

Minutes



To: All Members of the Council
Chief Executive, Chief Officers

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MINUTES of the Extraordinary Meeting of the County Council held at County Hall, Hertford, on Tuesday, 19 May 2015 at 11.00am.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

D Andrews	R J Henry	R G Prowse
D A Ashley	T C Heritage	S Quilty
J R Barfoot	D J Hewitt	I M Reay
S A Batson	F R G Hill	L F Reeve
S Bedford	N A Hollinghurst	R M Roberts
R H Beeching	T W Hone	P A Ruffles
N Bell	T Hunter	R Sangster
J Billing	T R Hutchings	D T F Scudder
F Button	S L C Johnston	A M R Searing
L A Chesterman	A Joynes	R H Smith
R F Cheswright	L R Kercher	A Stevenson
G R Churchard	A King	J J Taylor
C Clapper	J G L King	S J Taylor
M J Cook	P F J Knell	R A C Thake
M Cowan	A Lee	R G Tindall
M S Crawley	J Lloyd	A S B Walkington
H K Crofton	P V Mason	M A Watkin
T L F Douris	G McAndrew	C J White
D S Drury	A McKay	A D Williams
S B A F H Giles-Medhurst	R Mills	J D Williams
E M Gordon	M B J Mills-Bishop	C B Woodward
R I N Gordon	M D M Muir	C B Wyatt-Lowe
D Hart	R G Parker	W J Wyatt-Lowe
K M Hastrick	A Plancey	P M Zukowskyj
C M Hayward		

Upon consideration of the agenda for the Extraordinary Meeting of the County Council held on 19 May 2015, as circulated, action was taken or decisions were reached as follows:-

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1. MINUTES

- 1.1** Council agreed to defer consideration of the Minutes of the Annual meeting of the Council held at 10.00am on 19 May 2015 to the next meeting of the Council on 21 July 2015.

2. PUBLIC PETITIONS - STANDING ORDER 2(3)(c)

- 2.1** There were no public petitions.

3. PROPOSAL TO SUSPEND STANDING ORDER 2 (3)(e) ANNEX 6

- 3.1** The following motion proposed by **R I N Gordon** and duly seconded was CARRIED:-

“That Council suspends Standing Order 2(3)(e) of Annex 6 of the Constitution for the Extraordinary Council meeting on 19 May 2015 so as to permit:

- (a) *a motion relating to an item considered by the Executive at its meeting on 18 May 2015 and relating to the Outcome of the Bus Consultation to be moved and discussed notwithstanding that notice of the motion has not been lodged in accordance with the time and date specified under Standing Order 2(3)(e), provided that notice in writing of the motion has been lodged in accordance with Standing Order 9(4); and*
- (b) *an amendment to any such motion to be moved and discussed provided that notice in writing of the proposed amendment has been lodged in accordance with Standing Order 10(3)(b).”*

4. BUS CONSULTATION OUTCOME – To consider decisions taken by the Executive at its meeting on 18 May 2015 relating to the consultation on the Bus Strategy and to decide whether to support those decisions.

- 4.1** The following motion was proposed by **T L F Douris** and duly seconded:-

“That Council notes and endorses the decisions of Cabinet on 18 May 2015 relating to the outcome of the Bus Services Consultation.”

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- 4.2** The following motion was proposed by **S B A F H Giles-Medhurst** and duly seconded:-

“That Council rejects the Bus Strategy as agreed by Cabinet in that it fails to take into account the results of the consultation carried out and does not include a value for money exercise of retaining post 7.30 pm supported buses and requests Cabinet to so reconsider.”

- 4.3** The following motion was proposed by **L F Reeve** and duly seconded:-

“Despite having gone through 2 lengthy, expensive and time consuming consultations, on cuts to the County run Statutory Bus Services, and having totally disregarded the 20,000 plus signatories to several petitions on this issue, the Conservative Executive are determined to force through vicious cuts to these services and so Council refuses to accept the proposals put forward by the Cabinet and refers it back to them so as to find another more appropriate way to maintain these much needed bus services.”

- 4.4** The motion at 4.1 was then voted upon and CARRIED, the recorded vote being:-

Those in favour of the motion (42):-

D Andrews	D J Hewitt	I M Reay
D A Ashley	F R G Hill	R M Roberts
J R Barfoot	T W Hone	P A Ruffles
R H Beeching	T Hunter	R Sangster
F Button	T R Hutchings	A M R Searing
R F Cheswright	S L C Johnston	R H Smith
C Clapper	P F J Knell	A Stevenson
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C M Hayward	A Plancey	C B Wyatt-Lowe
T C Heritage	S Quilty	W J Wyatt-Lowe

Those against the motion (30):-

S Bedford	K M Hastrick	R G Parker
N Bell	R J Henry	R G Prowse
J Billing	N A Hollinghurst	L F Reeve
L A Chesterman	A Joynes	D T F Scudder

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There were no abstentions.

- 4.5** As a result of the decision reached at 4.4 above the motions at 4.2 and 4.3 fell and no vote was taken upon them.

**KATHRYN PETTITT
CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER**

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