



AGENDA

SELECTION AND MEMBER SERVICES COMMITTEE

Friday, 6th July, 2007, at 10.00 am
Wantsum Room, Sessions House,
County Hall, Maidstone

Ask for: **Mary Cooper**
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UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

(During these items the meeting is likely to be open to the public)

1. Substitutes
2. Minutes - 16 April and 17 May 2007 (Pages 1 - 4)
3. Declarations of Interests by Members in items on the Agenda for this meeting.
4. Members' Allowances 2006-07 (Pages 5 - 8)
5. Procedures at County Council Meetings (Pages 9 - 10)
6. Membership of Outside Bodies - The Caldecott Foundation School (Pages 11 - 12)

EXEMPT ITEMS

(At the time of preparing the agenda there were no exempt items. During any such items which may arise the meeting is likely NOT to be open to the public)

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Thursday, 28 June 2007

Please note that any background documents referred to in the accompanying papers maybe inspected by arrangement with the officer responsible for preparing the relevant report.

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KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

SELECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Selection Committee held at Sessions House, Maidstone on Monday, 16 April 2007.

PRESENT: Mr M J Harrison (Chairman), Mr T J Birkett, Mrs T Dean, Mr A J King, MBE, Mr K G Lynes, Mr R G Parry (substitute for Mr P B Carter), and Mr R A Marsh (substitute for Mr J D Simmonds).

OFFICERS: Mr P G Gilroy, Chief Executive; Mr G Wild, Director of Law and Governance; Mr S C Ballard, Head of Democratic Services and Mrs M E Cooper, Democratic Services Manager.

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

7. Minutes
(Item 2)

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 March 2007 are correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chairman.

8. Proposed Constitutional Changes
(Item 3 – Report by Head of Democratic Services)

RESOLVED that the proposed constitutional changes as appended to these Minutes be recommended to the County Council on 17 May 2007 for approval.

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KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

SELECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Selection Committee held at Sessions House, Maidstone on Thursday, 17 May 2007.

PRESENT: Mrs A Allen (substitute for Mr K G Lynes), Mr P B Carter (Chairman), Mrs T Dean, Dr M R Eddy, Ms A Harrison, Mr A J King MBE, Mr J D Simmonds, and Mrs P A V Stockell.

OFFICERS: Mrs M E Cooper, Democratic Services Manager.

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

9. Membership
(Item 1)

The Committee noted the appointments of Mrs P A V Stockell and Ms A Harrison in place of Mr M J Harrison and Mr T Birkett respectively.

10. Election of Chairman
(Item 3)

Mr A J King moved Mrs A D Allen seconded Mrs P A V Stockell be elected as Chairman of the Committee.

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By: Head of Democratic Services

To: Selection Committee – 6 July 2007

Subject: MEMBERS ALLOWANCES 2006/07

Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: The report is to note the annual return for Members' Expenses

FOR INFORMATION

Introduction

1. We have a statutory requirement to publish annually the allowances paid to Members and although not a requirement for completeness we have consistently included travel and fares.

Recommendations

2. Members are requested to note this report.

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Background Information: None

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KENT COUNTY COUNCIL**MEMBER ALLOWANCES 1 APRIL 2006 - 31 MARCH 2007**

COUNCIL MEMBER	Mileage	Fares and other authorised payments	Basic	SRA	Total Allowances
	£	£	£	£	£
Mrs A D Allen	3,205.75	2.00	12,000.00	9,020.04	24,228
C ANGELL	999.55	15.20	12,000.00	3,758.34	16,773
Mr M J Angell	2,589.05		12,000.00	9,020.04	23,609
Mr A R Bassam			12,000.00		12,000
Mr T J Birkett		1,230.25	12,000.00	7,140.93	20,371
A BLISS	620.00		12,000.00		12,620
A BOWLES			12,000.00	2,157.99	14,158
Mr D L Brazier	1,998.00		12,000.00	9,020.04	23,018
Sir Sandy Bruce-Lockhart OBE			12,000.00		12,000
Mr J R Bullock MBE	2,354.22	31.80	12,000.00		14,386
R B BURGESS	1,566.40		12,000.00		13,566
Mr C J Capon		1,231.50	12,000.00	9,020.04	22,252
S CAREY	3,029.73	20.00	12,000.00	9,020.04	24,070
Mr P B Carter	3,768.63		12,000.00	41,000.04	56,769
Mr N J D Chard	3,080.00	877.90	12,000.00	26,649.96	42,608
Mr A R Chell	526.40		12,000.00	9,020.04	21,546
L CHRISTIE	1,004.53	20.68	12,000.00	7,140.91	20,166
Mr B R Cope	1,568.00	52.50	12,000.00		13,621
Ms C J Cribbon	661.60		12,000.00	6,389.26	19,051
A D CROWTHER	1,186.20		12,000.00		13,186
J CURWOOD	1,371.69	51.88	12,000.00	4,008.91	17,432
Mrs V J Dagger	672.00		12,000.00		12,672
Mr D S Daley			12,000.00		12,000
Mr M C Dance	712.80		12,000.00	9,020.04	21,733
Mr J A Davies	1,842.53	46.50	12,000.00	4,008.91	17,898
Mrs T Dean	418.00	61.70	12,000.00		12,480
Dr M R Eddy	6,832.52	551.30	12,000.00	20,499.96	39,884
Mrs M E Featherstone	223.70	28.00	12,000.00	9,020.04	21,272
Mr K A Ferrin MBE	3,476.13	336.25	12,000.00	26,649.96	42,462
Mr C G Findlay	766.57		12,000.00	9,020.04	21,787
Mr M J Fittock	2,647.49	280.81	12,000.00	6,389.26	21,318
Mr J B O Fullarton	3,297.91	3.00	12,000.00	666.80	15,968
Mr T Gates	531.20		12,000.00		12,531
Mr G K Gibbens	2,928.55	1,514.30	12,000.00	26,649.96	43,093
R GOUGH	2,776.11	159.80	12,000.00	19,157.25	34,093
E GREEN			12,000.00		12,000
HARRISON	682.57	8.00	12,000.00		12,691
Mr M J Harrison	4,560.86	3.92	12,000.00	9,020.04	25,585
C HART	1,419.43	222.00	12,000.00		13,641
Mr W A Hayton	2,084.94		12,000.00	9,020.04	23,105
C HIBBERD	2,927.80	15.50	12,000.00		14,943

Mr P M Hill OBE	4,387.61	254.14	12,000.00	26,649.96	43,292
Mr D A Hirst	2,775.59		12,000.00		14,776
Mrs S V Hohler	1,136.94	51.75	12,000.00		13,189
G A HORNE			12,000.00		12,000
Mr E E C Hotson	771.00		12,000.00	9,020.04	21,791
Mr I T N Jones	1,730.63		12,000.00		13,731
Mr A J King	16.00	33.70	12,000.00	26,649.96	38,700
Mr R E King	1,844.76	7.29	12,000.00	13,530.00	27,382
Mr S J G Koowaree	1,386.45		12,000.00		13,386
Mr P W A Lake	2,476.23		12,000.00	16,262.19	30,738
Mr J Law	1,870.75		12,000.00	2,461.08	16,332
Mr J F London	1,421.60		12,000.00	2,000.40	15,422
R L LONG	1,093.35	16.00	12,000.00	5,011.13	18,120
Mr K G Lynes	4,664.85	416.46	12,000.00	26,649.96	43,731
T A MADDISON	2,394.23	5.40	12,000.00		14,400
Mr R F Manning (Elected 19/9/02)	3,088.06	395.70	12,000.00	9,020.04	24,504
R A MARSH	3,713.58	331.76	12,000.00	9,020.04	25,065
Mr J I Muckle	905.08		12,000.00	6,389.26	19,294
Mrs M Newell	740.35		12,000.00		12,740
Mr W V Newman	2,185.20		12,000.00		14,185
M J NORTHEY	1,832.80	155.90	12,000.00		13,989
Mr R J E Parker		1,565.10	12,000.00	6,389.26	19,954
R PARRY	4,828.80	24.70	12,000.00	9,020.04	25,874
R A PASCOE	1,388.91	2.00	12,000.00	9,020.04	22,411
Mr A R Poole	3,393.93	1.40	12,000.00		15,395
Mr L B Ridings	6,345.53	3.40	12,000.00	10,499.08	28,848
Dr T R Robinson	3,241.55	39.47	12,000.00	19,157.25	34,438
E ROWBOTHAM	1,714.91	18.00	12,000.00		13,733
Mr G Rowe	446.55	1.50	12,000.00		12,448
Mr K Sansum		161.95	12,000.00		12,162
Mr J E Scholes			12,000.00	9,020.04	21,020
Mr J D Simmonds	5,291.24	91.40	12,000.00	26,649.96	44,033
B SIMPSON	73.47		12,000.00		12,073
Mr D Smyth	348.31	986.00	12,000.00	8,268.37	21,603
Mr M V Snelling	2,234.37	54.70	12,000.00	9,020.04	23,309
Mrs P A V Stockell	1,182.54	50.10	12,000.00	9,020.04	22,253
Mr R Tolputt	2,709.72	12.90	12,000.00		14,723
R TRUELOVE	282.40		12,000.00	7,140.89	19,423
E TWEED	4,213.48	138.52	12,000.00	9,020.04	25,372
Mr M J Vye	675.31		12,000.00	9,020.04	21,695
C WELLS	4,628.00		12,000.00	4,643.32	21,271
Mr B P Wood	422.40		12,000.00	2,715.75	15,138
Mr F Wood-Brignall	996.80		12,000.00	12,196.39	25,193
TOTAL	153,184	11,584	1,008,000	614,953	1,787,722

By: Head of Democratic Services

To: Selection Committee – 6 July 2007

Subject: PROCEDURES AT COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: The Committee is asked to consider arrangements for County Council meetings.

FOR DECISION

Introduction

1. At its meeting on 16 April 2007 the Committee agreed to recommend to the County Council that Procedure Rules applying to County Council meetings - paragraph 1.34(1) of the Constitution be amended as follows:-

“The text of any written motion or amendment must be given to the Clerk by 10.00 am on the morning of the meeting. If it is not, the Chairman may rule that it falls. Any proposed motion/amendment to be treated in confidence by the Clerk”.

2. The County Council at its meeting on 17 May 2007 referred this back to the Selection Committee for further consideration of the wording as it was felt that the proposal could restrict Members during the course of debate. The purpose of this change was so that any amendments would be available for use with the powerpoint presentation within the Chamber. This would assist the Clerk to the meeting where long detailed amendments are proposed. The Committee is asked to consider whether or not to insert the words “long and detailed written motions or amendments”.

3. At its meeting on 18 January 2007, the Committee asked the Informal Member Group on Going Local to review all aspects of County Council meetings, particularly the possibility of allowing greater public engagement, and make recommendations back to this Committee.

4. The Informal Member Group considered this issue at its meetings on 10 April, 9 May and 26 June 2007 and makes the following recommendations to the Committee:-

- (a) the idea of a public question time at full Council meetings be not pursued
- (b) the number of Council meetings held each year be increased by one;
- (c) no change be made to Council meeting start and finish times;

- (d) Members' questions be subject to rigorous checking to ensure that they comply with the rules in the Constitution. Those that do not comply should be rejected.
- (e) in order to enable more Members to have an opportunity to participate, the rules for the time-limited debates be modified so that:-
 - (i) no speech (including that by the proposer and seconder) should exceed three minutes;
 - (ii) the proposer should have no right of reply. Instead, the seconder should have the right to wind up the debate. (This would be the seconder's only opportunity to speak).

Recommendations

5. The Committee is requested to note the proposals in paragraph 4 (a) (c) and (d) above and to consider recommending the changes proposed in paragraphs 2 and 4 (b) and (e) to the County Council for approval.

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Background Information: None

By: Head of Democratic Services

To: Selection Committee – 6 July 2007

Subject: MEMBERSHIP OF OUTSIDE BODIES – THE CALDECOTT
FOUNDATION SCHOOL

Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: To agree an outside body appointment to the Caldecott Foundation
School

Introduction

1. The Caldecott Foundation is a charitable foundation which cares for children who have suffered extremes of neglect. Its patron is the Archbishop of Canterbury. The Caldecott School, based in Smeeth near Ashford is the educational part of the provision of year-round residential care for 5 to 16 year olds.
2. Lady Amanda Ellingworth, Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Caldecott Foundation School wrote to Kent County Council on 17 April 2007. This letter is appended to the report.
3. The Board of Trustees has requested Kent County Council to appoint Sue Soan as a Local Authority Nominated Governor. She is a Senior Lecturer and Gifted and Talented Lead Academic at Canterbury Christ Church University.

Recommendations

4. Members are requested to consider whether to appoint Sue Soan as a Local Authority Nominated Governor of the Caldecott Foundation School.

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Background Documents: None.

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