## 1 : BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## MINUTES

Minutes of the annual meeting of the Buckinghamshire County Council convened and held on Thursday, 28 June 2001 in the Ireland Room at County Hall, Aylesbury, commencing at 10.00 am and concluding at 10.30 am

## PRESENT

Mr K I Ross (Chairman of the Council) in the Chair;
Mrs A R Bainbridge (Vice-Chairman of the Council)
Mr B G Allen, Mr M C Appleyard, Mrs C M Aston, Mrs M A M Aston, Mrs P M Bacon, Mrs M A Baldwin, Mr I S Bates, Mr R H StG Carey, Mr J W Cartwright, Mr W J Y Chapple, Mrs L M Clarke, Mrs P M Clayton, Mr M R Colston, Mrs P M Crawford, Mrs A C Davies, Mrs P M A Dewar, Mr F Downes, Mr T J Fowler, Mr D C T Graves, Mr D A B Green, Miss L K Hazell, Mr A Huxley, Mrs B H Jennings, Mrs G A Jones, Mr C Jones, Mr P M Lawrence, Mrs E M Lay, Mrs V A Letheren, Mr W G Lidgate, Mrs P R Lindsley, Mr R Lingham-Wood, Mrs C C Martens, Mr D G Meacock, Mr M B Oram, Mr R C Pushman, Mrs F D Roberts MBE, Mr P J Roberts, Mr C F Robinson OBE Mr P Rogerson, Mr D J Rowlands, Mr R S Royston, Mr D A C Shakespeare OBE, Mr F V J Sweatman, Mr M W Taylor, Kathie Webber, Mrs P R Wilkinson, Mrs C S Willetts, Mr H G W Wilson and Mr R K Woollard

## 1 REPORT OF RETURNING OFFICER

The report of the Returning Officer was noted.

## 2 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The outgoing Chairman of the Council, Mr K I Ross, called for nominations for election of Chairman for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED: That Mr R Lingham-Wood be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

## MR R LINGHAM-WOOD IN THE CHAIR

In accepting the office of Chairman, Mr Lingham-Wood paid tribute to the outgoing Chairman of the Council Mr K I Ross, his wife, Mrs N Ross, and the outgoing ViceChairman of the Council Mrs A R Bainbridge.

## 3 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

## RESOLVED: That Mrs C M Aston be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

## 4 ELECTION OF LEADER

RESOLVED: That Mr D A C Shakespeare OBE be elected Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

## 5 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 24 May 2001, copies of which had been circulated, were confirmed.

## 6 PETITIONS

Two petitions were presented:-

Mr J W Cartwright presented a petition from residents of Upper Winchendon regarding a request for speed reduction measures.

Mr C Jones presented a petition on behalf of residents of Limes Avenue, Aylesbury, regarding the need for speed restrictions.

## 7 COMMUNICATIONS

## Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr S Kennell, Mr K Liversiedge, Mr J S Ryman, Dr B R Stenner and Julia Wassell.

## Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman of Council congratulated Mr D A C Shakespeare on his award of the OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List and also congratulated Mrs Averil Wilkinson, a teacher at John Colet School in Wendover, on her award of the MBE.

## 9 REPORT OF LEADER

Mr Shakespeare presented an oral report. He named the Members of his Cabinet as follows:-

Deputy Leader - Mr W J Y Chapple
Cabinet Member for Children and Young People - Mrs M A M Aston
Cabinet Member for Care Services for Adults - Mr R H StG Carey
Cabinet Member for Schools - Mrs M P Clayton
Cabinet Member for Community Services - Mrs P M A Dewar
Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation - Mr R S Royston
Cabinet Member for Resources - Mr M W Taylor

## 10 WORK PROGRAMME FOR OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY 2001/2002

The Chief Officer of the Council presented his report on the work programme for overview and scrutiny 2001/2002.

RESOLVED:

That the work programme for overview and scrutiny for 2001/2002 as attached at Appendix A in the Blue Book be agreed on the understanding that individual Committees have the ability to vary it if other more urgent or pressing issues are subsequently identified.

## 11 REPORT OF THE HEAD OF SECRETARIAT

The Head of Secretariat presented his report on the size and membership of Committees.

RESOLVED

1 That the aggregate allocation of Committee seats to the three party groups on the County Council be as follows:-

| Conservative | 66 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Liberal Democrat | 15 |
| Labour | 8 |

2 That the number of seats on each Committee allocated to each group be as set out in the table below and that the size of each Committee be confirmed accordingly;

| Committee | Size | Cons | Lib <br> Dem | Lab |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Buckinghamshire <br> Environment | 10 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| Personal Care | 10 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| Lifelong Learning | 13 | 10 | 2 | 1 |
| Partnership | 10 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| Corporate Performance | 10 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| Development Control | 10 | $8(7)$ | $1(2)$ | 1 |
| Regulatory | 7 | $6(5)$ | 1 | $0(1)$ |
| Appeals and Complaints | 5 | $3(4)$ | 1 | $1(0)$ |
| Rights of Way | 7 | $6(5)$ | 1 | $0(1)$ |
| Senior Appointments and <br> Bucks Pay Award | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 9}$ | $\mathbf{6 6 ~ ( 6 4 )}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 ( 1 6 )}$ | $\mathbf{8 ( 9 )}$ |
| Standards | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 |

3 That the principles of proportionality as indicated in Appendix 1 to the Blue Book, shown in the table below, are broadly applied to Policy Advisory Groups and other Member bodies wherever possible.

| Size | Conservative | Lib Dem | Labour |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No of Seats | 40 | 9 | 5 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| 9 | 7 | 1 | 1 |
| 10 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| 11 | 8 | 2 | 1 |
| 12 | 9 | 2 | 1 |
| 13 | 10 | 2 | 1 |
| 14 | 10 | 2 | 1 |
| 15 | 11 | 3 | 1 |

## 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no Notices of Motion received on this occasion.

