

## GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

**MONDAY, 13TH JULY, 2009**

**PRESENT:** Councillor J L Carter in the Chair

Councillors S Bentley, A Blackburn,  
B Lancaster, J Procter, N Taggart and  
K Wakefield

Apologies Councillors J Blake, R Brett, A Carter and  
P Gruen

### **1 Appointment of the Chair**

As the Chair of the Committee was not in attendance, nominations for the Chair were requested.

It was moved by Councillor J L Carter, seconded by Councillor J Procter and **RESOLVED** - that Councillor J L Carter be appointed as Chair for the duration of this meeting.

### **2 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents**

There were no appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

### **3 Exempt Information - possible exclusion of the press and public**

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

### **4 Late items**

There were no late items added to the agenda.

### **5 Declaration of Interests**

No declarations of interest were made at the meeting.

### **6 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received on behalf of Councillors Blake, Brett, A Carter, and Gruen.

### **7 Minutes of the Previous Meeting - 13th May 2009**

**RESOLVED** – Members resolved that the minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2009 be approved as a correct record.

## **8 Member Management Committee Terms of Reference**

The Principal Corporate Governance Officer presented a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) putting forward amendments to the terms of reference of Member Management Committee, proposed by the Whips for the political groups.

Members particularly discussed matters relating to the training and development of Members, and the reasons why these functions cannot be delegated to Member Management Committee. It was confirmed that, as they are executive functions, they can only be carried out by the Executive Board, a Committee of the Executive or an officer with the appropriate delegations.

**RESOLVED** – Members of the General Purposes Committee resolved to recommend the proposed amendments to Member Management Committee's terms of reference, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report, to full Council for approval.