Local Government Act 1972

Borough of North Tyneside

29 March 2012

At the Extraordinary meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Tyneside duly convened and held on Thursday 29 March 2012 at 6.00pm in the Chamber at Quadrant at which a quorum of members were present, that is to say:

Present

Councillor J J Stirling (In the Chair)

Councillor J M Allan Councillor A Arkle Councillor B Burdis **Councillor W Caithness** Councillor K A Conroy **Councillor A Cowie** Councillor S Cox Councillor L Darke Councillor M A Finlay Councillor C A Gambling Councillor R Glindon Councillor J L L Harrison Councillor E F J Hodson Councillor John Hunter Councillor M Huscroft Councillor F Lott

Councillor M L Madden Councillor D McGarr Councillor L J Miller Councillor T Mulvenna Councillor A Normand Councillor D Ord Councillor J O'Shea Councillor K Osborne Councillor Mrs N Peggs Councillor Mrs N Peggs Councillor N Redfearn Councillor J Rutherford Councillor J Rutherford Councillor L A Spillard Councillor A Waggott-Fairley Councillor J I Walker

C155/03/12 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs J M Bell, Mrs G Barrie, G Brett, P Brooks, D Corkey, C Croft, E N Darke, S Day, I Grayson, M A Green, S Hill, Janet Hunter, D Lilly, B Pickard, M J Huscroft, M Rankin and Mrs J A Wallace.

(Councillor L Miller requested that apologies be recorded for all other Members of the Conservative Group who were not present.)

C156/03/12 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest reported in respect of any item of business at this meeting.

C157/03/12 Pay Policy Statement (Previous Minute C148/03/12)

Council considered a report, which sought approval for the revised Pay Policy Statement for 2012/13 and to authorise publication of the Pay Policy Statement on the Council's Website.

Council, at its meeting on 15 March, had agreed to defer consideration of the Pay Policy Statement to enable clarification to be sought as to whether the policy could include a requirement to advise the Council whether a Chief Officer was engaged by the Council on a self-employed basis.

The report to Council on 15 March in relation to the Pay Policy Statement and the revised Pay Policy Statement, in line with the comments indicated in Section 1.5 of the report for today's meeting, were attached.

The revisions to the Pay Policy Statement, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report, were underlined for Members' attention.

It was moved by Councillor L Miller and seconded by Councillor E Hodson that:

"Council approves the Pay Policy Statement for 2012/13 and authorises publication of the Pay Policy Statement on the Council's Website."

Members discussed the report and were given the opportunity to ask questions which were responded to appropriately.

Two Members present requested a recorded vote in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13(5).

Votes for the Motion

Councillors J M Allan, A Arkle, B Burdis, W Caithness, K A Conroy, A Cowie, S L Cox, L Darke, M A Finlay, C A Gambling, R Glindon, J L L Harrison, E Hodson, John Hunter, M Huscroft, F Lott, D McGarr, M L Madden, L Miller, T Mulvenna, A Normand, D Ord, J O'Shea, K Osborne, N Peggs, N Redfearn, J Rutherford, D Sarin, L A Spillard, J J Stirling, A Waggott-Fairley and J I Walker.

Votes against the Motion

None.

The motion, on being put to the meeting, was approved 32 votes to 0 votes.

C158/03/12 Common Seal

Resolved that the Common Seal be affixed to all deeds and documents required for carrying into effect the various decisions of the Council made since its last meeting.

The Leader of the Labour Group on behalf of his Group paid tribute to the work of the retiring Chair during his year of office.

Members of the Conservative and Liberal Democrat Groups associated themselves with the comments made.

Mr Graham Haywood, Interim Chief Executive, thanked the Chair on behalf of staff for the courteous way in which he had conducted the business of the Council.

The retiring Chair addressed the meeting in response to the vote of thanks. He had enjoyed his time in the office of Chair and the events he had attended during his term of office.