

22 MAY 1995

NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the annual meeting of the New Forest District Council held at Appletree Court, Lyndhurst on Monday, 22 May 1995.

Councillors:

p K E Austin
p Mrs O A M Badland
p S Bailey
p P A Baker
p Mrs P D Baker
p Major C Beeton MBE
p Mrs C A Bianchi
p E R Bowring
p D S Burdle
p J E Coles
p Miss S A Cooke
p M R Cox
p D E Cracknell
p W F Croydon
p B D Dash
p G Dawson
p J J Dawson
p Miss P A Drake
p K W Drew
p B C Earwicker
p A S Emery
p Mrs L K Errington
p R K Goodridge
p W J Greer
p R C H Hale
p L E Harris
p D Harrison
p F R Harrison
p S A Hayes

Councillors:

p Mrs A M Howe
p JM Hoy
p J A G Hutchins JP
p M R Jones
p M J Kendal
p G N D Locock
p Mrs B M Maynard
p N D M McGeorge
p Mrs M McLean
p S M Noel
p R F Orton
p P G Pearce-Smith
p C G Ramsden
p A W Rice TD
p B Rickman
p Miss G M Rickus CBE
p Mrs M J Robinson
p D N Scott
p Lt Col M J Shand
p S A Shepherd
p Mrs B Smith
p Mrs L P Snashall
p G Spikins
p Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson MBE JP
p M S Wade
p S S Wade
p Dr M N Whitehead
p Mrs D Wilson
p Mrs P A Wyeth

Officers Attending:

P A D Hyde, N J Gibbs, D A Gurney, Mrs M Holmes, E S Johnson, I B Mackintosh, Miss J Debnam and T R Simpson.

The Chairman of the Council (Cllr Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson MBE JP)
in the Chair

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

Cllr J J Dawson moved that Cllr S S Wade be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year. The motion was seconded by Cllr Greer.

Other members spoke in support of the election of Cllr S S Wade, and it was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That Cllr S S Wade be elected Chairman of the Council to continue in office until his successor becomes entitled to act as Chairman at the next annual meeting of the Council on 20 May 1996.

Cllr Wade took the chair and made the declaration of acceptance of office which was formally witnessed by the Director of Finance and Administration.

Cllr Vernon-Jackson invested the Chairman with the chain and badge of office. She also invested the Chairman's consort with her badge of office and presented her with a basket of flowers.

On behalf of the staff, the Chief Executive congratulated the Chairman on his election.

The Chairman thanked members for his election. He looked forward to the challenges to be met by local government in the coming year including the increasing introduction of compulsory competitive tendering and also of total quality concepts. His personal objectives were to support the staff through the process of compulsory competitive tendering and also to oversee the review of the policy document New Forest 2000. He believed the Council must concentrate on developing closer working relationships with both the County and local councils now that the review of local government structure had been completed. He also spoke of the forthcoming changes in the management structure of the Authority. Finally, he hoped that all members would work together as a team to represent the best interests of local people.

The Chairman of the Council (Cllr S S Wade) in the Chair

2. VOTE OF THANKS TO CLLR VERNON-JACKSON.

It was moved by the Chairman of the Council, seconded by Cllr Mrs Howe and unanimously

RESOLVED:

That the best wishes of this Council be accorded to Cllr Jean Vernon-Jackson for her outstanding service during her term of office as Chairman of the Council and that she be wished every success for the future.

Members spoke of the way in which Cllr Vernon-Jackson had undertaken her duties in the local community and believed she was an exemplary ambassador for the Authority. Members also commended her caring attitude towards the staff.

On behalf of all the staff, the Chief Executive expressed thanks and good wishes to Cllr Vernon-Jackson. He believed that the staff had appreciated the Chairman's outstanding efforts throughout a difficult period for the Authority. She had combined many duties at several different levels and maintained

great dignity throughout every occasion. The staff had appreciated the Chairman's concern on their behalf.

The Chairman presented Cllr Vernon-Jackson with a past-Chairman's badge and a basket of flowers.

Cllr Vernon-Jackson thanked her fellow councillors for allowing her to undertake the role of Chairman during the preceding two years. She also thanked all those councillors who had accompanied her on civic functions and hoped that they had enjoyed an additional insight into the civic duties of the Chairman's role. She also thanked the officers who had accompanied her. She thanked the Council's officers for their unfailing support and friendship throughout her period of office and also recalled with affection, the courtesy, care and concern that she had encountered from the people of the New Forest District.

3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

It was moved by the Chairman of the Council that Cllr Cooke be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council. The motion was seconded by Cllr Robinson.

Cllr Greer proposed that Cllr Hutchins be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council. The amendment was seconded by Cllr Wyeth.

On a vote by ballot it was

RESOLVED:

That Cllr Miss S A Cooke be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council to hold office until immediately after the election of the Chairman at the next annual meeting of the Council on 20 May 1996.

Cllr Cooke made the declaration of acceptance of office, which was formally witnessed by the Director of Finance and Administration.

The Chairman invested Cllr Cooke with the badge of office, and presented her with a basket of flowers.

Cllr Cooke thanked members for her appointment.

4. RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT (REPORT A).

Members were advised that the following councillors had been elected to serve on the New Forest District Council at the elections held on 4 May 1995, and that each had made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Ward Name	Candidate Elected
Barton	K E Austin K W Drew
Bashley	A W Rice Mrs D Wilson

Becton	S Bailey M R Jones
Blackfield and Langley	Mrs A M Howe Mrs B M Maynard
Boldre	D N Scott
Bransgore and Sopley	Miss G M Rickus
Brockenhurst	W J Greer
Colbury	G Spikins
Copythorne South	W F Croydon
Dibden and Hythe North	B D Dash Mrs M J Robinson S S Wade
Dibden Purlieu	Mrs B Smith
Downlands	G N D Locock
Fawley/Holbury	J E Coles M R Cox P G Pearce-Smith
Fordingbridge	R C H Hale M J Shand
Forest North	C G Ramsden
Forest North West	Dr M N Whitehead
Forest South	Mrs O A Badland
Forest West	Miss P A Drake R F Orton
Hordle	E R Bowring J M Hoy
Hythe South	G Dawson Mrs M McLean M S Wade
Lymington Town	R K Goodridge S A Hayes S M Noel
Lyndhurst	Mrs P A Wyeth
Marchwood	Mrs C A Bianchi
Milford	C Beeton M J Kendal
Milton	B C Earwicker J A G Hutchins

Netley Marsh	D S Burdle
Pennington	N D M McGeorge Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson
Ringwood North	Mrs P D Baker Mrs L K Errington
Ringwood South	P A Baker D E Cracknell
Sway	B Rickman
Totton Central	L E Harris F R Harrison S A Shepherd
Totton North	Miss S A Cooke J J Dawson A S Emery
Totton South	D Harrison Mrs L P Snashall

5. VOTE OF THANKS TO FORMER COUNCILLORS.

The Chairman of the Council moved, Cllr Greer seconded and it was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That the best wishes of this Council for their services to local government in this District as councillors, be accorded to the following who are no longer members of this Council:-

Mrs N E Alldridge	Mrs Y P Holloway
Mrs M J Bannister	J Lovering
Mrs D M Brooks	J Maynard
J G Craig	Miss G E Meaden
B A Cullers	A J Simmons
Major S S Elvery	R G Vernon-Jackson
L P Gibbs	G H Wales
A J C Griffiths	

6. MINUTES.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 1995, having been circulated, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

6. FORMER CLLR MRS N E ALLDRIDGE.

The Chairman announced with regret that Mrs Alldridge's step-son had died peacefully on Saturday, 20 May 1995. All those present stood in silence as a token of

respect. It was agreed that a letter of condolence would be sent, on behalf of all the Council, to former Cllr Mrs Alldridge.

7. NOTICE OF MOTION.

In accordance with Standing Order 7, Cllr McGeorge moved the following motion:-

"That this Council welcomes the report and recommendations, concerning the House of Commons, of the Nolan Committee on Standards in Public Life, and supports the proposal of Lord Nolan to extend the committee's work to examine standards in local government".

The motion was seconded by Cllr J J Dawson.

In accordance with Standing Order 7 the motion stood referred to the Policy and Resources Committee for debate, for a report to be brought back to the next meeting of the Council.

7. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES (REPORT B).

RESOLVED:

That committees be appointed with the membership shown, as set out in Annexe 1 to these minutes.

8. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE.

It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED:

That Cllr J E Coles be elected Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee to hold office until the Annual Meeting in 1996.

9. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS.

RESOLVED:

That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to any orders, deeds or documents necessary to give effect to any decision made at this meeting.

CHAIRMAN

(CL220595.DOC)

ANNEXE 1

COMMITTEES

BUSINESS SERVICES CONTRACTS (Formerly proposed to be Professional Services Contracts)

P A Baker
Major C Beeton
M R Cox
R K Goodridge
Mrs A M Howe
B Rickman
Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson
Dr M N Whitehead

CENTRAL SERVICES

K E Austin
Mrs P D Baker
B D Dash
J J Dawson
Miss P A Drake
R C H Hale
L E Harris
S A Hayes
J M Hoy
M R Jones
M J Kendal
G N D Locock
N D M McGeorge
R F Orton
P G Pearce-Smith
C G Ramsden
S A Shepherd
Mrs L P Snashall
G Spikins
M S Wade

DIRECT SERVICES CONTRACTS (Formerly Contract Services)

K E Austin
Miss S A Cooke
G Dawson
Miss P A Drake
R C H Hale
M R Jones
Miss G M Rickus
Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson

EMERGENCIES

Mrs P D Baker
Mrs O A M Badland
Major C Beeton
D Harrison
Mrs B M Maynard
S M Noel
P G Pearce-Smith
Lt Col M J Shand
M S Wade
Mrs P A Wyeth

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Mrs O A M Badland
Major C Beeton
M R Cox

W F Croydon
A S Emery
L E Harris
S A Hayes
Mrs A M Howe
J M Hoy
J A G Hutchins
N D M McGeorge
Mrs M McLean
S M Noel
C G Ramsden
A W Rice
S A Shepherd
Mrs B Smith
G Spikins
M S Wade
Dr M N Whitehead

HOUSING

Mrs O A M Badland
S Bailey
Mrs C A Bianchi
D E Cracknell
W F Croydon
B D Dash
B C Earwicker
F R Harrison
M J Kendal
G N D Locock
Mrs B M Maynard
N D M McGeorge
Mrs M McLean
S M Noel
C G Ramsden
A W Rice
Mrs M J Robinson
Lt Col M J Shand
Mrs D Wilson
Mrs P A Wyeth

LEISURE SERVICES

S Bailey
P A Baker
Mrs C A Bianchi
J E Coles
D E Cracknell
J J Dawson
K W Drew
A S Emery
R K Goodridge
Mrs A M Howe
J M Hoy
J A G Hutchins
R F Orton
P G Pearce-Smith
B Rickman
Mrs L P Snashall
M S Wade
S S Wade

Dr M N Whitehead
Mrs D Wilson

LICENSING

Mrs P D Baker
J J Dawson
Miss P A Drake
B C Earwicker
L E Harris
D Harrison
J M Hoy
N D M McGeorge
C G Ramsden
A W Rice

PLANNING

P A Baker
Major C Beeton
E R Bowring
D S Burdle
J E Coles
Miss S A Cooke
G Dawson
Miss P A Drake
K W Drew
B C Earwicker
A S Emery
Mrs L K Errington
R K Goodridge
W J Greer
R C H Hale
F R Harrison
Miss G M Rickus
Mrs B Smith
Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson
Mrs P A Wyeth

POLICY AND RESOURCES

P A Baker
E R Bowring
D S Burdle
J E Coles
Miss S A Cooke
J J Dawson
Mrs L K Errington
W J Greer
R C H Hale
J M Hoy
J A G Hutchins
M J Kendal
G N D Locock
R F Orton
Miss G M Rickus
Mrs M J Robinson
D N Scott
Mrs B Smith
Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson
S S Wade

STRATEGIC GROWTH IN TOTTON ADVISORY

Mrs O A M Badland
D S Burdle
Miss S A Cooke
J J Dawson
A S Emery
L E Harris
D Harrison
F R Harrison
C G Ramsden
D N Scott
S A Shepherd
Mrs L P Snashall
G Spikins
Mrs P A Wyeth