ANNUAL MEETING OF FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL <u>15 MAY 2012</u>

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Flintshire County Council of Flintshire County Council held at Council Chamber, County Hall, Mold CH7 6NA on Tuesday, 15 May 2012

PRESENT: Councillor Hilary McGuill (Chair)

Councillors Alex Aldridge, Bernie Attridge, Glyn Banks, Haydn Bateman, Marion Bateman, Chris Bithell, Amanda Bragg, Helen Brown, Derek Butler, Clive Carver, David Cox, Peter Curtis, Ron Davies, Adele Davies-Cooke, Alan Diskin, Glenys Diskin, Chris Dolphin, Rosetta Dolphin, Ian Dunbar, Brian Dunn, Carol Ellis, David Evans, Jim Falshaw, Veronica Gay, Robin Guest, Alison Halford, Ron Hampson, George Hardcastle, Cindy Hinds, Trefor Howorth, Ray Hughes, Dennis Hutchinson, Hilary Isherwood, Joe Johnson, Christine Jones, Kevin Jones, Richard Jones, Stella Jones, Colin Legg, Phil Lightfoot, Brian Lloyd, Mike Lowe, Peter Macfarlane, Dave Mackie, Nancy Matthews, Ann Minshull, Billy Mullin, Mike Peers, Neville Phillips, Mike Reece, Gareth Roberts, Ian Roberts, Tony Sharps, Aaron Shotton, Paul Shotton, Ian Smith, Nigel Steele-Mortimer, Carolyn Thomas, Owen Thomas, David Williams, Sharon Williams, David Wisinger, Arnold Woolley and Matt Wright

<u>APOLOGIES</u>: Councillors Ted Evans, Rita Johnson, Richard Lloyd and Tim Newhouse.

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive, Director of Lifelong Learning, Director of Environment, Director of Community Services, Head of Legal and Democratic Services, Head of Customer Services and ICT, Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development, Democracy and Governance Manager and Member Engagement Manager and Committee Officers

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor L.A. Aldridge declared a personal interest on items which covered joint authority agreements where financial and policy impact as a Commissioner for Anglesey Council.

2. CHAIR'S REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2011/12

The Chair presented her review of the year and highlighted the achievements of the Council. Copies of her review had been circulated to all Members. She welcomed all Members to the Annual Meeting and paid tribute to the Members who were no longer part of the Council. She also thanked her brother who had acted as her consort, Fred Gillmore and his wife for their sterling work as Vice-Chair and Consort and also the Reverend Sally Baird who had been her chaplain.

In closing, she thanked the Corporate Management team and all of the Council's employees who deliver the Council services and welcomed the new Head of Legal and Democratic Services, Gareth Owens to his first meeting of the Council. She also thanked the Civic & Members' Services team who had ensured that she had been at the right place at the right time and suitably briefed throughout her busy year.

3. <u>ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR</u> 2012/13, INVESTITURE OF CHAIN OF OFFICE AND SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

It was proposed by Councillor D. Evans and seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge that Councillor A. Minshull be elected Chair of the Council for the municipal year 2012/13. Councillors Evans and Attridge spoke in support of their nomination.

The motion was put to the meeting and it was:

RESOLVED:

That Councillor A. Minshull be elected Chair of the Council for the municipal year 2012/13.

Councillor Minshull was invested with the Chain of Office by the retiring Chair and signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Chief Executive.

(At this point Councillor Minshull chaired the remainder of the meeting)

The Chair then presented Councillor H.J. McGuill with her retiring Chair's Badge of Office and her Consort's retiring Badge of Office.

The Chair responded and thanked Members for their support in electing her as Chair for the year ahead. She took the opportunity to pay tribute to the manner in which Councillor H.J. McGuill had carried out her role as Civic Leader with the support of her Consort. They had both been exemplary ambassadors for the County and proposed a formal vote of thanks to Councillor McGuill for her term of office.

Councillor M.J. Peers, on behalf of the Independent Alliance Group, congratulated Councillor Minshull on her appointment and paid tribute to the outgoing Chair, who he said had held the position with great professionalism and integrity and had raised an impressive amount of money for her named charities. He also paid tribute to the out-going Vice-Chair, Councillor F. Gillmore and his consort who he said had also held the position with great professionalism during his term of office.

Councillors R.J.T. Guest, C.S. Carver and L.A. Sharps also congratulated Councillor Minshull and paid tribute to the out-going Chair and Vice-Chair on behalf of the other political groups, as did Councillor H.G. Roberts.

The Chief Executive, on behalf of the officers, thanked the out-going Chair, Vice-Chair and their consorts and said that it had been a pleasure working with them during their term of office.

4. <u>APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE</u> <u>MUNICIPAL YEAR 2012/13, INVESTITURE OF CHAIN OF OFFICE AND</u> <u>SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE</u>

It was proposed by Councillor S. Jones and seconded by Councillor R.C. Bithell that Councillor C.A. Thomas be appointed Vice-Chair for the municipal year 2012/13. Councillors Jones and Bithell spoke in support of their nomination.

The motion was put to the meeting and it was:

RESOLVED:

That Councillor C.A. Thomas be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Council for the municipal year 2012/13.

Councillor Thomas was invested with the Chain of Office by the Chair and signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Chief Executive.

5. <u>COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS - 3RD MAY 2012</u>

The Returning Officer presented a formal report to the County Council on the results of the whole Council elections held on 3rd May, 2012.

The 2012 combined County Council and Town and Community Councils had been managed effectively and to a high standard with many agents and candidates complementing the efficiency and professionalism in which the elections and the elections count had been conducted. The Electoral Commission would be reviewing the performance of elections across Wales and England and would produce a national review report. Flintshire will also complete a self-assessment to improve further our performance including ensuring access to all polling stations and count venue facilities.

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

6. <u>APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL</u>

It was proposed by Councillor L.A. Aldridge and seconded by Councillor L.A. Sharps that Councillor A.P. Shotton be appointed Leader of the Council for the municipal year 2012/13.

Councillor Aldridge spoke in support of his proposal and said that he was confident that Councillor Shotton would provide the leadership needed for a stable Council in the best interests of the residents of Flintshire. Councillor Sharps said that it was his pleasure to second the proposal. He commented on the work of the previous administration and paid tribute to the previous Executive Members and their accomplishments. He explained that through supporting Councillor Shotton the Independent Members would remain independent of group control. A recorded vote was requested and the requisite number of Members stood in support of this. On being put to the vote the proposal was carried.

For the proposal:-

Councillors: L.A. Aldridge, J.B. Attridge, G. Banks, G.H. Bateman, M. Bateman, R.C. Bithell, H. Brown, D. Butler, D.L. Cox, P.J. Curtis, R. Davies, A.G. Diskin, G. Diskin, I. Dunbar, C.A. Ellis, D. Evans, R.G. Hampson, G. Hardcastle, C. Hinds, H.T. Howorth, R. Hughes, H.D. Hutchinson, J. Johnson, C.M. Jones, K. Jones, S. Jones, C. Legg, P. Lightfoot, B. Lloyd, M. Lowe, R.P. Macfarlane, A. Minshull, W. Mullin, M.A. Reece, I.B. Roberts, L.A. Sharps, A.P. Shotton, P. Shotton, I. Smith, C.A. Thomas, S. Williams and D.E. Wisinger.

Against the proposal:-

Councillors: A. Bragg, C.S. Carver, A. Davies-Cooke, C.J. Dolphin, R. Dolphin, B. Dunn, J.E. Falshaw, V. Gay, R.J.T. Guest, A.M. Halford, H.T. Isherwood, R.B. Jones, D.I. Mackie, N.M. Matthews, H.J. McGuill, M.J. Peers, N. Phillips, H.G. Roberts, N.R. Steele-Mortimer, W.O. Thomas, D.T. Williams, A. Woolley and M.G. Wright

RESOLVED:

That Councillor A.P. Shotton be appointed Leader of the Council for the municipal year 2012/13.

Councillor Shotton thanked Members for their support and said that it was an honour to be appointed Leader of the Council for the next 12 months. He said that he was committed to protecting and improving key public services through cross party working and outlined improvements which he would like to see such as greater numbers of apprenticeships through working with the private sector to create employment opportunities for the people of Flintshire including young people.

7. <u>APPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE BY THE LEADER</u>

The Leader of the Council, Councillor A.P. Shotton, in accordance with the Constitution referred to his choice of Councillors who would serve on the Cabinet.

RESOLVED:

That the choice of Councillors to serve on the Cabinet and their portfolios detailed below be noted.

<u>Cabinet</u>	Portfolio
Aaron Shotton	Leader of the Council & Cabinet Member for Finance
Bernie Attridge	Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Environment

Chris Bithell	Cabinet Member for Education
Helen Brown	Cabinet Member for Housing
Christine Jones	Cabinet Member for Social Services
Kevin Jones	Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Waste & Recycling
Peter Macfarlane	Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Enterprise & Leisure
Billy Mullin	Cabinet Member for Corporate Management

8. CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS: COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

The Council considered the report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services which dealt with matters that required decision at the Annual Meeting of the County Council in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.1 (vii) – (xiii). Those matters were set out in separate sections of the report.

(A) <u>Appointment of Committees</u>

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services explained that the Council's Procedure Rules required the Annual Meeting to appoint at least one Overview and Scrutiny Committee, a Standards Committee, a Licensing Committee and such other Committees as the Council considered appropriate to deal with matters which were neither reserved to the Council nor were Executive functions.

Councillor A.P. Shotton, Leader of the Council proposed that the County Council confirm the appointment of the Committees as outlined in section 2.01 of the report with the following amendments:-

- That the Democratic Services Committee be added to the list of standing Committees; and
- That the function of the Overview & Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee be carried out by the Constitution Committee.

Councillor A. Woolley raised concern on the small number of Licensing Committee meetings which had been held during the 2011/12 municipal year and proposed an amendment that the function of the Licensing Committee be combined with the function of the Standards Committee. This was seconded by Councillor H.G. Roberts and when put to the vote was lost.

RESOLVED:

That the County Council confirm the appointment of the Committees as outlined in section 2.01 of the report with the following amendments:-

• That the Democratic Services Committee be added to the list of standing Committees; and

• That the function of the Overview & Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee be carried out by the Constitution Committee.

(B) <u>Determination of the size of Committees</u>

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the Annual Meeting must decide upon the size of each of the Committees it had appointed. The Constitution made provision for the size of the Committees which were detailed in the report. He suggested that the newly appointed Democratic Services Committee be the same size and have the same membership as the Constitution Committee.

RESOLVED:

That the County Council confirm the size of the Committees as outlined in section 3.01 of the report with the addition that the Democratic Services Committee has 21 seats.

(C) <u>Terms of Reference of Committees</u>

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the Annual Meeting was required to decide the Terms of Reference of the Committees that it had appointed. The suggested Terms of Reference of the Committees were set out in Section A of Part 3 of the Constitution.

At recent meetings of the Audit and Constitution Committee, two minor changes to the Audit Committee's terms of reference had been recommended, as shown in Appendix A of the report. Further amendments to the Audit Committee's terms of reference were required as part of the Local Government Measure and it was recommended that the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be given delegated authority to make the necessary amendments following receipt of statutory guidance due to be issued by the Welsh Government.

The Democratic Services Committee's terms of reference need to cover the functions as set out in section 2.04 of the report and again it was recommended that the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be given delegated authority to make the necessary amendments following receipt of statutory guidance due to be issued by the Welsh Government.

In conclusion, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that at the last meeting of the Constitution Committee it resolved to recommend to Council that its terms of reference be amended to enable the Committee to examine and consider the creation of and amendment of byelaws for Flintshire. It was recommended that the terms of reference be amended.

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the Council support the recommendations as detailed in the report including an amendment that the position of Chair of the Licensing Committee not be given to the largest opposition group. This was seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge.

Councillor C.S. Carver proposed an amendment that the terms of reference of the Licensing Committee be amended to include the wording 'that the meetings would not be held in a licensed premises'. This amendment was seconded by Councillor N.R. Steele-Mortimer. When put to the vote the amendment was lost.

Councillor R.J.T. Guest proposed an amendment that no change be made to how the Chair of the Licensing Committee be allocated. This was seconded by Councillor R.B. Jones. When put to the vote the amendment was lost.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the revised terms of reference for the Audit Committee, as set out in the report, be agreed;
- (b) That delegated authority be given to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to devise the precise wording of the terms of reference for the Audit Committee, and Democratic Services Committee in light of the statutory guidance due to be issued by the Welsh Government;
- (c) That delegated authority be given to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to revise the terms of reference for the Constitution Committee;
- (d) That the terms of reference for the Constitution Committee be amended to enable the Committee to examine and consider the creation of and amendment of byelaws for Flintshire;
- (e) That the existing terms of reference for all other Committees be confirmed; and
- (f) That the position of Chair of the Licensing Committee not be given to the largest opposition group.

(D) Political Balance – Annual Review

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the Annual Meeting was required to decide the allocation of seats to political groups in accordance with the Political Balance Rules contained in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 as amended.

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the County Council confirm the allocation of seats as outlined in Option 1 of the report and the Committees as follows:-

- A = Lifelong Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- B = Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- C = Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- D = Social and Health Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- E = Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- F = Community Profile and Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The proposal was seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge.

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services explained the need for the Council to determine the allocation of Committee places to the non-aligned Members.

Councillor H.G. Roberts proposed an amendment that the allocation of a Non-Aligned Member on the Lifelong Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee be removed and that a Non-Aligned Member position be added to the Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee. This amendment was seconded by Councillor R. Dolphin. When put to the vote the amendment was lost.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the County Council confirm the allocation of seats as outlined in Option 1 of the report and the Committees as follows:-
 - A = Lifelong Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - B = Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - C = Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - D = Social and Health Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - E = Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - F = Community Profile and Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- (b) That Councillor H.G. Roberts be appointed to the Planning Committee; and
- (c) That Councillor H.D. Hutchinson be appointed to the remaining Committees granted to non-aligned Members.

(E) Appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Standing Committees

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that Council Procedure Rule 1.1 required the appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Standing Committees with the exception of the Standards Committee.

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the County Council suspend Council Procedure Rule 1.1 for the meeting and also that the following Members be appointed Chairs of the Standing Committees:-

- Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairman – Councillor R.G. Hampson
- Lifelong Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairman – Councillor I.B. Roberts
- Social and Health Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chair – Councillor C.A. Ellis
- Licensing Committee

Chairman – Councillor L.A. Sharps

• Planning and Development Control Committee Chairman – Councillor D.E. Wisinger

Councillor Shotton also proposed that the Chair of the Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee be allocated by the Liberal Democrat Group. That the Chair of the Community Profile and Partnerships Committee be allocated by the Independent Alliance Group. That the Chair of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee be allocated by the Conservative Group. That the Chair of the Audit Committee be determined by the Audit Committee and that the Vice-Chairs of the Standing Committees be determined at the first meeting of each of the Committees. The proposals were seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge.

Councillor H.J. McGuill proposed that Councillor R.J.T. Guest be appointed Chair of the Constitution Committee and Democratic Services Committee. This was seconded by Councillor C.J. Dolphin.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the County Council suspend Council Procedure Rule 1.1 for the meeting;
- (b) That the following Members be appointed Chair of the Standing Committees as indicated below:-
 - Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairman – Councillor R.G. Hampson
 - Lifelong Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairman – Councillor I.B. Roberts
 - Social and Health Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chair – Councillor C.A. Ellis
 - Licensing Committee Chairman – Councillor L.A. Sharps
 - Planning and Development Control Committee Chairman – Councillor D.E. Wisinger
 - **Constitution Committee** Chairman – Councillor R.J.T. Guest
 - Democratic Services Committee Chairman – Councillor R.J.T. Guest
- (c) That the Chair of the Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee be allocated to the Liberal Democrat Group;

- (d) That the Chair of the Community Profile and Partnerships Committee be allocated to the Independent Alliance Group;
- (e) That the Chair of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee be allocated to the Conservative Group;
- (f) That the Chair of the Audit Committee be determined by the Audit Committee; and
- (g) That the Vice-Chairs of the Standing Committees be determined at the first meeting of each of the Committees.

(F) Local Choice Issues

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the Council was required to agree such parts of the Scheme of Delegation which related to those local choice functions which could be decided either by the Council or the Executive and/or delegated to Officers.

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the existing Local Choice Issues as detailed in the report be confirmed. This was seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge.

RESOLVED:

That the existing Local Choice Issues as detailed in the report be confirmed.

(G) <u>Nomination to Internal Bodies</u>

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the existing Scheme of Delegation provided for an Appointments Committee for First and Second Tier Officers comprising of 7 Members. This was not a Standing Committee and was convened when required by seeking nominations from Group Leaders. Previously it had been usual for Committee Members to be politically balanced including the relevant Executive Member. At last year's Annual Meeting it was agreed that the Chair or Vice Chair of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee be one of the Members of the Committee. It was recommended that the Council continue the previous practice.

In light of the recent implementation of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 it was also recommended that the various internal bodies be reviewed by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services in consultation with Group Leaders with a report to be submitted to the Constitution Committee and Council in due course.

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the Council support the recommendations as detailed in the report. This was seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the appointment of an Appointments Committee, as detailed in section 8.01 of the report, be agreed; and
- (b) That a review of internal bodies be undertaken by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services in consultation with Group Leaders, with a further report to be submitted to the Constitution Committee and Council in due course.

(H) <u>Nominations to Outside Bodies</u>

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the current list of appointments or vacancies to outside bodies was set out in Appendix B to the report. The Council was recommended to delegate to the Chief Executive in consultation with Group leaders and Non-Aligned Members the appointments to these bodies.

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the appointment of outside bodies be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with Group Leaders and nonaligned Members. This was seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge.

RESOLVED:

That the appointment of outside bodies be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with Group Leaders and non-aligned Members.

(I) <u>Standards Committee</u>

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the Standards Committee included five independent members, a Community Council member and three Councillors not to be the Council Leader or Cabinet Members. Council was asked to determine the three Members.

RESOLVED:

That the following three Members be appointed to the Standards Committee:-

• Councillors: D.L. Cox, H.J. McGuill and A. Woolley.

(J) **Programme of Ordinary Meetings**

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services advised that a programme of ordinary meetings had been approved at the County Council meeting held on 21 February, 2012.

RESOLVED:

That the programme of ordinary meetings of the County Council be noted.

9. <u>APPOINTMENT TO THE POLICE AUTHORITY, THE POLICE AND CRIME</u> <u>PANEL AND THE REGIONAL SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD</u>

The Chief Executive introduced a report to establish a Joint Committee with the upper North Wales Councils to select two representatives to serve on a Joint Committee that would appoint the Police Authority. The report also provided Members with an update on the transition to the new Police and Crime Panel and the Safer Communities Regional Board.

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the Council support the recommendations as outlined within the report and that Councillor G.D. Diskin be appointed to the Joint Committee. Councillor M.J. Peers proposed that Councillor A. Woolley be appointed to the Joint Committee and Councillor C.S. Carver proposed that Councillor N.R. Steele-Mortimer be appointed.

Following discussion, Councillor A. Woolley withdrew his name.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Council appoint a Joint Committee with the six other authorities within the North Wales Police area which will allocate the seats on the North Wales Police Authority;
- (b) That Councillors: G.D. Diskin and N.R. Steele-Mortimer be appointed to the Joint Committee;
- (c) That the Council note that the Councillors appointment to the North Wales Police Authority, if at all possible, also be the representatives on the Police and Crime Panel, with the Chief Executive bringing back a further report if new representatives were required;
- (d) That the Council appoint one Member to the Regional Safer Communities Board delegated to the Chief Executive or Cabinet; and
- (e) That any consequential amendments to the Constitution be made by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

10. <u>REPRESENTATIVES ON THE WELSH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION</u> (WLGA) CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE AND WLGA COUNCIL AND VOTING

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the following Members be appointed to represent Flintshire Council on the WLGA Council:-

• Councillors: A.P. Shotton, J.B. Attridge, R.C. Bithell and L.A. Sharps.

He also proposed that he represent Flintshire County Council on the WLGA Co-ordinating Committee and that Flintshire County Council representatives opt for the method of one person one vote. The proposals were seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge.

RESOLVED:

(a) That the following Members be appointed to represent Flintshire County Council on the WLGA Council:-

- Councillors: A.P. Shotton, J.B. Attridge, R.C. Bithell and L.A. Sharps.
- (b) That Councillor A.P. Shotton represent Flintshire County Council on the WLGA Co-ordinating Committee; and
- (c) That Flintshire County Council representatives opt for the method of one person one vote.

11. SCHEDULE OF MEMBER REMUNERATION

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services presented a report to seek Council's approval of the schedule of Member remuneration.

At the Council meeting held on 31 January, 2012 it had been decided that the appropriate mileage rate for travel by car should remain at 40p per mile, that this should not be payable for constituency mileage and that the maximum reimbursement for London hotel expenditure should be £150 per night. These decisions had been incorporated into the schedule of Member remuneration attached at Appendix A of the report.

One of the issues outstanding was to determine the posts that would be eligible for senior salaries. The number of such posts had been limited to a maximum of 18 excluding the civic allowances paid to the Council's Chair and Vice-Chair. The posts eligible for senior salaries were shown in Appendix 2 of the schedule of Member remuneration.

Councillor A.P. Shotton proposed that the schedule of Member remuneration be approved and that the following posts be eligible for senior salaries at the amounts shown in the report:-

- Leader of the Council
- Deputy Leader of the Council
- Cabinet Members x 6
- Chairman of the Planning and Development Control Committee
- Chair of the Audit Committee
- Chairman of the Licensing Committee
- Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees x 6
- Chair of the Clwyd Pension Fund Panel

The proposal was seconded by Councillor J.B. Attridge.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the schedule of Member remuneration shown in Appendix A of the report be approved; and
- (b) That the following posts be eligible for senior salaries/special responsibility allowances at the amounts shown in the report :-
 - Leader of the Council
 - Deputy Leader of the Council

- Cabinet Members x 6
- Chair of the Planning and Development Control Committee
- Chair of the Audit Committee
- Chair of the Licensing Committee
- Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees x 6
- Chair of the Clwyd Pension Fund Panel

12. DURATION OF MEETING

The meeting commenced at 11.00 a.m. and ended at 1.17 p.m.

13. ATTENDANCE BY MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were four members of the press and ten members of the public present.

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Chair