

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 18TH JUNE, 2013

PRESENT: Councillor K Wakefield in the Chair

Councillors D Blackburn, J Blake, P Gruen,
G Harper, E Nash, J Procter, M Rafique
and S Varley

Apologies Councillors S Golton, G Latty and A Lowe

1 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents

No appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

2 Exempt Information - possible exclusion of the press and public

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

3 Late items

There were no late items.

4 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

No declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests were made.

5 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Golton, Latty, Lowe.

6 Minutes - 7th May 2013

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 7th May 2013 be approved as a correct record.

7 Joint Review of Polling Districts and Community Governance Review of Parish and Town Councils - Initial Proposals Report

Members considered a report of the Head of Licensing and Registration setting out the results of the preliminary stage of a joint review of Polling Districts and the Community Governance Review of Parish and Town Councils.

The report provided the results of the public consultation and representations received to date and set out the conclusions reached by the Electoral Working Group.

RESOLVED – that;

- a) the summary of representations set out in Appendices A, B and C of the report as initial proposals be approved.
- b) the initial proposals be published for further consultation from 24 June to 16 September 2013 and that the outcome of that consultation be considered by General Purposes Committee in November.

8 Webcasting of Council Meetings

Members considered a report of the Chief Officer (Democratic and Central Services) outlining the results of two trial webcasts of meetings of full Council. The report also sought Members' views on whether webcasts of full Council be continued in the 2013-14 Municipal Year.

Members considered the projected costs of introducing such arrangements and sought assurances that the protocol for webcasting (agreed by member Management Committee in October 2012) would be complied with.

RESOLVED – that;

- a) the outcome of the trials be noted
- b) approval be given to further Webcasts of full Council meetings in the 2013-14 Municipal.