

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

SELECTION AND MEMBER SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Selection and Member Services Committee held in the Swale 2, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone on Wednesday, 13 June 2012.

PRESENT: Mr P J Homewood (Chairman), Mr G Cowan, Mr M C Dance, Mr A J King, MBE, Mr T Prater (Substitute for Mrs T Dean), Mr B J Sweetland, Mr M J Whiting and Mrs J Whittle

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr G Wild (Director of Governance and Law), Mr P Sass (Head of Democratic Services), Mrs J Doherty (Policy Manager) and Mr A Tait (Democratic Services Officer)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

10. Minutes - 11 May 2012

(Item 3)

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 May 2012 are correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chairman.

11. Members' Allowances and Expenses for 2011/12

(Item 4)

(1) In response to a question from Mr T Prater, the Head of Democratic Services agreed to consider the possibility of redesigning the Members' Expenses Claim Form to distinguish between journeys from home to County Hall and other County Council business.

(2) RESOLVED that:-

(a) the report be noted; and

(b) approval be given to the publication of the allowances and expenses for 2011/12 as required by the *Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003* and detailed in Appendix A to the report.

12. Proposed County Car Policy

(Item 5)

(1) Mr T Prater moved that the words "Leader" and "Deputy Leader" be deleted from paragraphs 1 and 8 of the draft County Car Policy. This motion was not put to the vote as it was not seconded.

(2) Mr M J Whiting moved, seconded by Mr B J Sweetland that the proposed revised County Car Policy be adopted subject to the inclusion of the Leader of the Opposition in paragraphs 1 and 8 of the draft Policy.

Motion carried by 7 votes to 1

(3) Mr T Prater requested pursuant to Committee Procedure Rule 2.20 (3) that his vote against the resolution set out in (4) below be recorded in the Minutes.

(4) RESOLVED that approval be given to the County Car Policy as appended to these Minutes.

13. Appointment of KCC Members to the Kent Big Society Investment Panel

(Item 6)

(1) The Committee noted that, whilst the appointments would nominally be for a three year period, they would necessarily be reviewed after the local government elections in 2013.

(2) RESOLVED that subject to (1) above, Mr P M Hill, Mr D A Hirst and Mr L Christie be appointed as Members of the Big Society Investment Panel for a period of three years.

14. Appointments to Outside Bodies

(Item 7)

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) Mr M C Dance be appointed as the County Council's representative to Locate in Kent; and
- (b) the appointment by the Leader of Mr M C Dance as the County Council's representative on Thames Gateway Strategic Partnership and the Kent Economic Board be noted.