

SELECTION AND MEMBER SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Selection and Member Services Committee held in the Wantsum Room, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone on Tuesday, 7 June 2011.

PRESENT: Mr D L Brazier (Substitute for Mr B J Sweetland), Mr G Cowan, Mrs T Dean, Mrs S V Hohler, Mr P J Homewood, Mr A J King, MBE, Mr K G Lynes
Mrs J Whittle

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms C Davis (Policy Manager), Mr D Whittle (Policy Manager), Mr G Wild (Director of Governance and Law), Mr P Sass (Head of Democratic Services) Mr A Tait (Democratic Services Officer)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

13. Membership

(Item 1)

The Committee noted that Mrs J Whittle, Mr P J Homewood and Mr G Cowan had replaced Mr R A Marsh, Mrs J Rook and Mr L Christie respectively as Members of the Committee.

14. Election of Chairman

(Item 3)

(1) Mr A J King moved, seconded by Mrs S V Hohler that Mr P J Homewood be elected Chairman of the Committee.

Carried with no opposition

(2) Mr P J Homewood thereupon took the Chair.

15. Minutes - 22 March 2011

(Item 5)

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2011 are correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chairman.

16. Establishing a Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board for Kent

(Item 6)

(1) Mrs J Whittle made a declaration of Personal Interest as her husband was the Contact Officer for the report.

(2) Mrs T Dean moved, seconded by Mr G Cowan that the Committee recommend to the County Council that an Opposition Member be invited to take up membership of the Kent Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board.

Motion Lost 2 votes to 5.

(3) RESOLVED that the County Council be recommended to: -

- (a) establish the Kent Health and Wellbeing Board (KHWB) as a committee of Kent County Council, operating in shadow form until legislation is enacted;
- (b) agree its own membership of the KHWB together with the Terms of Reference set out in Appendix 1 to the report;
- (c) agree that the KHWB will report annually to the County Council on its activity and progress over the previous 12 months; and
- (d) agree that it will review and amend where necessary the Terms of Reference and Standing Orders of the KHWB in the light of its development over the next 18 months, its evaluation programme and the publication of relevant legislation and guidance.

17. Recorded Voting at Planning Applications Committee meetings

(Item 7)

- (1) In agreeing the recommendations, the Committee asked that the report to County Council should clarify the reasons why the way in which each individual Committee Member voted could become a matter of legal significance.
- (2) RESOLVED that subject to (1) above, the County Council be recommended to agree that the Director of Governance and Law's advice (set out in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the report) be adopted into the Constitution.

18. Members' Allowances 2010/11

(Item 8)

RESOLVED that the report on the annual return for Members' expenses in 2010/11 be noted.

19. Members' accommodation

(Item 9)

The Committee noted that this report had been withdrawn

20. Outside Bodies - Rochester Bridge Trust

(Item 10)

- (1) Mr A J King moved, seconded by Mr D L Brazier that Mr P J Homewood be appointed to the Rochester Bridge Trust.

Carried with no opposition

- (2) The Committee agreed that the Chairman of the County Council should be requested to write to Mr F Gibson to thank him for his long service and contributions as the County Council's representative on the Trust.

- (3) RESOLVED that:-

- (a) Mr P J Homewood be appointed to the Rochester Bridge Trust; and

- (b) The Chairman of the County Council be requested to write to Mr F Gibson, thanking him for his long service and contributions as the County Council's representative on the Trust.

21. Outside Bodies - Regional Flood and Coastal Committee

(Item 11)

RESOLVED that Mr A H T Bowles, Mr M J Harrison and Mr R E King be appointed as the County Council's representatives on the Southern Regional Flood and Coastal Committee, subject to ministerial approval being given for its proposed composition.

22. Members' Allowances and Overheads Budget 2011/12

(Item 14)

The Committee noted that this report had been withdrawn.