

ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of MEETING of **ANGUS COUNCIL** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Thursday 24 March 2016 at 2.00pm.

Present: Provost HELEN OSWALD, Depute Provost ALEX KING, Councillors BILL BOWLES, BRIAN BOYD, LYNNE DEVINE, BILL DUFF, MAIRI EVANS, DAVID FAIRWEATHER, CRAIG FOTHERINGHAM, IAIN GAUL, JEANETTE GAUL, MARTYN GEDDES, SHEILA HANDS, JIM HOUSTON, DAVID LUMGAIR, DAVID MAY, IAN McLAREN, GLENNIS MIDDLETON, DONALD MORRISON, ROB MURRAY, BOB MYLES, RONNIE PROCTOR MBE, MARK SALMOND, EWAN SMITH, BOB SPINK, MARGARET THOMSON, PAUL VALENTINE and SHEENA WELSH.

PROVOST HELEN OSWALD, in the Chair.

1. APOLOGIES

At this point in the meeting, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services advised members that following a Standards Commission hearing on Wednesday 15 March, Councillor Colin Brown had been found to have breached the Code of Conduct and that the sanction of the Hearing Panel had been to suspend Councillor Brown from attending all Council, Committee and Sub-Committee meetings for a period of two months, effective from 18 March 2016. Councillor Brown could however attend meetings of outside bodies and other groups to which he had been appointed by Angus Council.

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reminded members of the importance of adhering to the Code of Conduct.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Bill Duff declared an interest in item 9 as he was a Council appointed Director of Angus Alive. He indicated that he would participate in any discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor Jeanette Gaul declared an interest in item 6 as a Panel Member for Dundee City Council on their Children's Hearing System, in item 9 as a Council appointed Director of Angus Alive, in item 10 as a volunteer with Victim Support and a Council appointee on Angus Care and Repair and in item 11 as a Council appointee on the Scottish Council on Deafness. She indicated that she would participate in any discussion and voting on these items.

Councillor Bill Bowles declared an interest in item 10 as a Council appointee on Angus Care and Repair. He indicated that he would participate in any discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor Glennis Middleton declared an interest in item 6 as she was currently a member of the Tayside Area Support Team. She indicated that she would participate in any discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor Jim Houston declared an interest in item 11 as a Council appointed observer at meetings of the North East Sensory Services Board. He indicated that he would participate in any discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor David Fairweather declared an interest in item 5 as he had received an email which he had passed to officers for a reply and in item 9 as he was a Council appointed Director of Angus Alive. He indicated that he would participate in any discussion and voting on these items.

Councillor Craig Fotheringham declared an interest in item 10 as the Chair of the Victim Support Angus Committee. He indicated that he would participate in any discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor Sheila Hands declared an interest in item 10 as she was a Council appointed Director of Angus Care and Repair. She indicated that she would participate in discussion and voting on this item. Councillor Hands also declared a financial interest in item 11 as part of her paid employment was with NHS Tayside and she also worked alongside two of the potential organisations who may be involved in bidding for some, or all of the sensory services