

NORTH DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2018

Present: Cllrs B Batty-Smith MBE, A Burch (Vice-Chairman), G Carr-Jones, A Cattaway, A Chase, B Cooper, D Croney, V Fox, J Francis, M Gould, T Handford, A Kerby, N Lacey-Clarke, C Langham, V Potheary (Chairman), S Pritchard (Left at the end of item 31.), D Skipwith, J Somper, Jackie Stayt, John Stayt, D Walsh, J Westbrook and P Williams MBE

Apologies: Cllrs P Batstone, D Beer, P Brown, S Jespersen, E Parker, B Ridout, M Roake and J Tanner

Also present:

Officers present (for all or part of the meeting):

Stuart Caundle (Head of Paid Service) and Kate Critchel (Senior Democratic Services Officer)

28. **Code of Conduct**

There were no declarations of interest to report.

29. **Minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 19 October 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

30. **Urgent Business**

There was no urgent business to report.

31. **Fontmell Magna Neighbourhood Plan**

The Portfolio Holder of Planning presented a report seeking members support to make the Fontmell Magna Neighbourhood Plan 2017 – 2031 part of the development plan for use in planning decisions in the Fontmell Magna Neighbourhood Area.

He advised members that the Parish Council, on behalf of parish residents, greatly appreciated the time and effort contributed by the councils consultant, and the group of volunteers from the parish and who had served at various times on the working group over the past 30 months. The district council held a referendum on 15 November 2018 with the area covered by the referendum being the parish of Fontmell Magna. Over 91.5% voted in favour of the plan with 8.5% voting against the plan. The overall turnout was 48%. Members noted that where a referendum result is more than half of the community voting in favour of the proposal the District Council must adopt the plan.

In addressing the Council, the local ward member Cllr C Langham thanked the Fontmell Magna Team for their efforts in succeeding in developing the

plan which should act as the blue print for sustainable development in the area. As the Dorset County Council ward member for the area, the Leader of the Council took this opportunity to congratulate all who had been involved in producing a successful neighbourhood plan.

It was proposed by Cllr C Langham seconded by Cllr D Walsh

Decision

- (a) That the District make the Fontmell Magna Neighbourhood Plan 2017-2031 (as set out in the Appendix A of the report) part of the statutory development plan for the Fontmell Magna Neighbourhood Area.
- (b) That the District Council offers its congratulations to Fontmell Magna Parish Council and members of the Neighbourhood Plan Group in producing a successful neighbourhood plan.

Cllr Pritchard left the meeting at the end of this item.

32. Honorary Aldermen

The Leader of the Council set a report to seeking approval to confer the title of Honorary Alderman to Bill Batty-Smith, MBE, Deborah Croney, Victor Fox and Michael Roake.

The Leader of the Council continued that these four councillors deserved the council's recognition for the collective 72 years of loyal service they had given to the North Dorset District Council and the public that they served.

It was proposed by Cllr G Carr-Jones seconded by Cllr V Potheary

Decision

That a special meeting of Full Council be convened in the new year for the purpose of conferring the title of Honorary Alderman to Bill Batty-Smith MBE, Deborah Croney, Victor Fox and Michael Roake.

Duration of meeting: 10.00 - 10.25 am

Chairman

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