

# TANDRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## FULL COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Full Council held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Station Road East, Oxted on the 14 December 2023 at 7:30pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Botten (Chair), Sue Farr (Vice-Chair), Allen, Bilton, Black, Blackwell, Bloore, Chotai, Cooper, Crane, Damesick, Evans, Chris Farr, Gillman, Gray, Groves, Hammond, Alun Jones, Langton, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, North, O'Driscoll, Patel, Pinard, Prew, Pursehouse, Robinson, Sayer, Shiner, Steeds, Colin White, Nicholas White, Windsor and Wren

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Councillors Booth, Gaffney, Anna Jones, Sharp and Smith

### **193. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 19 OCTOBER 2023**

The minutes were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### **194. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Fundraising and events

The Chair had held his Civic Day on Wednesday 22 November. He had been joined by Chairman and Majors from other local authorities in Surrey, the Vice Chair, several Honorary Aldermen, the Leader of the Council, the Chief Executive and a number of long serving Officers. Talks were held on the history of the Caterham Barracks Community Trust, local government financing and the Council's House Building Programme. At the event, the Chair paid tribute to Honorary Alderman Robin Clements for over 50 years of public service.

The Chair referred to recent events he had attended including the Soper Hall Christmas Fair, the Warlingham Christmas Lights switch on, and the Council's Staff Awards ceremony. He invited Members and the public to attend his band night at The Arc, Caterham on 27 January 2024, where Iron Tyger would be playing.

The Chair announced he had made a Christmas donation to East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service rather than sending Christmas cards.

### **195. TO DEAL WITH ANY QUESTIONS SUBMITTED UNDER STANDING ORDER 30**

Questions had been submitted by Councillors O'Driscoll and Cooper. The questions and responses are attached at Appendix A.

## 196. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

**RESOLVED** – that the reports of the following meetings be received, and the recommendations therein be adopted:

**Planning Committee** – 2 November 2023

**Standards Committee** – 7 November 2023

**Community Services Committee** – 9 November 2023

**Planning Policy Committee** – 16 November 2023

**Housing Committee** – 23 November 2023

**Audit & Scrutiny Committee** – 28 November 2023

**Strategy & Resources Committee** – 30 November 2023

### **Minute 192 – Proposed New Shop Letting at Quadrant House**

The Strategy & Resources Committee had recommended that the letting be approved subject to improvements to the service road being negotiated before final agreement to mitigate any traffic issues.

Councillor Cooper, supported by the requisite number of other Members as required by Standing Order 13(4), requested that the recommendation be the subject of a recorded vote. The result of the vote was as follows:

#### **For**

Councillors Allen, Black, Blackwell, Bloore, Crane, Damesick, Chris Farr, Sue Farr, Gillman, Langton, Montgomery, Pinard, Prew, Pursehouse, Sayer, Shiner, Colin White, Nicholas White and Wren (19)

#### **Against**

Councillors Bilton, Botten, Chotai, Cooper, Evans, Gray, Groves, Alun Jones, Lee, North, O'Driscoll, Patel and Robinson (13)

#### **Abstain**

Councillors Hammond, Moore and Windsor (3)

Rising 9.47 pm