



Minutes

Name of meeting	FULL COUNCIL
Date and Time	WEDNESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2020 COMMENCING AT 5.00 PM
Venue	VIRTUAL (MS TEAMS)
Present	Cllrs G Cameron (Chairman), S Smart (Vice-Chairman), B Abraham, D Andre, A Axford, R Barry, P Bertie, M Beston, P Brading, G Brodie, C Chapman, V Churchman, R Downer, P Fuller, A Garratt, S Hastings, S Hendry, J Hobart, R Hollis, J Howe, S Hutchinson, J Jones-Evans, J Kilpatrick, M Lilley, K Love, J Medland, C Mosdell, M Murwill, J Nicholson, G Peace, L Peacey-Wilcox, M Price, C Quirk, I Stephens, D Stewart, B Tyndall, I Ward and W Whittle
Apologies	Cllrs T Outlaw and G Perks

10. To elect a Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

The Vice Chairman took the chair for this item.

The names of Councillor George Cameron and Councillor Shirley Smart were separately moved and seconded. However, Councillor Smart declined to accept the nomination. Following the vote, it was

RESOLVED:

THAT Councillor George Cameron be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Councillor Cameron thanked Members for their support and appointed Archdeacon Peter Leonard as the Chairman's Chaplain and Sue Morgan as Consort.

11. To elect a Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

Councillor Shirley Smart was proposed and seconded as Vice Chairman of the Council. There were no further nominations. Following the vote, it was:

RESOLVED:

THAT Councillor Shirley Smart be elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing Council year.

12. **Minutes**

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 15 July 2020 be approved.

13. **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Michael Lilley declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute number 19 as he was a director/trustee of Wight Community Energy social enterprise.

14. **Chairman's Official Announcements**

A written report had been circulated for information. The Chairman advised that there was an error contained in his report the Archdeacon would represent him as chaplain.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Chairman's official announcements be noted.

15. **Leaders Annual Report**

The Leader presented the annual report for 2019/20 the report reflected the achievements made in the last year and ambitions for the year ahead, which included keeping people safe during this time. The achievements in each Cabinet Member's portfolio were also included in the report.

Questions were raised requesting the report cover all aspects of council business, including matters that had not gone well, the report also contained a number of acronyms, the Leader advised that he would be happy to work with others to improve the layout of the report. Members had concerns regarding the number of telephone calls being made to the contact centre had fallen during the last few months, it was advised by the Cabinet Member that people were using online services more.

Current consultation on the planning White paper, concerning issues arising, and asked what the Cabinet member was doing regarding some of the proposals included. The Leader advised that regular meetings had taken place with Planning officers and the MP regarding this issue.

The Leader advised that a covid-19 Recovery Plan was now in place outlining key areas such as wellbeing and economic recovery, Venture Quays had now been acquired and investment in new employment was being sought. Major events were being progressed which would provide employment for residents. The Isle help one

stop shop based in County Hall reception was due to be expanded. Many residents needed face to face contact and the Leader was asked when it would be available. The Leader advised that Covid-19 had not gone away and as such it would be provided as soon as possible given the current restrictions.

16. **Appointments, Allowances and Proportionality Issues**

The Chairman asked for agreement to suspend Procedure Rule 15, to allow members to speak more than once on matters contained within the report. A vote was taken the result of which was as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT Procedure Rule 15 be suspended for this item.

Members considered the report of the Monitoring Officer which included Committee proportionality, members allowances and member absences that exceeded six months.

Appointments to External Bodies and Political Proportionality

The Chairman proposed acceptance of the proposed appointments to External Bodies and political proportionality which was duly seconded.

A vote was taken the result of which was as follows:

RESOLVED:

- I. THAT Council agreed to make the appointments contained in Appendix B of the Monitoring Officers report.
- II. THAT Council agreed the representation of different political groups on committees and sub committees contained in the revised Appendix C of the Monitoring Officers report.

Member's Allowance Scheme

There was some discussion regarding the proposed 2.75% increase some members felt it was inappropriate to accept the increase given the current circumstances. It was noted that members had a choice if they accepted an allowance for the work they did as a councillor and that there was a need to attract people to stand as a councillor. Work as a councillor had not stopped during the pandemic.

An amendment to the proposal was moved and duly seconded.

THAT the members allowances for 2020/21 be frozen and the 2.75% not be applied to member allowances.

A vote was taken the result of which was as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT the amendment fell.

A vote was taken on the substantive motion the result of which was as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT the Member's Allowance Scheme for the years 2019/20 and 2020/21 contained in Appendix D of the Monitoring Officers report be adopted.

Approval of member absences that exceed six months

Concerns were raised about automatically extending the period of absence if a Councillor is unable to attend meetings. Members felt this should be reviewed on a case by case basis as it could set a precedent.

A vote was taken the result of which was as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT the recommendation in the Monitoring Officers report, not be adopted.

Appointment of Chairman to Committees and Sub Committees

The Leader had provided a list of proposed appointments to Committees and sub committees which had been circulated to all members, he proposed that the list be voted on en bloc with the exception of the appointment of the Corporate Scrutiny Chairman, this was duly seconded.

The following alternative nominations were made and duly seconded:

Audit Committee – Councillor Reg Barry

Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Children's Services, Education and Skills – Councillor Debbie Andre

Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Adult Social Care and Health – Councillor Michael Lilley

Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and regeneration – Councillor John Medland.

Councillors, Andre, Lilley and Medland duly declined the nominations.

A vote was taken to appoint Chairmen en bloc with the exception of Audit Committee and Corporate Scrutiny Chairman the result of which was as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT the appointment of chairman contained within the Leader's proposed list (attached to and forming part of these minutes) be taken en bloc with the exception of Audit Committee and Corporate Scrutiny.

Nominations were then taken for the appointment of the Chairman for Audit Committee. Councillors Adrian Axford and Reg Barry were moved and duly seconded. Councillor Axford declined the nomination, and following the vote, it was:

RESOLVED:

THAT Councillor Reg Barry be elected as Chairman for Audit Committee for the ensuing year.

Nominations were taken for the appointment of the Chairman for Corporate Scrutiny. Councillors Richard Hollis, Karl Love and Michael Lilley were moved and seconded.

It was noted that if the majority did not exceed 50 per cent of members then the person with the least number of votes would be eliminated and the vote for the remaining two candidates would be taken again, the results of the first vote was:

Councillor Hollis (18)
Councillor Lilley (12)
Councillor Love (5)

As there was no clear majority a second vote between Councillors Hollis and Lilley was taken, the result of the vote was:

RESOLVED:

THAT Councillor Richard Hollis be elected as Chairman of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee for the ensuing year.

17. External Organisations Member Annual Reports

The Chairman advised that there were a number of reports received after the agenda was published (attached to and forming part of these minutes), outstanding reports would be collected and published in due course.

A vote was taken the result of which was as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT the External Organisation Annual reports be noted

18. To approve the following programme of ordinary Council meetings for the ensuing year

The proposed dates for future Council meetings, as listed on the agenda were considered and following the vote it was:

RESOLVED:

THAT the following dates be approved with a 5.00pm start

- 18 November 2020
- 20 January 2021
- 24 February 2021 (Budget Council)
- 26 May 2021 (Annual Council)

19. Motions Submitted under Procedure Rule 11 of the Council's Constitution

By Councillor Michael Lilley

Cllr Lilley moved the following motion which was duly seconded:

- I. Acknowledges the efforts that this council has made to reduce green house gas emissions and promote renewable energy;
- II. Further recognises
 - That very large financial setup and running costs involved in selling locally generated renewable electricity to local customers result in it being impossible for local renewable electricity generators to do so,
 - That making these financial costs proportionate to the scale of a renewable electricity suppliers operation would enable and empower new local businesses, or councils to be providers of locally generated renewable electricity directly to local customers, and
 - That revenues received by new local renewable electricity providers could be used to help improve the local economy, local services and facilities and to reduce local greenhouse gas emissions;
- III. Accordingly resolves to support the Local Electricity Bill, supported by 187 MPs which, if made law, would establish a Right to Local Supply which would promote local renewable electricity supply companies and co-operatives by making the setup and running costs of selling renewable electricity to local customers proportionate to the size and the size of the supply operation; and
- IV. Further resolves to
 - Inform the local media of this decision,
 - Write to local MPs, asking them to support the Bill, and
 - Write to the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, Power for the People, (at 8 Delancey Passage Camden, London, NW1 7NN or info@powerforpeople.org.uk) expressing support.

A vote was taken and the results were as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT the motion fell

By Councillor John Medland

Councillor Medland moved the following motion which was duly seconded.

It has been estimated that as much as 40% of public service spending is on interventions that could have been avoided by prioritising a preventative approach to early years development.

The Wave Trust is an independent organisation whose 70/30 campaign seeks to bring about a 70 per cent reduction in child maltreatment by the year 2030. It proposes a preventative and integrated approach.

This strategy has been endorsed by members from across the Chamber and our Member of Parliament and has already been successfully applied in cities on the Mainland.

This council agrees to promote training in identifying childhood trauma and to use the learning and research on adverse childhood experience to inform change in practice.

Council commits to exploring the Wave Trust's 70/30 approach to see what value this might add to the Council's existing activities to prioritise children's early years and give every child the best possible start in life.

Council will commission Early Years leaders and relevant partners to carry out a feasibility study of this approach for a local pilot project.

Councillor Paul Brading proposed the motion be amended as follows:

THAT this council, through the oversight of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services Education and Skills, and the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Housing Needs, continues developing their relationship with the Wave Trust and their 70/30 approach, recognising the value this is already adding to the Council's existing activities to prioritise children's early years and give every child the best possible start in life.

Council also supports the commissioned and currently on going local pilot project.

The amendment was accepted by Cllr Medland and the seconder and became the substantive motion. A vote was taken the results were as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT That this council, through the oversight of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services Education and Skills, and the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Housing Needs, continues developing their relationship with the

Wave Trust and their 70/30 approach, recognising the value this is already adding to the Council's existing activities to prioritise children's early years and give every child the best possible start in life.

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By Councillor Jones-Evans

Councillor Jones-Evans moved the following motion which was duly seconded

This Council will put the wellbeing of residents at the heart of placemaking in our towns and villages.

Councillor Dave Stewart proposed the motion be amended as follows:

This Council will continue to put the wellbeing of residents at the heart of placemaking in our towns and villages.

The Chairman advised that in accordance with the Councils Constitution Procedure Rule 27 the meeting could not proceed after four hours.

The meeting was closed

CHAIRMAN

Committees and Chairmen – Recommendations from the Leader

(the items *in italics* are not for appointment)

Committee structure	Chairman	Existing Position Holder
<i>Cabinet</i>	<i>Leader, elected at annual council 2017 for four years. The leader has appointed other cabinet members including the deputy leader.</i>	<i>Cllr Dave Stewart</i>
Corporate Scrutiny Committee	Chairman appointed at annual council. Cannot be a member of the Cabinet. The vice chairman is normally appointed by the Committee.	
Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Children’s Services, Education and Skills	Chairman appointed at annual council. Cannot be a member of the Cabinet.	Cllr Vanessa Churchman
Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Health and Social Care	Chairman appointed at annual council. Cannot be a member of the Cabinet.	Cllr John Nicholson
Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration	Chairman appointed at annual council. Cannot be a member of the Cabinet	Cllr Michael Beston
Audit Committee	Chairman appointed at annual council	Cllr Adrian Axford
Planning Committee	Chairman appointed at annual council	Cllr Christopher Quirk
Vice Chairman Planning Committee	Vice Chairman appointed at annual council	Cllr Matthew Price
Licensing Committee	Chairman appointed at annual council	Cllr Charles Chapman
Appeals Committee	Chairman appointed at annual council	Cllr John Kilpatrick
<i>Appointments Committee</i>	<i>Chairman is the Leader</i>	<i>Cllr Dave Stewart</i>
<i>Health and Wellbeing Board</i>	<i>Chairman is the Leader</i>	<i>Cllr Dave Stewart</i>
IW Pension Fund Committee	Chairman appointed at annual council	Cllr Adrian Axford
<i>Harbour Committee</i>	<i>Chairman is the relevant Cabinet member</i>	<i>Cllr Ian Ward</i>

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VISIT ISLE OF WIGHT REPORT – CLLR WAYNE WHITTLE

Visit IOW has done well for the Island this summer considering the circumstances.

The usual Tube station poster campaign was changed to a quality short video film of the island that offered our great outdoors and AONB as an incentive to visit.

The film was shown and shared across social media along with targeted adverts on Sky TV, shown to families within a 200 mile radius from the Isle of Wight.

This proved very successful also aided by fair weather and limited overseas travel options.

Visit IOW has now successfully secured almost £80k funding from the National Cabinet Office for similar targeted adverts for middle aged visitors taking advantage of off-peak visits in September and October and is without doubt the most resource ever put towards Isle of Wight shoulder season advertising.

It will be interesting to see how many decide to visit via public transport and car, although new coach companies have begun to appear already.

Visit IOW also worked with the Isle of Wight Council to make the "We're Good to Go" video that was shown to visitors coming over, welcoming them to our island whilst providing information on how to stay safe during their visit.

This message and parts of the original video was used by Government and rolled out nationally.

The last D-bid levy will need to be collected if we are to advertise our island next year, whilst a new D-bid is put forward for levy payers to vote on and visit IW have been debating and investigating ways to promote and add new incentive for levy payers to buy in for next year's campaign.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Will Myles and his team for their good proactive hard work this year.

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

The Community Safety Partnership has a wide remit which included the following priorities:

- Alcohol and drug related crime
- Anti-social behaviour
- Violent crime
- Protecting vulnerable members of the community
- Support delivery of Prevent
- Reduce reoffending (statutory responsibility of the CSP)
- Road safety

Crime and Disorder Regulations made it a statutory requirement for Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) to prepare an annual Community Safety Strategic Assessment of crime and disorder in their local areas.

Strategic assessments:

- provide a summary of research and analysis on crime, anti-social behaviour and substance misuse
- include information about key trends and emerging issues
- recommend priorities for the CSP
- inform the strategic plan, and
- identify gaps in knowledge which need to be understood and action taken.

Meetings held every 3 months

IW CEP Partnership Agreement - Annual Report

The Isle of Wight Cultural Education Partnership (IWCEP) was formed in response to Arts

Council England's Cultural Education Challenge in 2017. We are a network of leaders from the arts, heritage and education sectors who have committed to work in partnership, adopt a shared approach, be responsive and align our aims and objectives to ensure that all children and young people on the Isle of Wight have access to high quality arts and cultural opportunities

The overarching aim of the Isle of Wight Cultural Education Partnership (IWCEP) is to galvanise the diverse relevant agencies to collectively shape and deliver a richer, more inclusive and far-reaching cultural future for the Island's youth.

MEMBERSHIP

Members are those who agree to the Terms of Reference and the Strategic Action Plan and have signed the CEP Partnership Agreement (which is not a legally binding document, but an agreement to work together to action the aims of the CEP).

The IWCEP will include local cultural organisations, the music education hub, schools, artist educators, FE, HE, voluntary sector organisations, local government, LEPs, social enterprises and private companies.

IWCEP is a strategic body, but its partners may collaborate on projects that individual or groups of its members deliver, for example ACE-funded Lift the Lid on Island Culture.

The current members of the Partnership are: -

- [The New Carnival Company](#)
- [The Isle of Wight Council – Cllr Brading](#)
- [Isle of Wight Heritage Services](#)
- [The Isle of Wight Literary Festival](#)
- [Ventnor Exchange](#)
- [Quay Arts](#)
- [Platform One](#)
- [Isle of Wight Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty](#)
- [Brading Roman Villa](#)
- [Isle of Wight Library Service](#)
- [Isle of Wight Music Hub](#)
- [English Heritage](#)
- [The Shipwreck Centre and Maritime Museum](#)
- [Quay Crafts](#)
- [The Arts Society at Quay Arts](#)
- [The Earth Museum](#)

PURPOSE

The aims and objectives of the IWCEP are to:

- Champion giving children and young people a voice through project work and as an ethos which runs through all CEP member organisations.
- Promote and support delivery of the arts and culture as part of a broad and balanced curriculum
- work through the arts and culture to reduce health and wellbeing inequalities for children and young people deemed to be at risk
- raise aspirations amongst young people, provide transferable skills, open up pre-employment opportunities, creative apprenticeships and well-supported progression routes into the creative and cultural industries
- work with parents, carers and those working with children to embed creative learning from the outset, raising the perceived value of the arts and culture and ensuring that encouragement and support is sustained throughout childhood and adolescence
- IWCEP will be a vehicle for ensuring that opportunities for children and young people to experience and participate in the arts and culture are built into projects.

MEETINGS

IWCEP meets six times per year, and the Executive Committee meets four times per year. Meetings are hosted by CEP member organisation venues in turn, so get a real feel for what each other offers.

Working groups are set up in order to address and organise specific events, and small projects.

PROJECT SUMMARY

A Government funded call Lift the Lid was set up, aimed to reignite a sense of pride and passion in cultural heritage on the Isle of Wight. The programme resulted in offsite artworks within four areas across the Island (Pan/Newport, East Cowes, Totland and Ventnor). Selected by an experienced panel of curators along with cultural partners, the commissioned artists explored the Island's cultural heritage and created contemporary, visionary ways of interpreting it in offsite artworks in unusual places, which were both unexpected and intriguing. In doing so the commissions emphasised the diversity of cultural experiences on the Island, showcasing music, visual arts and dance by encouraging wider participation as well as encouraging new audiences to experience site-specific work by established contemporary artists and performers.

Coinciding with the European Year of Cultural Heritage in 2018 and the Year of the Biosphere in 2019, Lift the Lid aimed to entice new and existing audiences through related workshops, talks, expos, response exhibitions and events and provide new

opportunities for and by young people across the Island. This involved extensive work within schools.

SUMMARY OF KEY ACHIEVEMENTS/OUTCOMES

- 4x site-specific artist commissions were successfully selected and created across 4 areas of the Island in Pan/Newport, Totland, Ventnor and East Cowes.
- • Both live and online/media audiences total 113,189.
- • Between September 2018 to October 2019, 138 education, training or participation sessions were delivered through the programme, reaching a total of 1,693 participants and 4,273 audiences including children, young people, families, artists, teachers, agencies and interested individuals.
- • 117 children and young people achieved an Explore Arts Award to date.
- • Lift the Lid increased capacity for Arts Award delivery with 28 new Arts Award Advisors at Discover and Explore and Bronze and Silver levels.
- • 13 Island Schools have registered for Artsmark Accreditation and have passed, with more expressing an interest on doing this. Gurnard Primary School have been excellent advocates for this across all schools, having been the first school to achieve the Accreditation.
- Staged a CEP conference, with National inspirational speaker Mick Lyons, and input from several schools and exhibitors.

In Summary, the Partnership has achieved a lot since being set up, and there are plans to really push this on with further projects planned, and funding streams available.

Cllr Paul Brading

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