrs M E Squires (C)
Mrs N Woollatt (U)

Decent & Affordable Homes PDG (7)

Mrs E M Andrews (ING)
W J Daw (C)
P J Heal (C)
D F Pugsley (U)
R F Radford (C)
Mrs J R Rendle (C)
R Wright (LD)

Community Well-Being PDG (7)

Mrs H Bainbridge (C)
Mrs D L Brandon (ING)
Mrs S M Fox (C)
Mrs S Griggs (C)
M R Lee (C)
P F Williams (LD)
Mrs N Woollatt (U)

Planning Committee (15)

Mrs H Bainbridge (C)
 Mrs F J Colthorpe (C)
 J M Downes (LD)
 C J Eginton (C)
 A V G Griffiths (C)
 P J Heal (C)
 Mrs L J Holloway (ING)
 D J Knowles (U)
 E G Luxton (WIG)
 R F Radford (C)
 T W Snow (ING)
 J D Squire (C)
 Mrs M E Squires (C)
 R L Stanley (C)
 P F Williams (LD)

Planning Substitutes (5)

M D Binks (LD)
 D L Brandon (ING)
 Mrs S Griggs (C)
 Mrs B M Hull (C)
 Mrs J Roach (U)

Licensing Committee (15)

Mrs E M Andrews (ING)
 M D Binks (LD)
 R J Chesterton (C)
 Mrs F J Colthorpe (C)
 D R Coren (C)
 N V Davey (C)
 R Evans (C)
 A V G Griffiths (C)
 T G Hughes (C)
 D J Knowles (U)
 M R Lee (C)
 M A Lucas (ING)
 E G Luxton (WIG)
 D F Pugsley (U)
 P F Williams (LD)

Standards Committee (9)

R J Chesterton (C)
 R M Deed (C)
 R Evans (C)
 Mrs S M Fox (C)
 Mrs L J Holloway (ING)
 C Slade (C)
 Mrs M E Turner (WIG)
 Mrs N Woollatt (U)
 R Wright (LD)

Planning Working Group (8)

Mrs H Bainbridge (C)
 Mrs F J Colthorpe (C)
 P J Heal (C)
 Mrs L J Holloway (ING)
 D J Knowles (U)
 R F Radford (C)
 Mrs M E Squires (C)
 P F Williams (LD)

Regulatory Committee (15)

Mrs E M Andrews (ING)
 M D Binks (LD)
 R J Chesterton (C)
 Mrs F J Colthorpe (C)
 D R Coren (C)
 N V Davey (C)
 R Evans (C)
 A V G Griffiths (C)
 T G Hughes (C)
 D J Knowles (U)
 M R Lee (C)
 M A Lucas (ING)
 E G Luxton (WIG)
 D F Pugsley (U)
 P F Williams (LD)

Appointments Panel (5)

E J Berry (C)
 P H D Hare-Scott (C)
 Mrs B M Hull (C)
 F J Rosamond (ING)
 P F Williams (LD)

Planning Policy Advisory Group (9)

M D Binks (LD)
 R J Chesterton (C)

Mrs F J Colthorpe (C)
 Mrs B M Hull (C)
 D J Knowles (U)
 M A Lucas (ING)
 E G Luxton (WIG)
 Mrs M E Squires (C)
 R L Stanley (C)

C – Conservative
ING – Independent Non- Aligned Group
LD – Liberal Democrat
WIG – Westex Independent Group
U – Ungrouped Member

8 **APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

The Chairman **MOVED**,

“**THAT** with the exception of the Mid Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee and the Mid Devon Transport Group Members be appointed to outside bodies in accordance with the list circulated”

Upon a vote being taken the **MOTION** was declared to have been **CARRIED** and the following appointments **APPROVED**.

Outside Body	Representative/s	Appointment Length
Blackdown Hills ANOB Partnership	F J Rosamond	Annual
Broadpath Landfill Liaison Committee	Mrs D L Brandon	Annual
Business Forum Mid Devon	P H D Hare-Scott	Annual
Culm Valley Children’s Monitoring Group	VACANCY	Annual
Citizens Advice Bureau – Torridge, Mid Devon & Bude	F J Rosamond	May 2015
Community Safety Partnership	R M Deed	May 2015
Council for the Protection of Rural England Devon Area Executive Committee	J D Squire	Bi-annual
Crediton and Area Management and Marketing	W J Daw	Annual

Cullompton Town Team (Newly formed this year)	Mrs L J Holloway T W Snow	Annual
Cullompton Traffic Issues & Environment Working Group	Mrs L J Holloway	May 2015
Dartmoor National Park Authority Forum	J M Downes J D Squire	May 2015
Devon Authorities Waste Reduction & Recycling Committee	M A Lucas	May 2015
Devon Districts Forum	P H D Hare-Scott R F Radford	Annual
Devon Historic Buildings Trust	M R Lee	Annual
Devon and Exeter Rail Project Working Party	R M Deed T W Snow	Annual
General Assembly of LGA	P H D Hare-Scott	May 2015
INVOLVE – Voluntary Action in Mid Devon	D J Knowles	Annual
Local Strategic Partnership Executive	P H D Hare-Scott	May 2015
Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership - Exe Local Action Group - Creedy Local Action Group - Culm Local Action Group	Mrs J R Rendle R Wright Mrs E M Andrews	May 2015
Most Sparsely Populated Councils Group	Mrs M E Squires	May 2015
Museums Libraries and Archives South West	D J Knowles	Annual
RELATE – Exeter and District	Mrs H Bainbridge	Annual
Rural Commission – LGA	P H D Hare-Scott Sub – N V Davey	May 2015

South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust	R M Deed	May 2014
South West Councils	P H D Hare-Scott (Deputy N V Davey)	Annual
South West Councils Employers Panel	Mrs B M Hull	Annual
South West Provincial Council	P H D Hare-Scott (Deputy N V Davey)	Annual
Tiverton Adventure Playground Committee	D J Knowles	May 2015
Tiverton & Mid Devon Museum Trust Executive Committee	Mrs M E Turner	May 2015

In respect of the Mid Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee the three Members interested in being a representative each made a statement.

Councillor Mrs M E Squires then **MOVED**, seconded by Councillor M D Binks:

“**THAT** a paper ballot be held in respect of the appointments to the Mid Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee”

The Chairman indicated that under Procedure Rule 26 he would allow the **MOTION** to be put to the Council.

Upon a vote being taken, the **MOTION** was declared to have been **CARRIED**.

Following the ballot, Councillors R J Chesterton and Mrs L J Holloway were declared to have been appointed to the Committee.

In respect of the Mid Devon Transport Group, Councillor N A Way withdrew his name and Councillor R M Deed was declared to have been appointed.

With regard to the vacancy on the Culm Valley Children’s Monitoring Group, Councillor R F Radford expressed an interest in the appointment. It was **AGREED** that Councillor R F Radford should be the representative.

Note: Councillors E J Berry, Mrs F J Colthorpe, R F Radford and N A Way declared personal interests as they were County Council representatives on the Mid Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee.

9 **SCHEME OF DELEGATIONS**

The Chairman **MOVED**:-

“**THAT** the Council agree the existing scheme of delegations as set out in Part 3 of the Constitution”

Upon a vote being taken the **MOTION** was declared to have been **CARRIED**.

10 **PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS**

The Chairman **MOVED**:-

“THAT the following programme of ordinary meetings of the Council for the year 2013/14 be approved:-

3 July 2013	18 December 2013
4 September 2013	26 February 2014
30 October 2013	30 April 2014

Upon a vote being taken the **MOTION** was declared to have been **CARRIED**.

(The Meeting ended at 8.12 pm)

CHAIRMAN