

## **MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **GENERAL PURPOSES GROUP**

#### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27 APRIL 2015**

**Present:**            **Councillors English, Mrs Gooch, Mrs Hinder, Mrs Joy and Mrs Parvin**

44.    **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

It was noted that apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Vizzard and Mrs P Watson.

45.    **NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**

The following Substitute Members were noted:

Councillor English for Councillor Mrs P Watson

Councillor Mrs Joy for Councillor Vizzard

46.    **NOTIFICATION OF VISITING MEMBERS**

There were no visiting Members.

47.    **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Mrs Hinder be elected Chairman for the rest of the Municipal Year 2014-15.

48.    **URGENT ITEMS**

The Chairman stated that, in her opinion, the election of Conservative Party Group Spokesperson should be taken as an urgent item in order that the processes of the Group could continue.

49.    **ELECTION OF CONSERVATIVE GROUP SPOKESPERSON**

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Mrs Parvin be appointed Conservative Group Spokesperson for the rest of the Municipal Year 2014-15.

50.    **DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

There were no disclosures by Members or Officers.

51.    **DISCLOSURES OF LOBBYING**

Councillors English, Mrs Hinder and Mrs Parvin disclosed that they had been lobbied with regard to Agenda Item 9 – Nominations to Outside Bodies.

52. EXEMPT ITEMS

**RESOLVED:** That the items on the Agenda be taken in public as proposed.

53. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 DECEMBER 2014

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Meeting held on 8 December 2014 be agreed as a correct record and signed.

54. NOMINATIONS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

The Group considered the report of the Head of Finance and Resources regarding nominations to Outside Bodies.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That Councillor David Pickett be appointed as the Council's representative on Maidstone Area Arts Partnership for a term of one year commencing 8 April 2015.
2. That Councillor Derek Butler be appointed as the Council's representative on Rochester Bridge Trust for a term of four years commencing 31 May 2015.
3. That nominations continue to be sought for the remaining vacancies.

55. DURATION OF MEETING

10.00 a.m. to 10.10 a.m.