

## SALFORD CITY COUNCIL

17 July, 2019

Meeting commenced: 9.35 a.m.  
“ adjourned: 11.15 a.m.  
“ re-convened: 11.30 a.m.  
“ ended: 12.40 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Charlie McIntyre - Ceremonial Mayor and Chair

Mr Paul Dennett - City Mayor

Councillors Derek Antrobus, Sharmina August, Michele Barnes, Samantha Bellamy, Barbara Bentham, Paula Boshell, Adrian Brocklehurst, Joshua Brooks, Tanya Burch, Jim Cammell, Bob Clarke, Stephen Coen, Jillian Collinson, Peter Connor, Richard Critchley, Stuart Dickman, Laura Edwards, John Ferguson, Heather Fletcher, Karen Garrido, Robin Garrido, Darren Goulden, Jane Hamilton, Stephen Hesling, Bill Hinds, Ann-Marie Humphreys, David Jolley, Roger Jones, Tracy Kelly, Jim King, David Lancaster, Ari Leitner, Kate Lewis, Sophia Linden, Mike McCusker, Ray Mashiter, John Merry, Margaret Morris, John Mullen, Lewis Nelson, Wilson Nkurinziza, Gina Reynolds, Neil Reynolds, Brendan Ryan, Arnold Saunders, Les Turner, Madeline Wade, Ray Walker, Joan Walsh, John Walsh, Darren Ward, John Warmisham, Barry Warner, Colette Weir, Michael Wheeler and Ronnie Wilson.

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Jim Dawson, Mike Pevitt, and Robert Sharpe.

### 2. SREBRENICA

Members stood in silence in remembrance of the victims of the Srebrenica Massacre which had occurred in July 1995 during the Bosnian War.

The City Mayor commented that the lesson from Srebrenica was no society was invulnerable to prejudice and intolerance. As a consequence it was necessary to remain vigilant against these forces and take positive action to build stronger, more resilient communities. Councillor Heather Fletcher echoed these sentiments.

### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor John Merry and Councillor Tracy Kelly each declared a non pecuniary personal interest in the item detailed in Minute 16(Q2) in that they were respectively

the Chair and a board member of Derivé. Councillor Robin Garrido declared an interest in the same item, in that he was a board member of ForViva.

#### 4. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

- (a) Representations were made by Lucy Henning, supported by Kasim Jameel, seeking support for a campaign to name a suitable road in Salford in honour and memory of her late father Alan Henning.

The City Mayor thanked Lucy and Kasim for their attendance and said the City Council fully supported the campaign and had been liaising with developers to identify a principle road for such a tribute. Similarly Eccles ward councillors were working closely with Alan's family, the Lead Member for Planning and Sustainable Development and appropriate officers of the Council, to hopefully make this a reality in the near future.

- (b) Councillor Samantha Bellamy submitted a petition on behalf of Walkden residents which sought consideration to the introduction of traffic calming measures on Windmill Road, Walkden.
- (c) A petition was also submitted by Mrs Carol Boyce, as part of her public question on Boddan Lodge, Monton Green (*see Minute 6(a)*), which asked Salford City Council to ensure its continued use as community hub and facility for older members of the local community.

#### 5. MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

The minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 were approved as correct record.

#### 6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Questions were received as follows and replied to accordingly:-

- (a) From Mrs Carol Boyce

***“What are Salford City Council going to do to ensure Boddan Lodge Over 60's Club, Monton Green, can continue to serve the older people of Salford and to make positive contributions to their health, wellbeing and social support networks?”***

Councillor David Lancaster, Lead Member for Environment and Community Safety, replied that Boddan Lodge Over 60's Club, was one of many such facilities and organisations in Salford which provided a valuable service to older members of the community. The premises they operated from had been built in 1968 and secured on a 50 year lease, which on its expiry in 2018 had transferred to the Unitarian Church. The City Council had yet to take any decision and there remained a commitment to do everything possible to ensure the continued operation of the Club, but to do this a business plan had to be developed which would reduce its current annual running costs of £20,000.

(b) From Mr Paul Wilson

***"Why have ward Councillors, the Council and the Neighbourhood Manager not facilitated the reinstatement of the Community Committee as promised, so that the residents of Swinton South (like other wards in the city) have a Community Committee that meets in the evenings at least every other month."***

Councillor Tracy Kelly, Lead Member for Housing and Neighbourhoods, replied that, following the issue being raised at the meeting of Council held on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019 (*previous Minute 54(a)*), the Area Manager for East Salford and Swinton, as promised, had been asked to review the meeting arrangements for the Swinton and Pendlebury Community Committee. This had been raised at the Committee's annual meeting in June 2019, where it confirmed its previous decision and agreed to continue with holding regular community network events, rather than bi-monthly meetings. This was a format which had been adopted by other neighbourhood areas in the City and was supported by other effective, but less formal, methods of engagement between the City Council and the local community. Councillor Kelly concluded by saying if there were any other specific issues she would be happy to meet separately to discuss these on an ad hoc basis and invite the relevant ward councillors and the City Mayor to these if appropriate.

#### 7. EU AND WALKDEN SOUTH ELECTIONS - RESULTS

The Returning Officer submitted a report detailing the results of European Union (EU) Election held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2019 the Walkden South Election, which had been held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

The Ceremonial Mayor and the City Mayor, on behalf of all Members of the Council, congratulated Councillor Joshua Brooks, the successful candidate in the Walkden South Election and welcomed him to his first meeting.

#### 8. NOTIFICATION/APPOINTMENT OF CABINET 2019/20 (Previous Minute 89 - 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019)

The City Mayor reported that there were no changes to his Cabinet, consequently the current deputy city mayors, lead members and executive support members would all continue in office. The only exception to this was the appointment of Councillor Mike McCusker to the newly created post of Executive Support Member for Planning, Housing and Sustainable Development.

RESOLVED: THAT the following membership the Cabinet and wider Mayoral Team for 2019/20, be noted

#### **Deputy City Mayors**

Councillor Paula Boshell\*

Councillor John Merry

#### **Responsibility**

Internal and City matters, Council reform, budget support and political executive

Outward relationships, Manchester Devolution, Northern Powerhouse, Local Government Association and other external

organisations, Children and Young People's Services

**Lead Members**

Councillor Tracy Kelly  
 Councillor David Lancaster  
 Councillor Derek Antrobus  
 Councillor Bill Hinds  
 Councillor John Ferguson  
 Councillor Gina Reynolds

**Responsibility**

Housing and Neighbourhoods  
 Environment and Community Safety  
 Planning and Sustainable Development  
 Finance and Support Services  
 Workforce and Industrial Relations  
 Adult Services, Health and Wellbeing

**Executive Support Members**

Councillor Roger Jones  
 Councillor Stephen Coen  
 Councillor John Walsh  
 Councillor Jane Hamilton  
 Councillor Mike McCusker

**Responsibility**

Transport  
 Culture, Leisure and Sport  
 Education and Learning  
 Social Care and Mental Health  
 Planning, Housing and Sustainable Development

\* *Councillor Paula Boshell to fulfil the role of Statutory Deputy Mayor*

9. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2019/20  
 (Previous Minute 90 - 18 May 2019)

The City Mayor submitted a report detailing the following amendments to the membership of committees and panels for the Municipal Year 2019/20. Further amendments were reported at the meeting and are also included below.

<b>Committee Panel</b>	<b>New Member</b>	<b>Replacing</b>
Community and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel	Councillor John Mullen  Councillor Joan Walsh	Councillor Mike McCusker  Councillor Lewis Nelson
Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel	Councillor Joshua Brooks  <i>arising Labour Group vacancy</i>	Councillor Tanya Burch  Councillor Rob Sharpe
Licensing and Safety Regulatory Panel	<i>arising Labour Group vacancy</i>	Councillor Lewis Nelson
Planning and Transportation Regulatory Panel	Councillor Lewis Nelson	Councillor Joan Walsh

Audit and Accounts Committee	Councillor Joshua Brooks	Councillor Jim King
Lowry Committee	<i>arising Labour Group vacancy</i> Councillor Karen Garrido*	Councillor Ann-Marie Humphreys <i>Conservative Group vacancy</i>
Standards Committee	Councillor Jim Dawson	Councillor Ann-Marie Humphreys
Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE)	Councillor Jillian Collinson*	<i>Conservative Group vacancy</i>

\* reported at the meeting and confirming appointments made on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019

RESOLVED: THAT the amendments to the membership of the committees and panels for the Municipal Year 2019/20, as detailed in the report now submitted and summarised above, be noted.

10. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2019/20.  
(Previous Minute 91 - 18 May 2019)

The City Mayor submitted a report containing details of the following amendments to appointments to outside bodies, together with nominations and appointments to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA)/Association of Greater Manchester Authorities (AGMA) for the Municipal Year 2019/20.

	Body	New Member(s)	Replacing
(a)	Greater Manchester Transport Committee <i>(formerly TfGMC (Transport for Greater Manchester Committee))</i>	Councillor Warner  Councillor Mike McCusker <i>(substitute)</i>	<i>vacancy</i>  <i>vacancy</i>
(b)	GMCA Overview and Scrutiny Committees	Councillor Jim King (Economy)  Councillor Sharmina August (Housing)	<i>vacancy</i>  <i>vacancy</i>

(c)	North West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee	Councillor Ray Mashiter	<i>vacancy</i>
(d)	Halle	Councillor Ann Marie Humphreys	<i>vacancy</i>
(e)	Booth Charities	Councillors Tanya Burch Councillor Jim Dawson	<i>vacancy</i> <i>vacancy</i>
(f)	City of Salford Relief of Distress Fund	Councillor Gina Reynolds <i>(as Lead Member for Adults Services, Health and Wellbeing)</i>	Councillor Tracy Kelly
(g)	The Landing at MediaCityUK Limited	Debbie Brown	<i>vacancy</i>

RESOLVED: (1) THAT the amendments to GMCA appointments and nominations of the City Council, as detailed in the report now submitted and respectively summarised in (a), (b) and (c) above, be approved.

(2) THAT the amendment to the appointment made by AGMA, as detailed in the report now submitted and summarised in (d) above, be noted.

(3) THAT amendments to the non GMCA and non AGMA nominations and appointments of the City Council as detailed in the report now submitted and respectively summarised in (e), (f) and (g) above, be approved.

#### 11. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSONS TO ASSIST MONITORING OFFICER

The City Solicitor submitted a report seeking approval to the appointment of two independent persons to assist Salford City Council in its responsibilities in investigating complaints about elected member conduct, as defined under the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 and the City Council's own associated local Code of Conduct.

RESOLVED: THAT approval be given to appointment of the following to act as independent persons to assist the monitoring officer in investigating any alleged breaches of the Salford City Council Code of Conduct by elected members:-

- Caroline Wolfenden
- Jonathan Storey

12. SERVICE RE-ALIGNMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND LEADERSHIP

The Lead Member for Workforce and Industrial Relations submitted a report which detailed the approach to achieve changes to leadership arrangements and responsibilities, together with the realignment of functions, following the resignation of the Strategic Director for Public Health, Strategy and Policy. It also set out the revised role and arrangements for this statutory post, through changes to the organisation structure and management arrangements, resulting in financial savings in terms of senior management costs.

RESOLVED: (1) THAT the report and proposals, as agreed by the Workforce Panel on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019, be noted.

(2) THAT approval be given the recommendations of the Workforce Panel on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019, including the agreed remuneration levels.

(3) THAT the total savings to the cost of senior management posts since 2015 and amounting to £1,032,482, be noted.

13. REVIEW OF AGMA CONSTITUTION

The City Solicitor submitted a report providing details of a number of amendments to the AGMA constitution, which had been agreed by its Executive Board following a review by the GMCA Monitoring Officer.

RESOLVED: THAT the report be noted.

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

Climate Emergency Declaration

Councillor Kate Lewis moved the following motion, which was seconded by Councillor Sharmina August.

***Salford City Council notes the findings of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report 'Global Warming of 1.5°C' published on 8 October 2018, in particular:***

- ***That human activities are estimated to have already caused approximately 1.0°C of global warming above pre-industrial levels;***
- ***That if we continue at the current rate, we are likely to surpass the Paris Agreement target of 1.5°C as early as 2030;***
- ***That at the current level of commitments, the world is on course for 3°C of warming with irreversible and catastrophic consequences for humans and the natural world.***

***The City Council believes that:***

- ***That the impacts of global temperature rise above 1.5°C, are so severe***

***that governments at all levels must work together and make this their top priority.***

- ***As well as large-scale improvements in health and wellbeing around the world, bold climate action can deliver economic benefits in terms of new jobs, economic savings and market opportunities.***

***Therefore, Salford City Council agrees:***

- ***To declare a 'climate emergency'.***
- ***To establish a new task and finish group, with a remit to:***
  - ***Seek advice from experts to develop a 5 Year carbon budget and set a challenging target date of 2038 for carbon neutrality in Salford;***
  - ***Consider systematically the climate change impact of each area of the Council's activities;***
  - ***Make recommendations and set an ambitious timescale for reducing these impacts;***
  - ***To assess the feasibility of requiring all risk and procurement assessments to include Carbon Emission Appraisals, including presenting alternative approaches which reduce emissions wherever possible.***
  - ***Report to full Council with the actions the Council needs to take to address this emergency.***
- ***To task a Director level officer with responsibility for reducing as rapidly as possible, the carbon emissions resulting from the Council's activities.***
- ***To equip all our staff with an awareness of the CO<sub>2</sub> costs and impacts of everyday activities, and the ability and motivation to reduce emissions through widespread Carbon Literacy.***
- ***To produce a report to the next Full Council on the level of investment in the fossil fuel industry that our pensions plan and other investments have.***
- ***That the City Mayor will write to the Prime Minister to inform her that Salford City Council has declared a climate emergency and ask her to provide the resources and powers necessary to deal with it.***

Councillor Kate Lewis and Councillor Sharmina August both spoke in favour of the motion.

Councillors Les Turner, Lewis Nelson, Derek Antrobus, Karen Garrido, Robin Garrido and Ari Leitner and the City Mayor all added their own support for the motion.

Councillor Les Turner and Robin Garrido said, while the Conservative Group wholeheartedly agreed with the motion as submitted, they could not similarly endorse the sentiment of some of the comments which had been made in support of it.

RESOLVED: THAT the motion, as moved by Councillor Kate Lewis and detailed above, be unanimously approved and adopted.

15. STATEMENT OF THE CITY MAYOR

The City Mayor made a number of announcements, highlighted issues and made comments as follows:-

- (a) Building on the success of 2018's initiative and as part of Salford's wider Anti Poverty Strategy, in conjunction with Booths Charities, the Healthy Holidays Food Vouchers scheme had been launched. Administered through the Salford Assist programme, it would help eligible families with the cost of food during the school summer holidays, through the provision of £30 grocery vouchers.
- (b) Britain's housing system was not delivering the homes that were needed, or people could afford. This failing was rooted in the National Planning Policy Framework, which had been introduced in 2012 and favoured developers, by focussing primarily on quantity, rather than making a distinction between different types of housing and reflecting the actual needs of the country and its people.

Against this background it was necessary for local authorities, like Salford City Council, to become developers themselves, by creating affordable and social rented homes. In 2018/19, the City Council accounted for 23% of all affordable home starts in Greater Manchester. However despite this success, policy changes and working with other partners delivering the required volume, mix and tenure of affordable housing remains a challenge. As a consequence the City Council had established Derivé, which was building on the success of its first business plan, by embarking on a second, which would create 117 affordable units.

In addition, Salford's forthcoming Local Plan would seek a minimum of 20% affordable housing on any new residential sites, rising to 50% where viability allowed.

Together, these were vital drivers in tackling the shortage of affordable and social rented properties in Salford, where there were 6,280 household on the housing waiting list, 191 in statutory temporary accommodation, 115 in "A Bed Every Night" accommodation and on an average 52 bids for every affordable home advertised.

- (c) Housing First had been launched in Greater Manchester, being one of three national pilots and would see the region receive an additional £8m over three years, to provide support and accommodation for up to 400 people with complex needs. Rough sleeping had increased in Greater Manchester by 487% since 2010. Housing First was amongst the few evidence based approaches to tackle this problem and homelessness generally and a successful pilot in Greater Manchester, would provide a strong argument for the provision or more social and affordable housing nationally.
- (d) There had been recent media reports about a scam being employed to obtain lump sum advance payments from Universal Credit without the claimant's knowledge. This had already affected a number of families in Salford, who were now receiving support and assistance from the Council's Welfare Rights and Debt Advice Service.

Nationwide, it was estimated there were 42,000 such cases, with a potential cost to the taxpayer of over £20m. He had made representations to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions about the failings of the online Universal Credit system, which allowed this fraudulent activity to the detriment of vulnerable people who were on low income and had the potential to put them in an even more perilous financial position. Assurances had been sought that these matters would be urgently investigated, with appropriate safeguards put in place to prevent any further instances.

- (e) The NHS (National Health Service) Salford Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) had received an “outstanding” rating from the Care Quality Commission (CQC) for the fourth consecutive year. This demonstrated the strong partnership network which existed in Salford, the commitment of all the staff within the CCG and whose efforts contributed to this achievement and the positive impact on health and social care in the City.
- (f) His attendance, with Councillor Gina Reynolds, Lead Member for Adult Services, Health and Wellbeing, at the recent annual Aspire awards which celebrated and recognised the hard work and dedication of staff, in their support of vulnerable adults and young people in Salford.
- (g) There had been a variety of events over the past few months all enjoyed by many of Salford’s residents. These had included:-
  - Salford Dragon Boat Race, Salford Quays
  - The Pink Picnic, Peel Park
  - Armed Forces Day Parade and Family Fun Day, Winton Park
  - Precarious Day Carnival to mark the 258<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bridgewater Canal, various locations along the Boothstown to Barton stretch of the Canal
  - Birch Road Action Group, Walkden - The Green, Greening Event
- (h) The following green spaces in Salford had been awarded continued Green Flag status:-
  - Blackleach Country Park, Walkden
  - Clifton Country Park, Pendlebury
  - Boothsbank Park, Boothstown and Ellenbrook
  - Peel Green Cemetery, Winton
  - Peel Park, Irwell Riverside
  - Victoria Park, Swinton
  - Winton Park, Winton

Congratulations were extended to all the council staff and volunteers who had played a part in these individual achievements.

## 16. GENERAL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS TO THE CITY MAYOR

- Q1. Councillor Bill Hinds referred to the launch of the Healthy Holidays Vouchers scheme (see *Minute 15(a)*) and said while he welcomed this type of initiative, it was

disheartening that so many people today found themselves dependent on such assistance from food banks, which was indicative of the social inequalities created by the current economic system.

The City Mayor welcomed these comments, which he endorsed and reiterated.

- Q2. Councillor Robin Garrido referred to the progress of existing registered housing providers in creating new social and affordable accommodation (*see Minute 15(b)*) and in doing so building mixed tenure communities. He however, suggested Derivé only duplicated their efforts in this regard and did not deliver any additional homes that would not be created by other social housing providers.

Councillor Tracy Kelly, Lead Member for Housing and Neighbourhoods, said the benefit of Derivé was that the properties it continued to provide, were not subject to “Right to Buy” legislation, so there was greater assurance for their status as social and affordable housing being retained. Councillor John Merry, Deputy Mayor, echoed these comments and added Derivé could only be charged with duplicating the efforts of other social housing providers, if there was an excess of such accommodation in Salford. This was not the case and in reality it was playing a vital part in bridging the existing shortfall in supply.

The City Mayor welcomed the respective comments of Councillors Kelly and Merry, which he endorsed. In response to Councillor Robin Garrido, he commented that there were currently approximately 97,000 people on housing waiting lists across Greater Manchester (6,280 in Salford) and since the introduction of the Right to Buy Policy by the Housing Act 1980, around 92,000 homes in the region had been sold off as a consequence. It was against this background that Derivé had been established and it provided a vital role in delivering additional real social and affordable housing options, which had a guaranteed longevity and created sustainable mixed tenure communities.

*Councillors Robin Garrido, Kelly and Merry all declared a non pecuniary personal interest in this matter (see Minute 3).*

- Q3. Councillor Robin Garrido referred to the Section 106 monies received from developers by the Council under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and suggested these were not being used as swiftly and effectively as possible to fund schemes.

Councillor Derek Antrobus, Lead Member for Planning and Sustainable Development, replied that Salford City Council had an excellent record in securing Section 106 monies, similarly ensuring they were consolidated and used effectively to fund appropriate schemes which provided the optimum benefit for local communities. There were specific guidelines as how Section 106 monies could be spent, which were strictly observed and meant the projects to be funded were not always realised as quickly as was wished.

The City Mayor welcomed the comments of Councillor Antrobus, which he endorsed.

Q4. Councillor Gina Reynolds, Lead Member for Adult Services, Health and Wellbeing, echoed the City Mayor's comments with regard to NHS Salford CCG's recent CQC rating (see *Minute 15(e)*) and the Aspire annual awards (see *Minute 15(f)*).

#### 17. GENERAL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS TO CABINET MEMBERS

Q1. Councillor Jillian Collinson referred to a decision taken by the former Walkden High School, requiring pupils to purchase Chromebooks to assist with their studies. The school had since become the Co-op Academy Walkden and this decision had been rescinded, but only after many families had made the significant financial outlay to buy the requested IT equipment for their children. She asked why, when at the time the decision was made, the school was under local authority control, it had not been challenged.

Councillor John Merry, Deputy City Mayor, replied the decision was one made by the by the governing body of the former Walkden High School and not Salford City Council, nor was it one they were aware of, or would have endorsed at the time. Nevertheless, he said it was now essential that the matter was resolved in way to ensure those parents who had bought the Chromebooks for their children were suitably compensated, but reiterated the original decision was not one the City Council had responsibility for.

Q2. Councillor Robin Garrido referred to Labour Party campaign leaflet circulated during recent Walkden South Election claiming H.M. Government had identified the site of the former St. George's High School, Walkden as the location for a new free school to be run by the Star Academies Trust. He said the claim was unfounded and as result the leaflet should have been withdrawn.

Councillor John Merry, Deputy City Mayor, said it had been inappropriate for H.M. Government to make such an announcement during the "purdah" period of an election campaign, the details of which had received extensive coverage in the local media. It was on this basis it had featured in a Labour Party leaflet and in any event H.M Government had not issued any counter refuting the accuracy of the media reports.

Q3. Councillor Richard Critchley asked if there were any proposals for the future use of the former St. George's High School site, particularly suggestions it was to be the location of a free school? (*also see Minute 17(Q2)*)

Councillor John Merry, Deputy City Mayor, said Salford City Council did not support the creation of free schools, because they were not under local authority control. That said, they would be willing to meet with any organisation who shared the Council's ethos to education provision, about any such proposals they had in this regard, to ascertain if they were mutually viable and could be developed for the benefit and needs of Salford's young people. He added the Council did not wish to see the former St. George's High School site used as the location for a new secondary school and at this stage no formal proposal had been submitted.

*At this point in proceedings the Ceremonial Mayor asked whether members wished to extend the meeting beyond the agreed finish time of 12.30 p.m. Following a show of hands, it was agreed the meeting now finish at 12.40 p.m.*

- Q4. Councillor Laura Edwards asked if the Lead Member for Planning and Sustainable Development would be willing to meet with her and pupils from the James Brindley Primary School, Walkden, to discuss their concerns with regard to road safety in the vicinity of the school, particularly their campaign for the installation a new pedestrian crossing at more central location on Newearth Road.

Councillor Derek Antrobus, Lead Member for Planning and Sustainable Development, said he was happy to accede to this request.

18. GENERAL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS TO CHAIRS OF SCRUTINY PANELS

Councillor Lewis Nelson referred to a recent meeting he had with members of the Together@M44, a support group for carers, particularly those with a responsibility for young people, or young people caring for their parents. He said these dedicated and inspirational people, frequently faced difficulty in obtaining the support and assistance they required to care for people with a variety of often complex needs. He asked for the Children's Scrutiny Panel to urgently investigate this issue and in doing so fully engage with the carers concerned, to seek their views and gather evidence.

Councillor Adrian Brocklehurst, Chair of Children's Scrutiny Panel, said the Panel was committed to a detailed investigation into the issues facing young carers and had already established a special scrutiny sub group, chaired by Councillor Laura Edwards, to undertake this task.

19. GENERAL QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THE DISCHARGE OF FUNCTIONS OF JOINT AUTHORITIES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

There were no questions or comments.

RESOLVED: (1) THAT the updates submitted in relation to the recent activities of the following bodies, be noted:-

- ForHousing Board
- Windsor Albion Co-operative
- Stadium Joint Venture Company

(2) THAT update in relation to the Working Class Movement Library be submitted to the next meeting

*A full audio/visual recording of these proceedings can be found on the Salford City Council website [Council 17 July 2019 Webcast](#)*