



Minutes of the Special meeting of the **Council** held in Committee Rooms - East Pallant House on Tuesday 22 June 2021 at 2.00 pm

Members Present: Mrs C Apel, Mrs T Bangert, Miss H Barrie, Rev J H Bowden, Mr R Briscoe, Mr J Elliott, Mrs N Graves, Mr F Hobbs, Mrs E Lintill, Mrs S Lishman, Mr A Moss, Mr S Oakley, Dr K O'Kelly, Mr C Page, Mrs P Plant, Mr R Plowman, Mr A Sutton and Mrs S Taylor

Officers present all items: Mr N Bennett (Divisional Manager for Democratic Services), Mr A Frost (Director of Planning and Environment), Miss L Higenbottam (Democratic Services Manager), Mrs D Shepherd (Chief Executive) and Mr J Ward (Director of Corporate Services)

12 **Urgent Items**

As the Chair and Vice-Chair were not present Mrs Shepherd opened the meeting. She confirmed that there were no urgent items.

13 **Declarations of Interests**

There were no declarations of interest.

14 **Chair's Announcements**

Mrs Shepherd read the emergency evacuation procedure.

There were no apologies for absence but it was noted that the Group Leaders had agreed to a reduced membership in line with Covid-19 restrictions. Those members not present would therefore not be marked down on their attendance records.

Mrs Shepherd sought nominations for Chair of the meeting.

Cllr Lintill proposed Cllr Apel.

Cllr Moss seconded the proposal.

All members were in favour.

Cllr Apel accepted the position of Chair of the meeting.

15 **Making the Boxgrove Neighbourhood Development Plan**

Cllr Taylor introduced the item and congratulated Boxgrove.

Cllr Moss endorsed Cllr Taylor's comments.

Cllr Oakley requested clarification on the impact of the European Court judgements. Cllr Taylor explained that a number of Neighbourhood Plans had been delayed due to Habitat Assessment requirements imposed. Mr Frost added that prior to the Court judgement existing mitigation could have been relied upon.

Cllr Taylor proposed the recommendation.

Cllr Lintill seconded the recommendation.

In a vote members voted unanimously to make the following resolution:

RESOLVED

That Council makes the Boxgrove Neighbourhood Development Plan part of the Development Plan for Chichester District (excluding the area within the South Downs National Park).

16 Making the Selsey Neighbourhood Development Plan

Cllr Taylor introduced the item and congratulated Selsey.

Cllr Elliott wished to congratulate Clive Alden who was present and his team for their work to date on the Plan.

Cllr Plowman requested clarification on the impact of a Neighbourhood Plan on development of that area. Mr Frost explained that Neighbourhood Plans which have been made and are up to date have the full weight of the Development Plan in the same way as a Local Plan in assessing planning applications.

Cllr Oakley requested clarification on how long the weight of a Neighbourhood Plan lasts. Mr Frost confirmed that the weight may vary depending on the age of the plan and other factors including the District Council's 5 years housing land supply position..

Cllr Taylor proposed the recommendation.

Cllr Lintill seconded the recommendation.

In a vote members voted unanimously to make the following resolution:

RESOLVED

That Council makes the Selsey Neighbourhood Development Plan part of the Development Plan for Chichester District (excluding the area within the South Downs National Park).

17 Late Items

There were no late items.

18 **Exclusion of the press and public**

There was no requirement to exclude the press or public.

The meeting ended at 2.19 pm

CHAIRMAN

Date: