

Minutes of a meeting of the Constitution Committee held at County Hall, Glenfield on Wednesday, 6 September 2006.

PRESENT

Mr. D. R. Parsons CC (in the Chair)

Mr. Mike Jones CC
Mr. N. J. Rushton CC

Prof. M. E. Preston CC
Mr. R. M. Wilson CC

9. Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 30 June 2006 were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

10. Question Time.

The Chief Executive reported that no questions had been asked under Standing Order 35.

11. Questions asked under Standing Order 7(3) and (5).

The Chief Executive reported that no questions had been asked under Standing Order 7(3) and 7(5).

12. Urgent items.

There were no items of urgent business.

13. Declarations of Interest.

All members present declared personal non-prejudicial interests in respect of the item on Members' Allowances 2005/06 (minute 15 refers).

14. Review and Revision of the Constitution and Authorisation of Officers.

The Committee considered a report of the Chief Executive recommending further changes to the County Council's Constitution in the light of experience. A copy of the report marked 'B' is filed with these minutes.

RESOLVED:

That the County Council be recommended:-

- (a) to approve the proposed changes to the Constitution as set out in Appendix 1 to the report;
- (b) to designate formally two members of the Cabinet respectively as Lead

Member for the Children and Young People's Service and Lead Member for Adult Social Care;

- (c) to agree in respect of the proper officer functions and other delegated powers and functions allocated to the Chief Executive and County Solicitor, that the following offices be authorised to act:-

Director of Corporate Management
County Solicitor (in own right on behalf of Chief Executive)
Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning)
Head of Democratic Services and Administration
Head of Legal Services
Head of Human Resources
Head of Public Relations
Head of Youth Justice and Safer Communities
Head of Partnerships and Diversity

15. Members' Allowances 2005/06.

The Committee considered a report of the Chief Executive informing the Committee of action taken to publicise the level of payments on members' allowances for 2005/06. A copy of the report marked 'C' is filed with these minutes.

RESOLVED:

That the action taken by the Chief Executive to publicise the level of payments on members' allowances in 2005/06 be noted and that the details be published with the minutes of this meeting in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.

11.00 a.m. – 11.14 p.m.
6 September 2006.

CHAIRMAN

