

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co. Durham on 26th October, 2009.

Present: Councillor G M R Howe
Councillors A Hammond, T Bannister, A Walker, G Huntington, G Lewis,
V Chapman, P Quinn, H Nicholson and B Stoker.

TC 71/09 Public Question Time

There were no questions from members of the public.

TC 72/09 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors G Swinbank, S Bird, F Timmiss,
L Iddon, M Hardy and D Hancock.

TC 73/09 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

TC 74/09 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting

Resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28th
September 2009 be approved and adopted.

TC 75/09 Committees

Resolved that the minutes of the following Committees be approved and
adopted:-

- a) Service & Amenities - 12th October 2009
- b) Resouces - 12th October 2009

TC 76/09 Police Report

There were no Police in attendance at the meeting.

Resolved that a Police presence be requested at future meetings of the Town
Council.

TC 77/09 Report from representatives on outside bodies

- a) Minutes of the meeting of the Shildon Children and Young People's
Action Network held on 16th September 2009 – **resolved** that the
minutes be received.
- b) Minutes of the meeting of the Shildon Community Safety Group held
on 16th September 2009 – **resolved** that the minutes be received.
- c) Minutes of the Area Action Partnership Board meeting held on 22nd
July 2009 – **resolved** that the minutes be received.
- d) Minutes of the meeting of the Larger Local Councils Forum held on
24th July 2009 – **resolved** that the minutes be received.

- e) Minutes of the meeting of the Bishop Auckland and Shildon Local Councils Committee held on 24th September 2009 – **resolved** that the Minutes be received.

TC 78/09 Local Councils Charter

An updated version of the Local Councils Charter was presented to the Meeting along with a motion submitted by Sedgefield Town Council to the Annual General Meeting of the County Durham Association of Local Councils.

Resolved (1) That items a - d outlined in the report form the basis of the response to the updated Charter.

(2) That the motion submitted by Sedgefield Town Council to the Annual General meeting of the County Durham Association of Local Councils'urging the County Council to actively involve the town and parish councils in all county bodies and to re-affirm their commitment to the Charter' be seconded by Shildon Town Council (if required).

TC 79/09 County Durham Association of Local councils Annual General Meeting

Resolved (1) That Cllr H Nicholson be appointed as a substitute to attend the Annual General meeting of the County Durham Association of Local Councils.

(2) That Cllr W Waters be supported for the position of Vice-President.

TC 80/09 Appreciations and Congratulations

Resolved that the schedule of mayoral engagements be noted.

TC81/09 Training Event for Parish Councils : Durham County Council Standards Committee

Resolved that Cllr G Howe accompany the Town Clerk to the event on Wednesday, 4th November.