

# Minutes

**Meeting of** : The Council  
**Meeting held in** : The Auditorium, City Hall, Malthouse Lane, Salisbury  
**Date** : Monday 23 June 2008

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## Present

Councillor I D McLennan - **Chairman**  
Councillor C G Mills - **Vice-Chairman**

**Councillors:** R Britton, Ms J V Broom, D W Brown, Mrs E A Chettleburgh, P M Clegg, R J Clewer, I C Curr, B E Dalton, Mrs S L Dennis, C Devine, E R Draper, P D Edge, J M English, Mrs M I Evans, S R Fear, M G Fowler, M A Hewitt, Mrs C R Hill, J P King, Ms J F Launchbury, M D Lee, D J Luther, Mrs H McKeown, I M Mitchell, W R Moss, J C Noeken, M J Osment, D O Parker, L Randall, A C Roberts, J C Robertson, B M Rycroft, P W L Sample, J F Smale, A A P Thorpe, I R Tomes, Miss M A Tomlinson, C R Vincent, I C West, F Westmoreland, K C Wren and G Wright

Apologies were received from R A Beattie, K A Cardy, J A Cole-Morgan, Mrs J A Green, J Holt, S J Howarth, G E Jeans, Mrs C J M Morrison, Mrs C A Spencer, J R G Spencer and J M Walsh

## Officers:

Manjeet Gill (Chief Executive), Stewart Agland and Tom Bray (Democratic Services), Alan Osborne (Head of Financial Services), John Crawford (Head of Legal and Property Services)

### 149. Declarations of Interest:

There were none.

### 150. Public Questions/Statement Time:

There were none.

### 151. Minutes:

**Resolved** - that the minutes of the annual meeting held on Monday 19 May 2008 (previously circulated) and the special meeting held on 2 June 2008 be approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

### 152. Chairman's Announcements:

The Chairman congratulated Jane Fry, who has been awarded an MBE in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours List. Jane is Manager of Salisbury Tourist Information Centre and received the award for services to the tourism industry in the south west.



**Awarded in:**  
Housing Services  
Waste and Recycling Services



The Chairman commended the Parks Team who had put together the impressive floral arrangement in Queen Elizabeth Gardens to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Salisbury Parkinsons Disease Society.

The Chairman announced that he had opened the Schools Environment Day and congratulated the Officers involved in making it a valuable and memorable day. He also drew Members' attention to the 'Inspired by Stonehenge' exhibition taking place in the Cathedral Close and urged Members to visit the exhibition.

The Chairman wished Councillor John Cole-Morgan well in his recovery and noted that he is now back at home with his family and also noted that Councillor Wren was regularly attending Full Council after his time out due to illness and wished him well.

**153. Cabinet Recommendations:**

**a. Corporate and Transition Plan 2008/9: Councillor Sample**

The Council considered the Cabinet's recommendation from its meeting on 18 June 2008 (Minute 213) together with the previously circulated report of the Chief Executive.

Members discussed a number of issues contained within the report. When specifically stated by a Cabinet member, questions not answered during meeting would be given a full reply within a 10 working day period after the meeting.

Relating to page 17 of the report, the Leader of the Council informed Council that he had requested a meeting of the Salisbury Joint Transportation Committee to which Wiltshire County Council had declined stating that there are no items that need consideration.

Relating to page 18 of the report and specifically the discussion on violent crime at the meeting, the Chief Executive stated that she would liaise with the members of the Community Safety Partnership and a report on Community Safety issues would go before Cabinet in September.

Relating to page 19 of the report, Members congratulated Andy Cook on his good work over the years as a coach with Salisbury City FC.

**Resolved** – that the Corporate and Transition Plan be adopted.

**b. Annual Statement of Accounts 2007/08: Councillor Roberts**

The Council considered the Cabinet's recommendation from its meeting on 18 June 2008 (Minute 214) together with the previously circulated report of the Head of Financial Services.

**Resolved** – that the Statement of Accounts for the financial year ended 31 March 2008 be approved.

The Chairman agreed to take the following Cabinet recommendation from its meeting held on 28 April 2008 as urgent business.

**c. Salisbury Vision – Adoption Councillor Edge**

The Council considered the Cabinet's recommendation from its meeting on 28 April 2008 (Minute 181) of the Salisbury Vision Project Director, together with the views of the Planning and Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

**Recommended to Full Council on 23 June 2008** – that the Salisbury Vision document detailed in appendix A of the previously circulated report, including the additional information outlined in paragraph 1.5, be adopted as a key strategic document; subject to:

- (1) Any views expressed by the Environment and Transport Overview and Scrutiny Panel, such views to be incorporated in the Cabinet's recommendation to Council if they are firstly approved by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader, Deputy Leader and Cabinet members for Economic Development and Tourism and Transport;
- (2) Any comments from the Implementation Executive meeting on 22 May, that Full Council agree to incorporate into the final document.

In respect of recommendation (1) above the report of the Environment and Transport OSP sub-group has now been studied by the Chief Executive, the Leader, Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holders for Economic Development and Transport and as a result they have agreed to make a number of changes to the final Salisbury Vision document, which have been incorporated in the previously circulated document. The sub-group's report was also considered by the Salisbury Vision steering group which endorsed the changes and they asked that their thanks be recorded to the sub-group, for what was an excellent critique of the Vision's transport proposals.

In respect of recommendation (2) the Implementation Executive considered this matter on 17 June 2008 (having deferred it from the 22 May) and endorsed the strategy and vision but has called for further reports (the extract minute was circulated at the meeting).

**Resolved** – that the recommendations as amended be adopted.

**154. Audit Committee Recommendation: Annual Governance Statement 2007/08: Councillor McLennan**

The Council considered the previously circulated recommendation of the Audit Committee from its meeting held on 18 June 2008 (minute 66) and the previously circulated report of the Chief Executive.

**Resolved** – that the Annual Governance Statement 2007/08 and the revised Code of Governance be adopted.

**155. Standards Committee Recommendation: Local Determination of Complaints: Councillor Mills**

The Council considered the previously circulated recommendation of the Standards Committee from its meeting held on 16 June 2008

**Resolved** – that the role and function of the Committee be amended as set out in paragraph 3 of the report.

**156. Questions on Cabinet Decisions taken since the last Council Meeting:**

Members raised a number of questions in connection with those matters that had been considered by the Cabinet on 18 June 2008. There were no questions raised that required further action.

**157. Project and Policy Progress Reports:**

There were no project or policy progress reports to consider.

**158. Reports of other Committees/Panels on which questions were asked:**

There were none.

**159. Call In Matters:**

There were none.

**160. Questions to the Council Chairman, Cabinet Member, Chairman of any Committee - on any matters not on the agenda in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affects the District:**

There were none.

**161. Exempt Business:**

Since there were no questions arising it was not necessary to move into exempt business.

*The meeting finished at: 7.55 pm  
Members of the public: 3*