

FULL COUNCIL

30 JULY 2024

Present:

Councillors Atkins, Bradford, Bullivant, Buscombe, Clarence, Cox, Daws, Dawson (Chair), Farrand-Rogers, Foden, Gearon, Hall, Hayes, Henderson, Hook, Jackman, James, Jeffries, Keeling, Lake, MacGregor, Major, Morgan, Mullone, Nutley, Palethorpe, C Parker, P Parker, Parrott, Peart, Radford, Rogers, Ryan, Sanders (Vice-Chair), Smith, G Taylor, J Taylor, Thorne, Webster, Williams and Wrigley

Apologies:

Councillors Goodman-Bradbury, Nuttall, Purser, Steemson and Swain

Absent:

Councillor Rollason

Officers in Attendance:

Neil Blaney, Head of Place & Commercial Services

William Elliott, Climate Change Officer

Kay Fice, Scrutiny Officer

Martin Flitcroft, Chief Finance Officer & Head of Corporate Services

Christopher Morgan, Trainee Democratic Services Officer

Tom Phillips, Assets Manager

Amanda Pujol, Head of Customer Experience and Transformation

Sarah Selway, Democratic Services Team Leader & Deputy Monitoring Officer

Trevor Shaw, Senior Planning Officer

James Teed, Leisure Manager

Paul Woodhead, Head of Legal Services & Monitoring Officer

45. MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling and seconded by Cllr Palethorpe that the minutes of the meeting on 21 May 2024 be approved.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of 21 May 2024 be approved and were signed as a correct record by the Chair.

46. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair announced that she attended the D Day 80 proclamation and Armed Forces Day, had been engaging with a CVS worker who had done a research paper on how challenging it had been to get volunteers post Covid. CVS were arranging an awards evening in September for volunteers and she encouraged members to nominate individuals. The Chair had visited Dawlish Gardens Trust

which accepted people from all over the district with different learning disabilities to get qualifications in the way that they learn best and would encourage members to pay a visit. Yesterday she had visited HAF (holiday activity and food) programme for families across the district.

The Chair announced that her charity would be the Teignmouth RNLI crew fund as they carried out searches and rescues on rivers as well as the sea.

Cllr Wrigley announced that he was standing down as the Leader of the Council and it had been an honour to serve as a Leader for the Council.

47. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None in relation to the meeting.

48. TO APPOINT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

It was proposed by Cllr Wrigley that Cllr Keeling be elected as Leader of the Council, this was seconded by Cllr Palethorpe.

It was proposed by Cllr Bullivant that Cllr Palethorpe be elected as Leader of the Council. Cllr Palethorpe thanked Cllr Bullivant for the nomination and stated that he would decline.

RESOLVED that Cllr Keeling be elected Leader of the Council.

49. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Cllr Mullone left the meeting during this item.
Cllr Farrand-Rogers joined the meeting during this item.

The public questions and responses are attached to the agenda.

50. RECOMMENDATION FROM PROCEDURES COMMITTEE - INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL REPORT

Mr Derek Phillips, Chair of the Independent Remuneration Panel presented the report. A full review would take place in September which would include looking at how a single Overview & Scrutiny Committee was operating and the impact this had on the work of the Chair and Deputy Chair of the committee. Members who wished to meet with the panel should contact Democratic Services.

Cllr Keeling proposed that the report be deferred until a full review in September 2024 had been undertaken. This was seconded by Cllr Bullivant.

Cllr Macgregor proposed the recommendation as set out in the report, this was seconded by Cllr J Taylor put to the vote and lost.

The substantive recommendation was put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED that the report be deferred pending the review due to take place in September 2024.

51. RECOMMENDATION FROM PROCEDURES COMMITTEE - MEMBER/OFFICER PROTOCOL

Cllr Keeling proposed the recommendations from Procedures Committee, this was seconded by Cllr Palethorpe put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED that the Protocol be approved and incorporated into the Constitution.

52. TEIGNMOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Atkins proposed the recommendation this was seconded by Cllr Henderson put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED to 'Make' (adopt) the Teignmouth Neighbourhood Development Plan and thereby bring it into force as part of the suite of Teignbridge Development Plan Documents as a material consideration in planning terms relating to the Teignmouth Parish Area.

53. FUTURE HIGH STREETS FUND: PROJECT ADJUSTMENT REQUEST

Cllr James left before consideration of this item.

Cllr Henderson, Webster and Wrigley left during consideration of this item.

The Chair suggested that due to the number of members of the public that were in attendance for this item it would be taken at this point in the meeting.

Cllr Palethorpe presented the report.

Cllr Macgregor stated that as there was a lot of information in the report for Members to consider, the item should be deferred for one month and an Extraordinary Council Meeting be called to consider the report. This was seconded by Cllr Daws.

Cllr Palethorpe proposed the recommendation as outlined in the report, this was seconded by Cllr Bullivant, put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED to:-

- (1) Approve the principle of demolishing the buildings at the Bradley Lane regeneration site as set out in the Block Plan at Appendix 2 and described within the Photographic Schedule at Appendix 3;
- (2) Approve an adjustment to the Future High Streets Fund Project, should it be accepted by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, adding the proposed Bradley Lane Regeneration Site works as a new project; transferring an element of grant to Devon County Council for future access highway improvements and strategic active travel improvements linked directly to the development site; and, reallocating £90,000 grant to the Market Hall project; and
- (3) Delegate authority to the Head of Place and Commercial Services (in consultation with the Executive Member for Estates, Assets, Parking and Economic Development and Chief Finance Officer regarding finalising the project details and undertaking the project in line with the budget set out in Appendix 11 to this report).

A recorded vote was asked for by at least five Members under Procedure Rule 4.13.5.

Recorded vote under Procedure Rule 4.13.5

For: Cllrs Atkins, Bullivant, Buscombe, Clarence, Cox, Foden, Hayes, Hook, Keeling, Lake, Major, Morgan, Nutley, Palethorpe, C Parker, Parrott, Radford, Rogers, Ryan, Smith, G Taylor, Thorne, Williams, Sanders, Dawson Total 25

Against: Cllrs Bradford, Daws, Gearon, Hall, MacGregor, P Parker, J Taylor Total 7

Abstain: Cllrs Total Farrand-Rogers, Jackman, Jeffries, Peart Total:4

Absent: Cllrs Goodman-Bradbury, Henderson, James, Mullone, Nuttall, Purser, Rollason, Steemson, Swain, Webster, Wrigley Total 11

54. DRAFT COUNCIL STRATEGY

Cllrs Bradford, Daws, Gearon, Jeffries, P Parker and Radford left before consideration of this item.

Cllr Hook proposed the recommendation, this was seconded by Cllr Keeling.

Cllr Clarence proposed an amendment that the consultation should start in September after the summer holidays. This was seconded by Cllr Macgregor.

The Head of Place & Commercial Services clarified that the consultation would be in August so that the Council could attend events that were taking place across the district.

After discussion Cllr Hook agreed to an amendment to recommendation (2) that the period would be for a minimum of 8 weeks starting in mid-August. This was supported by Cllr Keeling as seconder.

Cllrs Clarence and Macgregor were content with the amendment put forward and withdrew their amendment.

The amended recommendation was put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED to:-

- (1) Approve the draft Council Strategy (the 'One Teignbridge Strategy'); and
- (2) Publish the One Teignbridge Strategy for a minimum 8-week period of public consultation starting in mid-August.

55. CARBON ACTION PLAN PROJECTS

Cllr Bullivant and J Taylor left before consideration of this item.

Cllr Jackman left during consideration of the item.

Cllr Cox left the meeting for part of the debate.

Cllr Hook proposed the recommendation, this was seconded by Cllr Keeling put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED to:-

- (1) Approve a project budget of £393,226 including the Sport England Swimming Pool Support Fund Grant of £168,775 and £224,451 of borrowing to deliver the package of energy efficiency measures at Dawlish Leisure Centre as described in Section 2.1 of the report;
- (2) Approve a project budget of £515,625 to deliver a package of energy efficiency measures at Newton Abbot Leisure Centre as described in Section 2.2 of the report; and
- (3) Approve a project budget of £57,000 to deliver a package of energy efficiency measures at the Teignmouth Lido as described in Section 2.3 of the report.

56. DUNCHIDEOCK COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Cllr Foden and Williams left before consideration of this item.

Cllr Parrott proposed the recommendation, this was seconded by Cllr Nutley put to the vote and carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that Dunchideock Parish Council be retained in its present form.

**57. RECOMMENDATION FROM OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE -
LOSS OF SECTION 106 CONTRIBUTIONS**

Cllr Atkins left before consideration of the item.

Cllr Thorne left during consideration of the item.

Cllr Sanders presented the recommendation from Overview and Scrutiny Committee, this was seconded by Cllr Parrot put to the vote and carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that:-

- 1) The current planning systems and procedures for dealing with both minor amendments to planning applications, and Section 106 agreements continue:
and
- 2) A recap on the above be provided in the next all Councillors planning training.

**58. RECOMMENDATION FROM OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE -
WEBCASTING OF MEETINGS**

Cllr Sanders presented the recommendation from Overview and Scrutiny Committee, this was seconded by Cllr Hall put to the vote and carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that the current situation with webcasting of meetings continue and the position be reconsidered when the current webcasting contract is due for renewal.

59. NOTICES OF MOTION

Cllrs Farrand-Rogers and Ryan left during consideration of this item.

Cllr Clarence presented and proposed the Motion on Southwest Water discharges. This was seconded by Cllr Macgregor.

More than two thirds of those present agreed to debate the Notice of Motion.

Cllr Hook stated that she would write to South West Water (copying in the Environment Agency). Cllr Hook asked for Members to let her know of their concerns so she can bring them to the attention of South West Water.

The motion was put to the vote and carried unanimously.

RESOLVED Teignbridge District Council writes to South West Water copying in the Environment Agency asking South West Water to set out precisely what measures are due to be put in place to cut down the amount of emergency discharges into the River Teign Estuary including the time scale and

approximate likely costs for such improvements. Teignbridge District Council to also ask South West Water whether the cost of such improvements would fall on the public or will South West Water be able to fund such improvements out of their own capital spending which is our preferred solution.

60. COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS

Cllrs Lake and Peart left before consideration of this item.

Councillors' questions and the responses are attached to the agenda.

61. FOR INFORMATION - URGENT DECISIONS

Noted.

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 3.00 pm.

Chair