### **PROCEEDINGS**

A meeting of the Lancaster City Council was held in the Town Hall, Morecambe, at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 26 May 2015, when the following Members were present:-

Jon Barry (Mayor) Caroline Jackson (Deputy Mayor)

Lucy Atkinson Sam Armstrong June Ashworth Stuart Bateson Alan Biddulph Eileen Blamire Carla Brayshaw **Dave Brookes** Tracy Brown **Abbott Bryning** Darren Clifford Susie Charles Claire Cozler **Brett Cooper** Sheila Denwood Rob Devey

Charlie Edwards Andrew Gardiner

Nigel Goodrich Janet Hall

Tim Hamilton-Cox Janice Hanson
Colin Hartley Helen Helme
Brendan Hughes Joan Jackson

Andrew Kay Ronnie Kershaw

Geoff Knight Christopher Leadbetter

James Leyshon Karen Leytham

Roger Mace Matt Mann

Terrie Metcalfe Richard Newman-Thompson

Rebecca Novell Jane Parkinson

Margaret Pattison Robert Redfern

Sylvia Rogerson Ron Sands

Elizabeth Scott Roger Sherlock
David Smith Susan Sykes
Malcolm Thomas Andrew Warriner
David Whitaker Anne Whitehead
John Wild Nicholas Wilkinson

Phillippa Williamson

Peter Yates

Peter Williamson

### 9 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mel Guilding, Abi Mills and Paul Woodruff.

### 10 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2015 were signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

### 11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Ashworth declared a personal interest in respect of the report on Appointments to Outside Bodies, Partnerships and Boards in view of her membership of the Board of the North Lancashire Citizens Advice Bureau and the Morecambe Bay Partnership (minute 14 refers).

### 12 ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no formal announcements, however the Mayor thanked all Councillors who had attended the Mayor making ceremony on 22 May and the Mayor's Sunday Service at The Priory Church of St Mary on Sunday 24 May.

### 13 CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS 7 MAY 2015

Council noted the report of the Returning Officer setting out the results of the City Council Elections held on 7 May 2015.

### 14 SENIORITY OF MEMBERS

The Chief Executive submitted a report which set out the Seniority of Members on the City Council, following the draw made by the Mayor on 13 May 2015. Council noted the report.

### 15 CONSTITUTION OF POLITICAL GROUPS

Members noted the report of the Chief Executive setting out the Political Groups constituted in accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

### 16 ALLOCATION OF SEATS TO POLITICAL GROUPS

The Chief Executive presented a report which set out the calculation in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Part 4 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, which had been carried out following the protocol previously agreed by Council.

The Chief Officer (Governance) responded to questions from Councillors.

Councillor Brookes, seconded by Councillor Newman-Thompson, proposed:

"(1) That the constitution of the Licensing Act Committee, which is not required to be subject to the political balance requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, be confirmed as currently established.

(2) That in undertaking the PR calculations on the Council's Committees the Council's agreed protocol be confirmed, utilising the following groupings:

- Overview and Scrutiny (2 x 9)
- Regulatory and timetabled Committees of Council (2 x 15 (Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee and Licensing Act Committee), 1 x 9 (Licensing Regulatory) and 2 x 7 (Personnel and Audit)
- Remaining Standing and Joint Committees to be calculated separately and individually.
- (3) That pursuant to Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989, the City Council allocates the seats on Overview & Scrutiny, Regulatory, Standing and Joint Committees in accordance with the calculations set out in paragraph 5 of the report.
- (4) That Council notes that the allocation of seats referred to in (4) above is subject to review from time to time in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989 and Part 4 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations, 1990."

Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Mace, proposed an amendment:

"That recommendations 2 and 3 on page 17 of the agenda be amended as necessary to require that in undertaking the PR calculations on the Council's Committees, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Budget and Performance Panel be calculated separately and individually to produce the result for each as is set out in paragraph 5.2.1 of the report."

Debate on the amendment followed, after which Councillor Peter Williamson requested a recorded vote in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 19.4.

The votes were recorded as follows:-

For the amendment: Councillors Bateson, Charles, Cooper, Edwards, Gardiner, Goodrich, Helme, Joan Jackson, Leadbetter, Mace, Parkinson, Rogerson, Sykes, Thomas, Wild, Peter Williamson, Phillippa Williamson and Yates. (18)

Against the amendment: Councillors Armstrong, Ashworth, Atkinson, Barry, Biddulph, Blamire, Brayshaw, Brookes, Brown, Bryning, Clifford, Cozler, Denwood, Devey, Hall, Hamilton-Cox, Hanson, Hartley, Hughes, Caroline Jackson, Kay, Kershaw, Knight, Leyshon, Leytham, Mann, Metcalfe, Novell, Newman-Thompson, Pattison, Redfern, Sands, Scott, Sherlock, Smith, Warriner, Whitaker, Whitehead and Wilkinson. (39)

With 18 voting for the amendment and 39 voting against, the amendment was lost.

At this point the Labour Group informed the Mayor that it would withdraw from the draw to resolve the three way tie between the Labour, Conservative and Green Groups for the last two places on the Overview and Scrutiny (O&S) PR grouping of committees, allowing the final two places to go to the Conservative and Green Groups. Council noted that this would give the Labour Group four places, the Conservative Group three places and the Green Group one place on each body with two seats (one Green and one Independent) to be determined. The Mayor called for a five minute adjournment to the meeting to allow the Green and the Independent Groups to come to an agreement about the two final seats.

### The meeting adjourned at 7pm and reconvened at 7.05pm.

The Green and Independent Groups informed Council that the Green Group would take its final place on the Budget and Performance Panel and the Independent Group would take its place on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

There was no further debate and a vote was taken on the substantive motion, which was clearly carried.

### Resolved:-

- (1) That the constitution of the Licensing Act Committee which is not required to be subject to the political balance requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 be confirmed as currently established.
- (2) That in undertaking the PR calculations on the Council's Committees the Council's agreed protocol be confirmed, utilising the following groupings:
  - Overview and Scrutiny (2 x 9)
  - Regulatory and timetabled Committees of Council (2 x 15 (Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee and Licensing Act Committee), 1 x 9 (Licensing Regulatory) and 2 x 7 (Personnel and Audit)
  - Remaining Standing and Joint Committees to be calculated separately and individually.
- (3) That pursuant to Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989, the City Council allocates the seats on Overview & Scrutiny, Regulatory, Standing and Joint Committees in accordance with the calculations set out in paragraph 5 of the report.
- (4) That Council notes that the allocation of seats referred to in (4) above is subject to review from time to time in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989 and Part 4 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations, 1990.

### 17 TERM OF OFFICE AND APPOINTMENT OF THE LEADER

Council considered a report of the Monitoring Officer regarding the executive arrangements within the Constitution following amendments to the Local Government Act 2000. Council was asked to consider whether it wished to maintain the four year term of office for the Leader, or to revert to annual appointment, before appointing the Leader.

Councillor Metcalfe proposed, seconded by Councillor Clifford:

"That the four year term of office for the Leader be maintained."

Councillor Hamilton-Cox proposed an amendment:

"That Council revert to annual appointment of the Leader."

Councillor Brookes seconded the amendment.

There was a short debate on the amendment before a vote was taken and the amendment

was lost. Council then voted on the original proposition, which was clearly carried.

Councillor Brookes, seconded by Councillor Newman-Thompson, proposed recommendation two, as set out in the report. The proposition was taken to the vote and clearly carried.

The Mayor then asked for nominations for Leader of the Council for the municipal years 2015/16-2018/19. Councillor Leyshon nominated Councillor Blamire and Councillor Whitaker seconded the nomination. There were no further nominations and Councillor Blamire was appointed Leader of the Council.

### Resolved:

- (1) That the four year term of office for the Leader be maintained.
- (2) That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to amend Article 7 and Council Procedure Rule 1.1 as set out in the report, to ensure that the Council's Constitution complies with the requirements of Section 9I and 9IA of the Local Government Act 2000 as amended.
- (3) That Councillor Blamire be appointed Leader of the Council for the municipal years 2015/16-2018/19.

### 18 EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS AND SCHEME OF DELEGATION TO OFFICERS

The Leader presented her report on the delegation of executive functions, in accordance with Rule 1.2 of the Cabinet Procedure Rules.

The Leader then presented to Council the names of the Members appointed to Cabinet: Councillors Bryning, Clifford, Hanson, Leytham, Newman-Thompson, Pattison and Smith. Councillor Hanson was appointed Deputy Leader. The Leader informed Council that further details of Cabinet Members' individual portfolios would follow.

It was proposed by Councillor Newman-Thompson and seconded by Councillor Whitaker that the report and appointments be noted. There was no debate and the proposition was clearly carried.

### Resolved:

- (1) That the report be noted and the current Scheme of Delegation to Officers be confirmed.
- (2) That the appointment of Councillors Bryning, Clifford, Hanson, Leytham, Newman-Thompson, Pattison and Smith as Cabinet Members be noted.
- (3) That the appointment of Councillor Hanson as Deputy Leader be noted.

### 19 APPOINTMENT OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MEMBERS

A list of Members nominated by the Labour, Conservative and Independent groups for appointment to the Council's Overview and Scrutiny bodies, in line with the allocation of seats agreed at minute number 8, had been circulated at the commencement of the meeting.

The Green Group gave its nominations at the meeting and other Groups were given the opportunity to put forward any further changes.

The Mayor reminded Members that in accordance with the Council's Constitution Part 3, Sections 12 and 13, only non-Cabinet members were entitled to vote on this item.

Acceptance of the nominations put forward by the groups for appointment to the Overview and Scrutiny bodies was moved by Councillor Knight and seconded by Councillor Kay.

On being put to the vote the Mayor declared the proposition clearly carried. It was noted that Councillor Pattison, who had been listed as a Labour Group substitute for the Budget and Performance Panel, would not be eligible for this role, since she had been appointed to Cabinet.

### Resolved:

That the nominations put forward by the groups for appointment to the Overview and Scrutiny bodies for 2015/16 be approved as set out in the Appendix to these minutes.

### **20 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS** (Pages 15 - 19)

A list of Members nominated by the Labour, Conservative and Independent groups for appointment to the Council's Committees and the Appraisal Panel, in accordance with the allocation of seats as agreed at minute number 8, had been circulated at the commencement of the meeting.

The Green Group gave its nominations at the meeting and other Groups were given the opportunity to put forward any further changes.

Council noted that the PR calculation required the Labour Group to pass one seat from the Regulatory and Standing Committees of Council Grouping to Councillor Woodruff and the Labour Group chose to give up one of its places on the Licensing Act Committee.

It was moved by Councillor Knight and seconded by Councillor Kay that the nominations put forward by the groups for appointments to Committees and the Appraisal Panel be accepted.

On being put to the vote, the Mayor declared the proposition clearly carried.

### Resolved:

That the nominations put forward by the groups for appointments to Committees of Council and the Appraisal Panel be approved as set out in the Appendix to these minutes.

### 21 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN

The Mayor requested nominations for a Chairman for the Overview and Scrutiny bodies and for each of the Council's Regulatory and Standing Committees.

The Mayor again reminded Members that in accordance with the Council's Constitution only non-Cabinet Members were entitled to vote on the Chairmen proposed for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Budget and Performance Panel.

In relation to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Councillor Goodrich was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Sykes and Councillor Ashworth was nominated by Councillor Whitaker and seconded by Councillor Knight.

On being put to the vote 25 Members voted for Councillor Goodrich and 24 for Councillor Ashworth, whereupon the Mayor declared Councillor Goodrich Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

In relation to the Budget and Performance Panel, Councillor Brookes was nominated by Councillor Hamilton-Cox and seconded by Councillor Kay.

There being no further nominations, Councillor Brookes was declared Chairman of the Budget and Performance Panel.

In relation to the Licensing Regulatory Committee, Councillor Pattison was nominated by Councillor Metcalfe and seconded by Councillor Clifford, Councillor Hamilton-Cox was nominated by Councillor Brookes and seconded by Councillor Novell and Councillor Gardiner was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Sykes.

On being put to the vote 31 Members voted for Councillor Pattison. This being a majority of those present, the Mayor declared Councillor Pattison Chairman of the Licensing Regulatory Committee.

In relation to the Licensing Act Committee, Councillor Metcalfe was nominated by Councillor Brayshaw and seconded by Councillor Brown and Councillor Edwards was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Sykes.

On being put to the vote a majority of 31 Members voted for Councillor Metcalfe, whereupon the Mayor declared Councillor Metcalfe Chairman of Licensing Act Committee.

In relation to the Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee, Councillor Sherlock was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Metcalfe and Councillor Helme was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Charles.

On being put to the vote a majority of 31 Members voted for Councillor Sherlock, whereupon the Mayor declared Councillor Sherlock Chairman of the Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee.

In relation to the Personnel Committee, Councillor Rogerson was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Parkinson and Councillor Scott was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Clifford.

A majority of 31 Members voted for Councillor Scott and the Mayor declared Councillor Scott appointed.

In relation to the Appeals Committee, Councillor Cozler was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Hughes and Councillor Helme was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Joan Jackson.

A majority of 32 Members voted for Councillor Cozler and the Mayor declared Councillor Cozler appointed.

In relation to the Audit Committee, Councillor Thomas was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Joan Jackson and Councillor Mann was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Smith.

On being put to the vote a majority of 31 Members voted for Councillor Mann, whereupon the Mayor declared Councillor Mann Chairman of the Audit Committee.

In relation to the Standards Committee, Councillor Hartley was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Brayshaw and Councillor Mace was nominated by Councillor Charles and seconded by Councillor Parkinson.

A majority of 32 Members voted for Councillor Hartley and the Mayor declared Councillor Hartley appointed.

In relation to the Council Business Committee, Councillor Hall was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Hartley and Councillor Mace was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Parkinson.

A majority of 31 Members voted for Councillor Hall and the Mayor declared Councillor Hall appointed.

### Resolved:-

That the following be appointed Chairmen of the undermentioned Committees for 2015/16:

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Councillor Goodrich Councillor Brookes Budget and Performance Panel Licensing Regulatory Committee Councillor Pattison Licensing Act Committee Councillor Metcalfe Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee Councillor Sherlock Personnel Committee Councillor Scott **Appeals Committee** Councillor Cozler **Audit Committee** Councillor Mann Standards Committee Councillor Hartley Council Business Committee Councillor Hall

### **22 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES** (Page 20)

The Chief Executive submitted a report to enable Council to consider the basis and the procedure for making the necessary appointments to outside bodies, partnerships and boards.

Council noted the information provided in Appendix A of the report regarding Members' attendance at meetings of outside bodies and the information regarding discontinuation and changes to some appointments, as set out in the report.

Councillor Brookes, seconded by Councillor Peter Williamson, proposed option 1 as set out in the report:

"That the appointments to be made in respect of the bodies listed in Appendix B of the report continue to be made by virtue of role/position, and that those appointments listed in Appendix C be made by nomination."

The proposition was clearly carried when put to the vote.

Councillor Brookes then proposed, in respect of recommendation 3 in the report:

"That the basis of appointment to the Fylde, Lancaster and Wyre Children's Partnership Board be by virtue of role as the Council's Champion for Children and Young People."

The proposition was seconded by Councillor Edwards and clearly carried when put to the vote.

Councillor Williamson proposed Option 2 of the report, seconded by Councillor Gardiner:

"Members to submit nominations to the Chief Officer (Governance) by 5 June 2015 to be voted on at the next Council meeting on 15 July 2015."

By way of amendment, Councillor Hanson proposed Option 1 of the report:

"That Members vote on the nominations for each appointment at this meeting."

Councillor Blamire seconded the amendment, which was clearly carried when taken to the vote. The amendment then became the substantive motion and a vote was taken which was clearly carried.

Nominations were then taken for the various appointments as follows:-

**Arnside and Silverdale AONB:** Councillor Goodrich was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Susan Sykes. There were no further nominations and Councillor Goodrich was appointed.

**Board of the Lancaster District Chamber of Commerce:** Councillor Wilkinson was nominated by Councillor Hamilton-Cox, seconded by Councillor Brookes; Councillor Sykes was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Parkinson and Councillor Hughes was nominated by Councillor Leyshon, seconded by Councillor Hartley. With 8 votes for Councillor Wilkinson, 18 votes for Councillor Sykes and 29 votes for Councillor Hughes, Councillor Hughes was appointed, having gained the majority of votes cast.

Board of Trustees of the Lancaster Charity (6 places): There were 8 nominations. Councillor Brookes was nominated by Councillor Hamilton-Cox and seconded by Councillor Wilkinson; Councillors Charles and Parkinson were nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Sykes and Councillors Sherlock, Redfern, Denwood, Brown and Leytham were nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Brayshaw. A vote was taken to eliminate the two Councillors with the least votes from the appointment process. Councillor Parkinson, having the lowest number of votes, dropped out. Councillors Charles and Redfern both had the same lowest number of votes and so a second vote was necessary to break the tie. With Councillor Charles securing 25 votes and Councillor Redfern 32 votes in a second vote, Councillor Charles dropped out. Councillors Brookes, Sherlock, Redfern, Denwood, Brown and Leytham were appointed.

Court of the University of Lancaster (5 places): There were 7 nominations. Councillor Novell nominated Councillor Amstrong, seconded by Councillor Brookes; Councillors Mace and Charles were nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and Councillor Sykes and Councillors Leyshon, Atkinson, Blamire and Mann were nominated by Councillor Hartley, seconded by Councillor Brayshaw. A vote was taken and the two Councillors who

secured the lowest number of votes, Councillors Charles and Mace, dropped out. Councillors Armstrong, Leyshon, Atkinson, Blamire and Mann were appointed.

At this point, Councillor Knight proposed that, where there were more nominations made than places available, Groups should send a list to Council Business Committee where the appointments could be made in June. Councillor Ashworth seconded the proposition but it was clearly lost when put to the vote.

The Mayor called for a ten minute adjournment at this point, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10.1

### Council adjourned at 8.30pm and reconvened at 8.40pm.

**Domestic Abuse Reduction Group:** Councillor Hamilton-Cox nominated Councillor Novell, seconded by Councillor Wilkinson and Councillor Leyshon nominated Councillor Atkinson, seconded by Councillor Hartley. A vote was taken and Councillor Atkinson was appointed by 29 votes to 24.

**Dukes Playhouse Board of Directors: (4 places):** There were seven nominations. Councillor Kay was nominated by Councillor Hamilton-Cox, seconded by Councillor Brookes; Councillors Blamire, Leyshon, Biddulph and Cozler were nominated by Councillor Hartley, seconded by Councillor Metcalfe and Councillors Rogerson and Cooper were nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. Councillors Blamire, Leyshon, Biddulph and Cozler all secured a majority when the nominations were put to the vote and the Mayor declared those four councillors appointed.

**Forest of Bowland AONB Advisory Committee:** Councillor Parkinson was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. There were no further nominations and Councillor Parkinson was appointed.

**Furness Line Community Railway Partnership:** Councillor Yates was nominated by Councillors Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. There were no further nominations and Councillor Yates was appointed.

**George Fox School Educational Charity:** Councillor Sykes was nominated by Councillors Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. There were no further nominations and Councillor Sykes was appointed.

**Headlands to Headspace (H2H) Board:** Councillor Yates was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and Councillor Leadbetter seconded the nomination. There were no further nominations and Councillor Yates was appointed.

**Health Scrutiny Committee:** It was noted that only non-cabinet members were eligible for nomination to this body. Councillor Hartley was nominated by Councillor Leyshon, seconded by Councillor Redfern and Councillor Joan Jackson was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Parkinson. Councillor Hartley secured a majority vote and was appointed.

**Lancashire Tourism Forum:** Councillor Sands was the sole nomination, nominated by Councillor Leyshon, seconded by Councillor Hanson, and was appointed.

Lancaster and Skipton Rail User Group: Councillor Yates was the sole nomination, nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Parkinson, and was appointed.

Lancaster Community Fund Grants Panel: It was noted that one place would be appointed by Council and a further place would be a Cabinet appointment. Councillor Barry was nominated by Councillor Brookes and seconded by Councillor Armstrong and Councillor Joan Jackson was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Parkinson. Councillor Barry secured a majority vote and was appointed.

**Lancaster District CVS:** Councillor Sherlock was the sole nomination, nominated by Councillor Leyshon, seconded by Councillor Hartley, and was appointed.

Lancaster Ripley Church of England Education Trust (2 places): There were four nominations. Councillors Bryning and Newman-Thompson were nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Biddulph; Councillor Knight was nominated by Councillor Ashworth, seconded by Councillor Knight and Councillor Charles was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. Councillor Bryning and Newman-Thompson both secured majority votes and were appointed.

Lancaster University Council: Councillor Leyshon nominated Councillor Warriner, seconded by Councillor Hartley. Councillor Peter Williamson nominated Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. A vote was taken and Councillor Warriner, having secured a majority vote, was appointed.

**Landscapes for Life:** Councillor Goodrich was the sole nomination, nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson, and was appointed.

Leeds-Morecambe and Settle-Carlisle Railway Development: Councillor Atkinson was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Hartley and Councillor Yates was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. Councillor Atkinson was appointed, having secured a majority vote.

**Lune Park Children's Centre:** Councillor Brown was nominated by Councillor Leyshon, seconded by Councillor Hartley and Councillor Guilding was nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Leadbetter. Councillor Brown secured a majority vote and was appointed.

Lune Valley Transport Enterprise (2 places): Councillors Guilding and Mace were nominated by Councillor Peter Williamson and seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. There were no further nominations and Councillors Guilding and Mace were appointed.

North Lancashire Citizens Advice Bureau (3 places): There were 11 nominations. Councillor Hamilton-Cox, seconded by Councillor Brookes, nominated Councillors Novell and Armstrong. Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson, nominated Councillors Parkinson, Leadbetter and Rogerson and Councillors Whitaker, Hughes and Brayshaw were nominated by Councillor Leyshon, seconded by Councillor Hartley. Councillors Whitaker, Hughes and Brayshaw each secured a majority vote and were appointed.

**North West Home Safety Council (2 places):** No nominations were made and the places were left vacant.

Preston and Western Lancashire Racial Equality Council: Councillor Scott was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Brayshaw. There were no

further nominations and Councillor Scott was appointed.

**Rainbow Centre (2 places):** Councillors Pattison and Whitehead were nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Redfern. There were no further nominations and Councillors Pattison and Whitehead were appointed.

**Relate Lancashire – Lancaster District:** Councillor Atkinson was nominated by Councillor Leyshon and seconded by Councillor Mann. There were no further nominations and Councillor Atkinson was appointed.

Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for the North West of England and the Isle of Man: Councillor Clifford proposed Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Brayshaw There were no further nominations and Councillor Scott was appointed.

Heysham Nuclear Power Station Local Community Liaison Council (9 places): Councillor Leyshon, seconded by Councillor Mann, made six nominations, Councillors Bryning, Sands, Brayshaw, Biddulph, Hartley and Pattison. Councillor Peter Williamson nominated Councillors Gardiner, Cooper and Bateson, seconded by Councillor Phillippa Williamson. There were no further nominations and all nominees were appointed.

### Resolved:

- (1) That Council notes the information requested on Members' attendance at meetings of outside bodies (Appendix A of the report).
- (2) That the appointments to be made in respect of the bodies listed in Appendix B of the report continue to be made by virtue of role/position, and that those appointments listed in Appendix C be made by nomination.
- (3) That the basis of appointment to the Fylde, Lancaster and Wyre Children's Partnership Board be by virtue of role as the Council's Champion for Children and Young People.
- (4) That Council confirms the appointments to outside bodies as detailed on the appendix to the minutes.
- (5) That the discontinuation of the following appointments be noted:
  - Board of Trustees of Skerton Charities
  - LGA Executive
  - Luneside East Project Advisory Board
  - North Lancashire Local Action Group Executive Group
  - Lancaster District Children's Trust Board
  - Carnforth Railway and Trust Company Ltd Board

That the following changes to outside bodies be noted:

- the "Lancaster and District Multi-Agency Forum on Domestic Violence" has been retitled the "Domestic Abuse Reduction Group";
- the "National Association of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty" is now known as "Landscapes for Life".

### 23 INDEPENDENT PERSONS APPOINTED UNDER THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

The Monitoring Officer submitted a report to enable Council to designate a 'lead' and 'reserve' Independent Person for the forthcoming municipal year.

Councillor Clifford, seconded by Councillor Kay, proposed:

"That the recommendations, as set out in the report, be approved."

There was no debate and the proposition was clearly carried when put to the vote.

### Resolved:

- (1) That Council confirm Mr Tony James as its "lead" independent person, and Mr David Jordison as "reserve" independent person for the purposes of section 28(7) of the Localism Act 2011 for the next municipal year.
- (2) That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to commence a recruitment process for the appointment by Council of an additional independent person.

### 24 APPOINTMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Council considered a report of the Chief Executive requesting that Councillors be appointed to the City Council's three Champions roles. It was noted that, following a decision of Council in May 2014, the appointment period would be for a term of four municipal years, instead of one.

The Mayor asked for nominations for the Champion for Older People.

Councillor Leyshon nominated Councillor Whitehead seconded by Councillor Mann. There were no further nominations and Councillor Whitehead was appointed Champion for Older People.

The Mayor then asked for nominations for Champion for Children and Young People.

Councillor Hamilton-Cox, seconded by Councillor Wilkinson, nominated Councillor Novell; Councillor Leyshon, seconded by Councillor Brayshaw, nominated Councillor Brown and Councillor Peter Williamson, seconded by Councillor Parkinson, nominated Councillor Charles.

10 Members voted for Councillor Novell; 29 Members voted for Councillor Brown and 16 Members voted for Councillor Charles. The Mayor declared Councillor Brown Champion for Children and Young People, having secured the majority of the votes cast.

Finally, the Mayor sought nominations for the role of Veterans' Champion.

Councillor Clifford nominated Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Pattison. There were no further nominations and Councillor Scott was appointed.

### Resolved:

(1) That Councillor Whitehead be appointed Champion for Older People for the municipal years 2015/16-2018/19

(2) That Councillor Brown be appointed Champion for Children and Young People for the municipal years 2015/16-2018/19.
 (3) That Councillor Scott be appointed Veterans' Champion for the municipal years 2015/16-2018/19

Mayor

(The meeting finished at 9.10 p.m.)

Any queries regarding these minutes, please contact Debbie Chambers, Democratic Services - telephone (01524) 582057 or email dchambers@lancaster.gov.uk

**Overview and Scrutiny** 

# Overview and Scrutiny Committee (9)

Labour (4)	Conservative (3)	Green (1)	Independent (1)	Free Independents (0)
Atkinson, Lucy	Cooper, Brett	Jackson, Caroline	Ashworth, June	
Biddulph, Alan	Goodrich, Nigel			
Devey, Rob	Williamson, Phillippa			
Whitaker, David				
Substitutes:				
Brown, Tracy	Leadbetter, Chris		Knight, Geoff	
Metcalfe, Terrie	Mace, Roger			

## Budget and Performance Panel (9)\*

Labour (4)	Conservative (3)	Green (2)	Independent (0)	Free Independents (0)
Cozler, Claire	Cooper, Brett	Brookes, Dave		
Hall, Janet	Gardiner, Andrew	Hamilton-Cox, Tim		
Hartley, Colin	Williamson, Phillippa			
Whitehead, Anne				
Substitutes:				
Sherlock, Roger	Wild, John			
TBC	Williamson, Peter			

its three places on each body and the Green and Independent Groups agreed between themselves that the Green Group would have Conservative and Green Groups. Labour withdrew from the draw and took four places on each body. The Conservative Group took The PR calculation for the Overview and Scrutiny PR Grouping resulted in a tie for the two last places between the Labour, two places on the B&P Panel and the Independent Group would take its place on the O&S Committee.

# **Grouped Regulatory and Standing Committees of Council**

Licensing Regulatory Committee (9)	mmittee (9)			
Labour (4)	Conservative (3)	Green (2)	Independent (0)	Free Independents
Hartley, Colin	Edwards, Charlie	Hamilton-Cox, Tim		(0)
Metcalfe, Terrie	Gardiner, Andrew	Novell, Rebecca		
Pattison, Margaret	Goodrich, Nigel			
Redfern, Robert				
Substitutes:				
Cozler, Claire	Mace, Roger			
Denwood, Sheila	Wild, John			

Licensing Act Committee (	-icensing Act Committee (15)* - no substitutes permitted	<i>p</i> e		
Labour (6)	Conservative (5)	Green (2)	Independent (1)	Free Independents (1)
Biddulph, Alan	Bateson, Stuart	Mills, Abi	Ashworth, June	Woodruff, Paul
Brayshaw, Carla	Edwards, Charlie	Novell, Rebecca		
Denwood, Sheila	Guilding, Mel			
Hartley, Colin	Leadbetter, Chris			
Metcalfe, Terrie	Rogerson, Sylvia			
Sherlock, Roger				

The Labour Group passed one place on the Licensing Act Committee to CIIr Woodruff in accordance with the PR calculation for the Regulatory and Standing Committee PR Grouping.

Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee (15)	egulatory Committee (15)			
Labour (7)	Conservative (5)	Green (2)	Independent (1)	Free Independents (0)
Blamire, Eileen	Bateson, Stuart	Brookes, Dave	Ashworth, June	
Brayshaw, Carla	Helme, Helen	Kay, Andrew		
Denwood, Sheila	Rogerson, Sylvia			
Leyshon, James	Thomas, Malcolm			
Pattison, Margaret	Yates, Peter			
Redfern, Robert				
Sherlock, Roger				
Substitutes:				
Newman-Thompson, R	Charles, Susie		Knight, Geoff	
Smith, David	Guilding, Mel			
Personnel Committee (7)				
Labour (4)	Conservative (2)	Green (1)	Independent (0)	Free Independents
Atkinson, Lucy	Parkinson, Jane	Jackson, Caroline		(6)
Kershaw, Ronnie	Rogerson, Sylvia			
Scott, Liz				
Smith, David				
Substitutes:				
Biddulph, Alan	Gardiner, Andrew			
Newman-Thompson, R	Williamson, Phillippa			
Audit Committee (7)				
Labour (4)	Conservative (2)	Green (1)	Independent (0)	Free Independents (0)
Mann, Matt	Sykes, Susan	Wilkinson, Nick		
Hughes, Brendan	Thomas, Malcolm			
Whitaker, David				
Whitehead, Anne				
Hartley, Colin	Bateson, Stuart			
Sherlock, Roger	Williamson, Peter			

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### **Other Standing Committees**

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Appears committee (7)				
Labour (4)	Conservative (2)	Green (1)	Independent (0)	Free Independents (0)
Cozler, Claire	Helme, Helen	Barry, Jon		
Hanson, Janice	Jackson, Joan			
Leytham, Karen				
Sherlock, Roger				
Substitutes:				
Metcalfe, Terrie	Charles, Susie			
Pattison, Margaret	Cooper, Brett			

### Standards Committee (7)

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Labour (4)	Conservative (2)	Green (1)	Independent (0)	Free Independents (0)
Hartley, Colin	Mace, Roger	Barry, Jon		
Scott, Liz	Yates, Peter			
Sherlock, Roger				
Whitaker, David				
Substitutes:				
Brown, Tracy	Edwards, Charlie			
Newman-Thompson, R	Goodrich, Nigel			

### Council Business Committee (7)

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Labour (4)	Conservative (2)	Green (1)	Independent (0)	Free Independents (0)
Blamire, Eileen	Jackson, Joan	Armstrong, Sam		
Brown, Tracy	Mace, Roger			
Hall, Janet				
Warriner, Andrew				
Substitutes:				
Metcalfe, Terrie	Charles, Susie			
Whitaker, David	Sykes, Susan			

### PR Member Panel

Appraisal Panel (7)

Labour (4)	Conservative (2)	Green (1)	Independent (0)	Free Independents (0)
Blamire, Eileen	Charles, Susie	Hamilton-Cox, Tim		
Pattison, Margaret	Mace, Roger			
Sherlock, Roger				
Smith, David				
Substitutes:				
Clifford, Darren	Jackson, Joan			
Sands, Ron	Parkinson, Jane			

### SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES. PARTNERSHIPS AND BOARDS

### <u>APPOINTMENTS MADE BY NOMINATION TO COUNCIL – (one appointment unless otherwise stated)</u>

Arnside and Silverdale AONB Unit – Councillor Goodrich

Board of the Lancaster District Chamber of Commerce - Councillor Hughes

Board of Trustees of the Lancaster Charity (6) – Councillors Brookes, Brown, Denwood,

Leytham, Redfern and Sherlock

Court of the University of Lancaster (5) Councillors Armstrong, Atkinson, Blamire, Leyshon and Mann

Domestic Abuse Reduction Group – Councillor Atkinson

Dukes Playhouse Board of Directors (4) – Councillors Biddulph, Blamire, Cozler and Leyshon

Forest of Bowland AONB Advisory Committee – Councillor Parkinson

Furness Line Community Railway Partnership - Councillor Yates

George Fox School Educational Charity – Councillor Sykes

Headlands to Headspace (H2H) Board – Councillor Yates

Health Scrutiny Committee (formerly Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee) – Councillor Hartley

Heysham Nuclear Power Station Local Community Liaison Council (9) - Councillors Bateson,

Biddulph, Brayshaw, Bryning, Cooper, Gardiner, Hartley, Pattison and Sands

Lancashire Tourism Forum - Councillor Sands

Lancaster and Skipton Rail User Group – Councillor Yates

Lancaster Community Fund Grants Panel (1 place; the other place is a Cabinet appointment) – Councillor Barry

Lancaster District CVS- Councillor Sherlock

Lancaster Ripley Church of England Education Trust (2) Councillors Bryning and Newman-Thompson

Lancaster University Council - Councillor Warriner

Landscapes for Life – Councillor Goodrich

Leeds-Morecambe and Settle-Carlisle Railway Development - Councillor Atkinson

Lune Park Children's Centre - Councillor Brown

Lune Valley Transport Enterprise (2) - Councillors Guilding and Mace

North Lancashire Citizens Advice Bureaux Board (3 places, Morecambe, Lancaster and

Rural) - Councillors Brayshaw, Hughes and Whitaker

North West Home Safety Council (2) No nominations received

Preston and Western Lancashire Racial Equality Council - Councillor Scott

Rainbow Centre (formerly Age Concern, Morecambe and Heysham) (2) - Councillors

Pattison and Whitehead

Relate Lancashire - Lancaster District - Councillor Atkinson

Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for the N. West of England and the Isle of Man – Councillor Scott