# WEST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL



MINUTES of the Meeting of the Challenge and Improve Committee held in the Council Chamber - The Guildhall, Marshall's Yard, Gainsborough, DN21 2NA on 8 May 2017 commencing at 8.10 pm.

| Present:   | Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence (Chairman of Council) (In the Chair)  |
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|  | Councillor David Bond<br>Councillor Ian Fleetwood<br>Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan<br>Councillor Mrs Jessie Milne<br>Councillor Malcolm Parish<br>Councillor Roger Patterson<br>Councillor Roger Patterson<br>Councillor Mrs Diana Rodgers<br>Councillor Thomas Smith<br>Councillor Lewis Strange<br>Councillor Mrs Anne Welburn<br>Councillor Mrs Angela White |
| <b>In Attendance:</b><br>Manjeet Gill<br>Alan Robinson<br>Dinah Lilley | Chief Executive<br>SL - Democratic and Business Support<br>Governance and Civic Officer  |
| Apologies:   | Councillor Trevor Young  |

# 1 TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN FOR THE CIVIC YEAR

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the 2017/18 civic year.

Councillor Howitt-Cowan took the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

### 2 TO AGREE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO VICE CHAIRMEN

**RESOLVED** that two Vice Chairmen be appointed to the Committee

# 3 POINT OF ORDER

A point of order was raised in that Councillor Trevor Young had been appointed as the Leader of the Opposition, and the Constitution set out that this position was one which could not also be appointed to membership of the Challenge and Improvement Committee. Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules Part V, page 23 paragraph 2.1.

It was not possible to change the membership of the committee as that had been confirmed during the meeting of full Council, which had closed. Only a meeting of the full Council could change Committee membership, therefore this matter would have to be presented at the next meeting on 3 July 2017.

The Challenge and Improvement Committee therefore adjourned at 8.11pm for the opposition group to consider the next steps.

The meeting reconvened at 8.35pm and it was agreed that Councillor Lesley Rollings would substitute for Councillor Young at the Committee meetings on 23 May and 27 April 2017.

As substitute, Councillor Rollings would not be able to be appointed to the Vice Chairman position, as had been the intention. Appointment to the Vice Chair would have to be confirmed once the committee membership was established.

### 4 TO ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE CIVIC YEAR

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Lewis Strange be appointed Vice-Chairman (Progress and Delivery) for the 2017/18 civic year.

# 5 TO ELECT A FURTHER VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE CIVIC YEAR

Appointment of a second Vice Chairman was deferred until such time as the Committee membership be established.

### 6 TO DETERMINE THE NORMAL COMMENCEMENT TIME OF MEETINGS

**RESOLVED** that the meetings of the Committee will normally commence at 6.30 pm.

The meeting concluded at 8.46 pm.

Chairman