

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26TH JUNE 2003

BOROUGH OF SPELTHORNE

AT THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SPELTHORNE, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, KNOWLE GREEN, STAINES ON THURSDAY 26TH JUNE, 2003 AT 7.30PM

Amos Mrs P C	Forsbrey G E	Paton J M
Ayers F	Fullbrook J	Pinkerton J D
Bain Miss M	Hirst A P	Ponton Mrs J E
Beardsmore I J	Hyams Mrs M	Royer M R
Bhadye S	Jaffer H R	Searancke E J
Bouquet M L	James P R	Sider R W
Ceaser G S (Mayor)	Langridge-John Mrs J B	Spencer Mrs C L
Colinson-Crawford R B	Leighton Mrs V J	Strong C V
Culnane E K	Madams Mrs M J	Trussler G F (Deputy Mayor)
Davies F (Leader)	O'Hara E	Wood-Dow Mrs J M
D'Sa R V	Packman J D (Deputy Leader)	

G S Ceaser, Mayor, in the Chair

159/03 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K Chouhan, Mrs D L Grant, S B S Lorch, Mrs I Napper, Mrs J E Pinkerton, Mrs D Turner and Mrs P Weston.

160/03 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the annual meeting held on 13th May 2003 be approved as a correct record, subject to the name of "Jeannette" in minute 112/03 being substituted for the name of "Jean".

161/03 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor H. R. Jaffer disclosed a personal interest in Planning Applications numbered 00297 and 00298 of the Planning Committee meeting held on 25th June 2003.

162/03 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR, THE LEADER AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

(a) Announcements by The Mayor

Penrose Club

The Mayor announced that the Penrose Club, which was heavily reliant on volunteer support and catered for the social needs of around 80 members who met at their premises in Ashford, had been awarded the prestigious Queens Golden Jubilee award by the Lord Lieutenant of Surrey at a ceremony at County Hall on 18th June.

Spelthorne Fun Day

The Mayor reminded Members of the Spelthorne Fun Day on 13th July, and asked that anyone wishing to volunteer their help contact him.

(b) Announcements by The Leader

The Leader announced that both the Sunbury and Spelthorne Leisure Centres had been awarded the "QUEST" accreditation which was a UK industry quality standard for sports and leisure.

On behalf of the Council he congratulated both staff and management of the Leisure Centres and asked that this be passed on.

(c) Announcements by Chief Executive

Open Evening

The Chief Executive reminded Members that as part of their induction programme there would be an open evening at the Knowle Green Offices on 17th July for all Members, which offered an opportunity to meet staff and find out about key areas of the Council's work.

IDEA Peer Review

She also reminded Members that as part of the first stage of the Comprehensive Performance Assessment there would be an IDEA Peer Review from 21st to 23rd July.

163/03 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

Affordable Housing Policy

The Council considered a recommendation from the Executive on a formal alteration to Policies H5 and H6 of the Local Plan and agreement to the provision of draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on Affordable Housing.

RESOLVED that the Council: -

- (a) Note the extent and outcome of the pre-deposit consultations on Policies H5 and H6 and the consequent amendment to Policy H6 and agree that a statement on pre-deposit consultation be published.
- (b) Agree the draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on Affordable Housing for public consultation at the same time as the first Deposit stage for the proposed Local Plan alterations.
- (c) Agree the draft Local Plan alterations to Policies H5 and H6 as set out in Appendix A and that:
 - (i) A Certificate of Conformity of the changes with the Surrey Structure Plan be sought from Surrey County Council.
 - (ii) Subject to satisfactory issue of a Certificate, the proposed Local Plan alterations be placed on first Deposit.
- (d) Agree that the draft alterations to Policies H5 and H6 of the Local Plan and the Supplementary Planning Guidance be used in determining all new relevant planning applications submitted after the date of the Executive [i.e. 27th May 2003].
- (e) Agree that the Technical Background document be published at the same time as the draft Local Plan alteration and the draft SPG.

Spelthorne Best Value Performance Plan 2003-2004

The Council considered a recommendation from the Executive on the Council's Best Value Performance Plan for 2003-2004.

RESOLVED that the Council note the key priorities for the Council listed in the Spelthorne Best Value Performance Plan 2003/2004 and approve the plan for immediate adoption.

Statement of Accounts for 2002/2003

The Council considered a recommendation from the Executive on the Council's Financial Statement of Accounts for 2002/2003.

RESOLVED that the Council approve the Council's Statement of Accounts for 2002/2003 and agree that these Accounts be signed by the Leader of the Council.

164/03 REPORT FROM THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

The Leader of the Council, Councillor F. Davies, presented his report which outlined the various matters the Executive had dealt with since the last Council meeting.

165/03 IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Improvement and Development Committee, Councillor A. P. Hirst, presented his report which outlined the matters the Committee had dealt with since the last Council meeting.

166/03 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT AND REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Performance Management and Review Committee, Councillor Mrs M. Hyams, presented her report which outlined the matters the Committee had dealt with since the last Council meeting.

167/03 PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Planning Committee, Councillor E. O'Hara, presented his report which outlined the matters the Committee had dealt with since the last Council meeting.

168/03 LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Licensing Committee, Councillor R. W. Sider, presented his report which outlined the matters the Committee had dealt with since the last Council meeting.

169/03 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

- (1) **Laleham Charities – Laleham Village Hall and Laleham Recreation Ground**

RESOLVED that Mr Alexander Jones be appointed as a Representative Trustee of Laleham Charities - Laleham Village Hall and Laleham Recreation Ground, until 26th June 2007.

- (2) **Sunbury Welfare Trust**

RESOLVED that The Rev, David McDougall, vicar at St. Saviour's Church, Sunbury, be appointed to serve as the Nominative Trustee of the Sunbury Welfare Trust until 26th June 2007.