

## City of Durham

At a Meeting of the **COUNCIL** held in the Auditorium, Gala Theatre, Durham, on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2007, at 2.00 p.m.

**Present:** The Right Worshipful the Mayor of Durham, Councillor Wynn (in the Chair) and Councillors Bartle, Carr, Colledge, Cowper, Crooks, Dickie, Freeman, Holland, Hopgood, Howarth, Jackson, Kelly, Kinghorn, Laverick, Lightley, Lodge, McDonnell, Marsden, Martin, Mavin, Mitchell, Pitts, Plews, Rae, Reynolds, Robinson, Simmons, Simpson, D Smith, M.J.A. Smith, Southwell, Thompson, Turnbull, van Zwanenberg, Wilkes, Wilkinson, Woods and Young.

### 88. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bell, Guy, Norman, Stoddart, Taylor, Thomson and Wolstenholme.

### 89. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2007, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

### 90. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor reminded Councillors what his charity was in aid of and asked the help of fellow Councillors with getting him out into their communities and meeting residential/local groups.

#### Report of the Director of Legal and Administration Services

**Note:** Councillor Turnbull entered the Meeting at 2.10 p.m.

### 91. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

The Leader had delegated authority to decide the allocation of executive responsibilities set out in the City Council's Constitution. A report was submitted to Cabinet on 6 June 2007 setting out the executive functions which the Leader had allocated to portfolio holders and the responsibilities which would be carried out by himself and the Deputy Leader.

As a consequence amendments needed to be made to the Constitution to reflect these changes in responsibility.

The Director of Legal and Administration Services circulated a revised copy of the representatives on outside bodies and advised Council that the Health Act 2006 was to be added to the Delegations of the Head of Environment and Leisure Services.

Councillor Thompson asked that consideration be given to expanding the liaison groups in the responsibilities of the Cabinet Member for Communities.

**Resolved:** (i) That pages 2c to 42c (inclusive) be removed from the Constitution and that these be replaced by the list of Responsibility for Executive Functions circulated at Appendix A to the report.

(ii) That amendments be made to the Cabinet's functions; and also to the delegations to officers and to the approved list of Conferences as set out in Appendix B to the report.

(iii) That amendments be made to appointment of representatives on outside bodies agreed at Annual Council on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, as set out at Appendix A.

(iv) That consideration be given to expanding the liaison groups in the responsibilities of the Cabinet Member for Communities.

## **92. MEMBERSHIP OF ECONOMIC SCRUTINY PANEL**

The Leader of the Labour Group had notified the Director of Legal and Administration Services that the Labour Membership of the Economic Scrutiny Panel should be as follows:-

Councillors Bartle, Kelly, Marsden, Plews and Stoddart.

**Resolved:** That the appropriate amendments be made accordingly.

### **Report of the Director of Strategic Resources**

## **93. STATEMENT OF INTERNAL CONTROL**

The Director of Strategic Resources submitted a comprehensive report in relation to the Statement of Internal Control.

**Resolved:** That the 2006/2007 Statement of Internal Control as set out in the circulated appendix to the report be approved.

## **94. DRAFT STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2006/2007**

The Director of Strategic Resources submitted a comprehensive report on the Draft Statement of Accounts for 2006/2007.

The report had been considered at a Special Meeting of the Audit Overview Committee prior to submission to Council to enable Members to ask questions and go through the details of the accounts.

**Resolved:** That the Statement of Accounts for 2006/2007 and the changes to the budget framework control totals for 2007/2008 as detailed in the circulated report be approved.

The Meeting terminated at 2.25 p.m.

Mayor



**BIENNIAL APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON  
OUTSIDE BODIES  
2007/2009**

<b>Body</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Esh Winning Community Association – Management Committee (6A)	Councillor Wilkinson
Esh Winning Family Care Association – Executive Committee (6B)	Councillor Guy
The Bow Trust (Durham) Ltd. (8)	Councillor Freeman
National Housing & Town Planning Council Northern Regional Committee (15)	Portfolio Member for Communities
Northern Sport (16)	Portfolio Member for Leisure & Culture & the Head of Environment & Leisure
Age Concern Durham County (24)	Councillors Kinghorn & Young
National Society for Clean Air (Northern Division) (26)	Portfolio Member for Environment together with the Chairman of Environment Scrutiny Panel & Councillors Dickie & Kellett & Head of Environment & Leisure
North Regional Home Safety Council (32)	Portfolio Member for Communities together with Councillor Lightley & the Head of Environment & Leisure
Durham Community Association - Management Committee (35)	Councillor Simpson
The Business Club (41)	Portfolio Member for Strategic Planning & Regeneration together with the Chair of Economic Scrutiny Panel & the Head of Community Services
Local Authority Forum of the Arts Council (42B)	Councillor Pitts & the Director of Durham City Arts

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<b>Body</b>	<b>Representative</b>
County of Durham Association of Local Authorities (47)	The Leader of the Council & Deputy Leader
(a) Durham County Pension Fund	Councillor Jackson
(b) Regional Arts Council	Portfolio Member for Leisure & Culture
Northern Regional Brass Band Trust - General Management Committee (49)	Councillor Kinghorn
City of Durham Sports Forum (50)	Portfolio Member for Leisure & Culture & the Chairman of Community Services Scrutiny Panel, Councillor Simpson & Councillor Laverick
Museums Sub-Committee of the University of Durham (Former Old Fulling Mill Museum Management Committee) (51)	Councillor Norman
Durham County Association for the Disabled Executive Committee (53)	Councillor Crooks
U.K. Athletics (55)	Portfolio Member for Leisure & Culture & the Chairman of Community Services Scrutiny Panel & the Head of Environment & Leisure
Gilesgate Comprehensive School Shared Use Facilities –	
(a) Joint Shared Use Liaison Committee	Pelaw & Gilesgate Ward Councillors
(b) Community Association Committee (59A)	Councillors Mitchell, Thompson & the Head of Community Services
Laurel Avenue Shared Use Facilities –	
(a) Joint Shared Use Liaison Committee	Pelaw & Gilesgate Ward Councillors
(b) Community Association Committee (59B)	Councillors Mitchell & Thompson & Head of Community Services
Durham Police – Community Group (60)	Councillors Kinghorn & Walton

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<b>Body</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Association of North East Councils' (61a)	Leader of the Council Substitute Deputy Leader
North East Regional Assembly (61b)	Deputy Leader Substitute Leader of the Council
Association for Public Service Excellence & Associated Bodies (Formerly the Association of Direct Labour Organisations)	Portfolio Member for Communities & the Head of Property Services
(a) Leisure Management Working Group (65)	Portfolio Member for Leisure & Culture & Head of Environment & Leisure
The Alliance (formerly known as Coalfields Communities Campaign (Northern Region)) (78)	Portfolio Member for Communities & the Portfolio Member for Strategic Planning & Regeneration & the Head of Community Services
Durham City Access Group (79)	Portfolio Member for Communities & the Head of Property Services
ENCAMS (Formerly Tidy North Regional Consultative Committee) (80)	Portfolio Member for Environment & Chairman of the Environment Scrutiny Panel & the Head of Environment & Leisure
Executive Officers Group for the Chester-le-Street and City of Durham Community Safety Partnership  (Formerly the City of Durham Community Safety Steering Group) (84)	Portfolio Member for Communities together with the Chief Executive and the Community Safety Officer
National Association of Councillors North Region Management Committee and General Management Committee (85)	Councillor Jackson
Sustainable Waste Management Strategy for County Durham - Joint Steering Group (89)	Portfolio Member for Environment & the Head of Environment & Leisure
Health Scrutiny Sub Committee (91)	Councillors Pitts & M.J.A. Smith

**APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES  
PERIODIC APPOINTMENTS**

<b>Body</b>	<b>Representative</b>
North East Regional Employers' Organisation (12)	Deputy Leader & <i>the</i> Portfolio Holder for Performance Management <i>Terms of Office ends 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2008</i>
Durham County Council Valuation & Community Charge Tribunal (17)	Councillor Walker <i>Term of Office ends 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010</i>
Durham Citizens Advice Bureau (22)	Councillors Mrs. Howarth, Southwell & Young <i>Term of Office ends 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2009</i>
Lord Crew's Apprenticeship Fund & Durham Education Foundation – Representative Trustees (28A)	Councillors Jackson & Lodge <i>Term of Office ends 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2011</i>
Henry Smith's Charity (28B)	Councillors Cowper, Simpson & Walker <i>Term of Office 31<sup>st</sup> May 2008</i>
Charities of Jane Finney and Jane Smith (28C)	Councillor Rae <i>Term of Office ends 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2008</i>
Sherburn Hospital Representative Governors (31B)	Councillor Lightley <i>Term of Office ends August, 2010</i>
Central Durham Joint Crematorium Committee (33)	Councillors Dickie, Jackson, Pitts, Reynolds, Southwell, Thomson, van Zwanenberg and Woods <i>Term of Office ends 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2011</i>
The Local Government Association (47B)	
(a) General Assembly	Leader of the Council <i>Term of Office ends July, 2008</i> (Minute 353 6 <sup>th</sup> December, 2004)
(b) Rural Commission	Councillor Jackson <i>Term of Office ends June, 2008</i>
(c) Urban Commission	Councillor Southwell <i>Term of Office ends June, 2008</i>

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<b>Body</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Durham Rural Community Council (58A)	Councillor Walton <i>No fixed Term of Office</i>
Ruth First Educational Trust	Councillor Holland <i>Term of Office expires 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2009</i>
University, New College, Police & City Liaison Group (formerly City/University Liaison Group) (74)	Chairman & Vice-Chairman of Cabinet; Elvet Ward Councillors; Nevilles Cross Ward Councillors; St. Nicholas Ward Councillors; Pelaw & Gilesgate Ward Councillors; together with the Chief Executive <i>No fixed Term of Office</i> (Minute 353 6 <sup>th</sup> December, 2004)
The East Durham Groundwork Trust (83)	Councillors Crooks & Wilkinson <i>Term of Office expires 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2009</i>
Neil Griffin Opportunities for Youth (86)	Councillors Howarth & Norman <i>Term of Office 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2011</i>
Sheraton Park (New College) Liaison Committee (87)	Chairman & Vice-Chairman of Development Control Committee & Nevilles Cross Ward Councillors & the Head of Community Services <i>No fixed Term of Office</i>
The South East Durham Concordat (Environmental Services) Joint Best Value Review – Joint Committee (88)	Leader of the Council, Portfolio Member for Performance Management & Portfolio Member for Environment <i>No fixed Term of Office</i> (Minute 353 6 <sup>th</sup> December, 2004)
Durham City Forum	Leader of the Council <i>No Fixed Term of Office</i> (Min 496 21 <sup>st</sup> February, 2005)
Durham Villages Regeneration Ltd	Councillor Reynolds; Councillor Southwell; Councillor Bell and the Chief Executive <i>No Fixed Term of Office</i> (Min 629 8 <sup>th</sup> March, 2004 and Min 426 17 <sup>th</sup> January, 2005)
Durham Housing Partnership Ltd	Councillor Southwell <i>No Fixed Term of Office</i> (Min 151(c) 21 <sup>st</sup> July, 2003)
Durham Heart of the City Ltd	Councillor Wynn, Chief Executive & the Director of Strategic Resources <i>No Fixed Term of Office</i> (Min 151(b) 21 <sup>st</sup> July, 2003 & 563(b) 9 <sup>th</sup> February, 2004)
Chester-le-Street & City of Durham Enterprise Agency (64)	Deputy Leader & Councillor Lightley & the Head of Community Services <i>No Fixed Term of Office</i>