Minutes of the meeting of the **Council** South Staffordshire Council held in the Council Chamber Community Hub, Wolverhampton Road, Codsall, South Staffordshire, WV8 1PX on Tuesday, 24 September 2024 at 19:00

Present:-

Councillor Andrew Adams, Councillor Helen Adams, Councillor Penny Allen, Councillor Jeff Ashley, Councillor Meg Barrow, Councillor Barry Bond, Councillor Gary Burnett, Councillor Val Chapman, Councillor Bob Cope, Councillor Mike Davies, Councillor Philip Davis, Councillor Steph Dufty, Councillor Christopher Evans, Councillor Mark Evans, Councillor Warren Fisher, Councillor Sam Harper-Wallis, Councillor Dr Paul Harrison, Councillor Rita Heseltine, Councillor Fiona Hopkins, Councillor Matthew Jackson, Councillor Victor Kelly, Councillor Dan Kinsey, Councillor Roger Lees, Councillor Vincent Merrick, Councillor John Michell, Councillor Kath Perry, Councillor Martin Perry, Councillor Ray Perry, Councillor Gregory Spruce, Councillor Christopher Steel, Councillor Bernard Williams, Councillor David Williams

37 **PRIORITY BUSINESS (IF ANY)**

There was no priority business.

38 MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting of Council from 7 May 2024 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

39 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting of Council from 16 July 2024 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

40 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were given by Councillors R Duncan, S Duncan, D Holmes, R Nelson, R Reade, W Sutton, S Szalapski, K Williams and V Wilson.

41 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

42 ELECTION OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Kath Perry MBE was Proposed by Councillor Barry Bond MBE and Seconded by Councillor Martin Perry and **RESOLVED:** that Councillor Kath Perry MBE be elected Leader of the Council.

All members present voted for the Motion with the exception of Councillors G Burnett, S Dufty, S Harper-Wallis, Dr P Harrison MBE, F Hopkins and G Spruce who abstained.

Following her election as Leader of the Council, Councillor Kath Perry MBE announced her Cabinet:

Corporate Services	Councillor Kath Perry MBE

Estates, Assets and Commercial Services	Councillor David Williams
Regulatory Services	Councillor Rita Heseltine
Community Services	Councillor Mike Davies
Planning and Enterprise Services	Councillor Mark Evans
Welfare Services	Councillor Meg Barrow
Assistant Cabinet Member (without portfolio)	Councillor Roger Lees BEM

Deputy Leader David Williams Councillor

The Chairman of the Council, Councillor Dan Kinsey BEM, then Proposed a Motion under Council Procedure Rule 5.1 to be passed to hold an additional council meeting to enable revised committee and outside body appointments to be made. This was Seconded by Councillor Phil Davis, and it was

RESOLVED: that an Extraordinary Council Meeting be held on 8th October at 6.00 pm.

43 QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.4

There were no questions pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11.4.

44 **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

RESOLVED: that Members received and noted the Committee Updates.

45 REVIEW AND UPDATE OF FINANCIAL PROCEDURES

Proposed by Councillor Kath Perry MBE and Seconded by Councillor David Williams and

RESOLVED: that Members approve the updates as set out in section 3 of this report.

46 **COMMERCIAL ASSET STRATEGY**

Proposed by Councillor Kath Perry MBE and Seconded by Councillor David Williams and

RESOLVED: that Members approve the Commercial Asset Strategy 2024.

47 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman of the Council, Councillor Dan Kinsey BEM, thanked everyone who had joined him for his Civic Service at the end of June, and thanked everyone involved in making it happen. The Chairman announced that he had attended a number of events across Staffordshire representing South Staffordshire Council along with his Consort. The Chairman had visited Councillor Kath Williams who remains in good spirits and continues to undertake her casework. The Chairman confirmed he had undertaken his Charity Skydive in August and had exceeded his target of raising £2,000 for his charities. The Chairman would be attending the charity football match being held on Saturday 28th September at Cheslyn Hay Leisure Centre. Finally, the Chairman reminded Members of the 50th

17 October 2024

Anniversary Celebration being held at Codsall Community Hub next Tuesday 1st October at $6.00~\mathrm{pm}$.

The Meeting ended at: 19:31

CHAIRMAN