

## Gravesham Borough Council

### Council

Tuesday, 26 June 2018

7.30 pm

#### Present:

The Worshipful the Mayor, Cllr David Hurley  
The Deputy Mayor, Cllr Lesley Boycott

Councillors:	Valerie Ashenden	John Loughlin
	Gurjit Kaur Bains	Bronwen McGarrity
	Gurdip Ram Bungar	Lyn Milner
	John Burden	Shane Mochrie-Cox
	Julia Burgoyne	Leslie Pearton
	Colin Caller	Anthony Pritchard
	John Caller	Peter Rayner
	Harold Craske	Alan Ridgers
	Lee Croxton	Lenny Rolles
	Brian Francis	Brian Sangha
	Sandra Garside	Peter Scollard
	Rob Halpin	Derek Shelbrooke
	Gary Harding	Lauren Sullivan
	Leslie Hills	Narinder Singh Thandi
	Karen Hurdle	Robin Theobald
	Samir Jassal	Steve Thompson
	William Lambert	David Turner
	Sara Langdale	Jenny Wallace
		Michael Wenban

Stuart Bobby	Director (Corporate Services)
Kevin Burbidge	Director (Housing & Regeneration)
Melanie Norris	Director (Communities)
Sarah Kilkie	Assistant Director (Communities)
Jan Guylar	Head of Legal Services, Medway Council
Simon Walsh	Digital Communications and Elections Manager
Ashley Wilcox	Communications Manager
Carlie Simmonds	Committee Services Manager

#### John Stapley, Mayor's Chauffeur

Before the start of formal proceedings, the Mayor presented a gift to John Stapley as he will be retiring at the beginning of July 2018.

The Council thanked John Stapley for his service to the Council and wished him a long and happy retirement.

## 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Conrad Broadley, Greta Goatley, John Knight and Jordan Meade.

## 2. Minutes

The Minutes of the Council held on 8 May 2018 were signed by the Mayor.

## 3. Declaration of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

## 4. To answer any questions received from members of the public of which notice has been given under Council Procedure Rule 13

No questions had been received.

## 5. Minutes of Committees

Motions that proceedings, reports and recommendations of Committees, except those reserved under Council Procedure 5.2(6) as referred to below be received and adopted and where applicable the Orders made by them be ratified and confirmed were duly proposed, seconded and resolved in each case.

Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on Monday, 30 April 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Overview Scrutiny Committee held on Thursday, 3 May 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Regulatory Board (Planning) held on Wednesday, 16 May 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on Monday, 21 May 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Overview Scrutiny Committee held on Monday, 21 May 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee held on Tuesday, 12 June 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Regulatory Board (Planning) held on Wednesday, 13 June 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Overview Scrutiny Committee held on Thursday, 14 June 2018

## 6. Reserved Minutes

There were no reserved minutes.

## 7. Property Acquisition Strategy

The Council received a report which recommended an extension to the funding available to deliver the Council's Property Acquisition Strategy.

**Resolved that:-**

- additional funding of £1.7 million be made available for further purchases under the Council's Property Acquisition Strategy, taking the total funding made available to deliver the Council's Property Acquisition Strategy to £21.7 million;
- the additional funding be met from investment balances; and
- the additional funding be included in the current years capital programme.

## 8. Treasury Management Strategy Statement Update

The Council received a report which recommended an amendment to the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2018-19.

**Resolved** that:-

The Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2018-19 be amended to read;

- the Group Limit, Counterparty Limit and Money Market Fund limit should be increased to £8 million;
- the non-UK AAA Sovereignty Limit should be increased to £16 million;
- the limit of investment per Property Fund Limit should be increased to £8m and the limit on Non-specified investments over 1 year duration (property funds) should be increased to £25 million;
- the limit of investment per Multi Asset Fund should be increased to £8m and the limit on Non-specified investment over 1 year duration (Multi Asset Funds) should be increased to £25 million; and
- the limit on Non-specified investments over 1 year duration (other) should be increased to £25 million.

## 9. Notice of Motion

It was moved by Cllr Shane Mochrie-Cox and seconded by Cllr Lenny Rolles:-

*That the Council condemns the increase in fly tipping and littering that has taken place across the Borough since the closure of Pepperhill and calls on Kent County Council to put in additional resources beyond the meagre opening hours of other sites it has offered to our residents which are a distance away and assist GBC further in keeping Gravesham clean and maintained with additional resources and funding.*

The motion was declared to be carried unanimously.

The Council paid tribute to the Assistant Director (Environment) and his team for the support provided to date following the closure of the Pepperhill Household Waste and Recycling Centre. The Council also acknowledged that there had been no disruption to the waste collection service during this time.

## 10. To consider questions from Members of the Council of which notice has been given under Council Procedure Rule 14

No questions had been received.

## 11. To receive the Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor invited Members to join him in the Parlour for refreshments.

### Close of meeting

The meeting ended at. 8.37pm