

# Crawley Borough Council

## Minutes of the Full Council

Wednesday 23 July 2014 at 7.30 p.m.

### Present:

Councillor B A Smith (Mayor).

Councillor C A Cheshire (Deputy Mayor).

Councillors M L Ayling, B K Blake, S A Blake, Dr H S Bloom, N Boxall, K Brockwell, B J Burgess, R G Burgess, R D Burrett, D G Crow, C R Eade, I T Irvine, M G Jones, S J Joyce, P K Lamb, R A Lanzer, C C Lloyd, T Lunnon, L S Marshall-Ascough, B McCrow, C A Moffatt, C J Mullins, C Oxlade, D M Peck, B J Quinn, R Sharma, D J Shreeves, P C Smith, J Stanley, K Sudan, G Thomas, K J Trussell and W A Ward.

### Also in Attendance:

Mr A C W Crane - Honorary Freeman and Alderman.

Mr J G Smith – Honorary Freeman and Alderman.

Mr B Jones – Appointed Independent Person.

Mr P Nicolson – Appointed Independent Person.

### Officers Present:

Lee Harris  
Elizabeth Brigden  
Ann-Maria Brown  
Peter Browning  
Roger Brownings  
David Covill  
Sallie Lappage  
Phil Rogers

Chief Executive  
Planning Policy Manager  
Head of Legal and Democratic Services  
Director of Transformation and Housing  
Democratic Services Officer  
Director of Development and Resources  
Forward Planning Manager  
Director of Community and Partnership  
Services

### 16. DEREK WARD

The Council observed one minute's silence in memory of Derek Ward, a former Town Hall Attendant at this Council, who had recently passed away.

**17. Apologies for Absence**

Councillors L A Walker and K B Williamson.  
Mr A Quine – Honorary Freeman and Alderman.

**18. Members' Disclosures of Interests**

The disclosures of interests made by Members were set out in **Appendix A** to the minutes.

**19. Communications**

Andrew Timms

Andrew Timms was appointed by the Council as an Independent Person for a 2 year term on 18th July 2012. His term of office has now expired. He had given 10 years service to this Council in an Independent capacity, serving 8 years as an Independent Member under the previous arrangements on Standards matters, and 2 years under the arrangements introduced by the Localism Act as an Independent Person. With Andrew's role at this Council now ceasing, the Mayor, on behalf of the Council, took this opportunity to convey her thanks to Andrew for his valued contribution to the work of the Council, and advised Members that she would be presenting a gift to Andrew at the next ordinary meeting of the Full Council to acknowledge that service provided.

**20. Presentation of long Service Badges**

The Mayor presented each of the following Members and a former Member (who had recently ceased to hold office), with a badge commemorating their long service as a Member of Crawley Borough Council and thanked them for their long and dedicated service with this Authority:-

AWARD	NAME
20 Years	Councillor S A Blake
15 Years	Councillor Dr H S Bloom
15 Years	Councillor I T Irvine
10 Years	Councillor B K Blake
10 Years	Councillor K Brockwell
10 Years	Councillor B J Burgess
10 Years	Councillor C A Cheshire
10 Years	Alan Quirk

With regard to Councillor Walker and former Councillor Claire Denman (each of whom were due to be awarded at this meeting with a badge commemorating 10 Years service), they had both informed the Head of Legal and Democratic Services that unfortunately they were unable to attend this meeting. Alternative arrangements were therefore being made in terms of the presentation / receipt of their badges.

**21. Public Question Time**

Questions asked in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9 were as follows:

Questioner's Name	Subject	Name of Councillor(s) Responding
	<b><u>Questions relating to the Submission Crawley Local Plan – Bewbush:-</u></b>	
Mr C Crane	Mr Crane referred to the Local Plan and increases in population as a result of proposed housing development in Bewbush. He reiterated concerns he had raised at the recent meeting of the Cabinet (2 July 2014) regarding sufficiency of recreation land as part of those Local Plan proposals.	Councillor P C Smith advised Mr Crane that he had written to him that day in response to the concerns he had raised at the Cabinet meeting, and invited Mr Crane to attend a meeting with Officers at the Town Hall to discuss his concerns and provide Officers the opportunity to explain and clarify related issues.  Mr Crane thanked Councillor Smith for that invite, but suggested that correspondence by letter would suffice at this stage.
Mrs C Latimer	Assurances were sought regarding the need to ensure that all residents would be given the opportunity to respond to the next stage of the consultation process (which was subject to the Full Council's approval of the Local Plan), and that the promotion of that process took account, for example, of those residents without easy access to the internet. Mrs Latimer wished to take up the offer of attending a meeting as referred to by Councillor P C Smith in his response to the previous question.	Councillor P C Smith in outlining the format of the consultation process, indicated that all residents and interested parties would be given the opportunity to respond to the consultation and that the Council was seeking to ensure that the consultation process was strongly promoted, and that additional consideration would be given to this matter as the Local Plan process continued to move forward. He urged all residents to take part in the consultation process generally, and welcomed the suggestion by Mrs Latimer that she attends a meeting as proposed by himself earlier.

Questioner's Name	Subject	Name of Councillor(s) Responding
	<p><b><u>Questions, including those on the consultation process, relating to the reserve Gypsy and Traveller Site as allocated in the Submission Crawley Local Plan at Broadfield Kennels, southwest of the A264:-</u></b></p>	
<p>Mr M Lashmore, Mr K Berry, Ms Bingham and Parish Councillor S Marley (Colgate Parish Council)</p>	<p>Seeking clarification on a number of issues, including the consultation process, in relation to the above reserve Gypsy and Traveller Site.</p>	<p>Councillor P C Smith as part of his responses on this matter, confirmed that subject to the Full Council's approval of the Local Plan, residents would have the further opportunity to make representations on the policies proposed within the Plan (including that relating to the proposed reserve Gypsy and Traveller Site at Broadfield Kennels), as part of the statutory six-week period of public consultation. It was indicated that representations already received would be taken into account as part of the decision making that evening, whilst Councillor Lamb reiterated that the Council was statutorily required to undertake accommodation need assessments for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople, and to outline in the Local Plan how identified needs would be met through the allocation of sites if required. There would be a major difficulty in taking forward a Local Plan with no allocation of a reserve or permanent Gypsy and Travellers site. In response to a comment from Parish Councillor S Marley, it was confirmed</p>

Questioner's Name	Subject	Name of Councillor(s) Responding
		<p>that the Local Plan proposal was to keep the reserve Gypsy and Traveller Site within Crawley Borough Council's own boundary. With a number of issues continuing to be raised around the Broadfield North site proposed, and bearing in mind that many of the questions asked would be covered as part of the Full Council's consideration of the Plan later at this meeting - with a formal vote being taken on the Plan at that stage, the Mayor asked that the respective Ward Members reserve their own comments as part of that later Local Plan debate.</p>
	<p><b><u>Question relating to 'Leacroft', 117 Ifield Road, West Green:-</u></b></p>	
<p>Ms V Cumper</p>	<p>Vanessa Cumper reiterated her request to reconsider the purchase of the 'Leacroft' building so that it could operate as a community hub via a social enterprise to provide an advice service, benefiting the whole of Crawley.</p>	<p>Councillor Lamb acknowledged that the West Green neighbourhood was underprovided for in terms of local amenities but indicated that 'Leacroft' was not considered to be a suitable or cost-effective building for meeting those local needs. He confirmed that the provision of community facilities in the West Green area was a matter currently under consideration. In referring to the work currently being undertaken around primary health care provision to residents in that area, Councillor Ward indicated that NHS Crawley Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and NHS Horsham and Mid Sussex CCG would be holding a joint</p>

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		<p>AGM meeting at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Crawley the following evening (24 July 2014). He encouraged residents and interested parties to take the opportunity to attend that meeting and seek discussions regarding health care service provision for West Green's residents.</p>
	<p><b><u>Question relating to West Green Primary School:-</u></b></p>	
<p>Millie Cumper</p>	<p>A number of issues were raised by Millie, including concerns that no arrangements had been made for her School's Year Six leavers.</p>	<p>The Mayor (Councillor B A Smith) advised the Full Council that she was already aware of Millie's concerns and issues raised following Millie's presentation at a recent meeting of the West Crawley County Local Committee. These matters all related to the work of West Sussex County Council and as Councillor Smith was also the County Councillor for West Green, she had referred the points raised by Millie to Officers at County Hall. Those Officers were currently looking into the matters raised, and the Mayor indicated that she would be in contact with Millie once she had received the County Council's full response.</p>
	<p><b><u>Question relating to the development of the new Crawley Museum:-</u></b></p>	
<p>Mr J Herbert</p>	<p>Mr Herbert made further enquiries as to what the next stage was with regard to his proposal for sponsoring a brick for the proposed development of the new Crawley Museum.</p>	<p>Councillor Mullins confirmed that there was a strong interest generally in raising funds in relation to the Museum. Whilst the indication was that the limited number of bricks to be used as part of the development of the</p>

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		Museum would not make such a sponsorship scheme feasible, many other forms of revenue streams would continue to be considered. The aim was to help ensure that we've got one of the best local town museums in Sussex.

## 22. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on [13 June 2014](#) were approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

## 23. Items for Debate (Reserved Items)

Members indicated that they wished to speak on a number of items as set out in the following table:

Minute Book Page no.	Committee/ Minute no. (and the Member reserving the item for Debate)	Subject (Decisions previously taken under delegated powers, reserved for debate only).	Subject (Recommendation to Full Council, reserved for debate)
43	Audit and Governance Committee. 25 June 2014 Minute 5  <b>(Labour Group)</b>	Maidenbower Pavilion – Review of Lessons Learned on Capital Projects.	
57	Cabinet 2 July 2014 Minute 7  <b>(Labour and Conservative Groups)</b>		Submission Crawley Local Plan.  (Recommendation 1)
58	Cabinet 2 July 2014 Minute 8  <b>(Labour and Conservative Groups)</b>		Budget Strategy 2015/2016-2019/2020  (Recommendation 2)

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60	Cabinet 2 July 2014 Minute 9  <b>(Labour and Conservative Groups)</b>		Treasury Management Outturn for 2013/2014  (Recommendation 3)

## 24. Reports of the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Commission and Committees

Moved by Councillor Cheshire (as the Deputy Mayor) and

### **RESOLVED**

That subject to the clerical corrections set out below, the following reports be received:-

- (a) Development Control Committee – 28 April 2014.
- (b) Development Control Committee – 23 May 2014.
- (c) Development Control Committee – 16 June 2014.
- (d) Licensing Committee – 18 June 2014.
- (e) Audit and Governance Committee – 25 June 2014.
- (f) Overview and Scrutiny Commission – 30 June 2014.
- (g) Cabinet – 2 July 2014.

#### Clerical Correction

That the name of Councillor C A Moffatt be included in the list of the Councillors present for the meetings of:-

- (a) The Development Control Committee held on 28 April 2014.
- (b) The Development Control Committee held on 23 May 2014.

#### Recommendations to Full Council not Reserved for Debate (Unreserved Items)

Whilst at this point (and as indicated in the agenda) it was to be moved that the recommendations to Council, which had not been reserved for debate be adopted, this was not now necessary as all the recommendations to Council had, on this occasion, been reserved for debate.

## 25. Variation in the Order of Business

The Mayor announced a variation in the order of business in relation to Agenda Item 9 (Reserved Items), so that the following order would apply:-



- (a) The Submission Crawley Local Plan (Recommendations 1).
- (b) To deal with the items reserved for debate, including the remaining Recommendations 2 and 3.

On completion of the above business, the Council would resume with the business as set out in the agenda, with the next item being Item 10 (Notice of Motion).

**26. The Submission Crawley Local Plan  
(Cabinet – 2 July 2014)  
(Recommendation 1)**

The Cabinet had considered report [SHAP/37](#) of the Head of Strategic Housing and Planning Services. The report advised that the version of the Local Plan which had not received approval by the Full Council at its meeting on 18 December 2013 had since be amended, and the purpose of the report was to request the Full Council to approve the revised submission Crawley Local Plan and its supporting documents for public consultation and submission to the Secretary of State for Independent Examination. The report had also been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Commission at its meeting on 30 June 2014. In concluding its considerations on this matter, the Cabinet had resolved:-

That the Full Council be RECOMMENDED to:

- 1) Approve the submission Crawley Local Plan (as amended) and Local Plan Map for Publication consultation (a statutory six-week period of public consultation).
- 2) Approve the submission draft Crawley Local Plan for submission to the Secretary of State for Examination by an independent Planning Inspector, subject to minor amendments deemed necessary following Publication Consultation for the purposes of clarity to be approved by the Head of Strategic Housing and Planning Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development.
- 3) Delegate the approval of the supporting documents for the Local Plan, technical evidence base document and technical topic papers to support the Local Plan through Examination to the Head of Strategic Housing and Planning Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development.

**Amendments**

It was moved by Councillor Lanzer and seconded by Councillor Bloom:-

That the Full Council is RECOMMENDED to approve Recommendation 1, subject to the amendments below and any consequential changes to the Local Plan, the Local Plan Map and supporting documents to reflect the Policy changes proposed. Those changes be delegated for approval to the Head of Strategic Housing and Planning Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development.

**Amendment 1: (Reinstatement of Town Centre North allocation)**

*That the Town Centre North Allocation for a major mixed use, retail-led development, including a range of other uses including leisure and housing, be reinstated into the Local Plan, as a new Policy.*

The Council undertook a full and detailed discussion on this amendment and considered the issues raised.

The amendment upon being put to the Full Council, was declared to be LOST.

**Amendment 2 (Policy H2)**

*That Policy H2 of the Local Plan be amended to remove the allocation of the Oakhurst Grange Nursing Home (Goffs Park Road) as a proposed housing site for 55 dwellings, and to compensate for this reduction by reinstating the allocation of 100 dwellings at the Breezehurst Drive Playing Fields (currently 65) and reinstating the allocation of land adjacent to Gemini Close, Bewbush, for 24 dwellings.*

The Council undertook a full and detailed discussion on this amendment and considered the issues raised. At the request of Councillor Crow, and in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17.4, the names of the Members voting for and against the amendment were recorded as set out below:-

**For Amendment 2:-**

Councillors B K Blake, S A Blake, Dr H S Bloom, N Boxall, K Brockwell, B J Burgess, R G Burgess, R D Burrett, D G Crow, C R Eade, R A Lanzer, L S Marshall-Ascough, B MeCrow, D M Peck, and K J Trussell (15).

**Against Amendment 2:-**

Councillors M L Ayling, C A Cheshire, I T Irvine, M G Jones, S J Joyce, P K Lamb, C C Lloyd, T Lunnon, C A Moffatt, C J Mullins, C Oxlade, B J Quinn, R Sharma, D J Shreeves, P C Smith, J Stanley, K Sudan, G Thomas and W A Ward (19).

**Abstentions:-**

Councillor B A Smith.

Amendment 2 was therefore LOST.

**Amendment 3: (Policy H4)**

*That Policy H4 of the Local Plan be amended to reinstate the requirement for 30% affordable housing from new residential development, plus 10% low cost from developments proposing 15 dwellings or more (where viability allows).*

The Council undertook a full and detailed discussion on this amendment and considered the issues raised.

The amendment upon being put to the Full Council, was declared to be LOST.

**Further Amendment**

It was moved by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Sharma:-

That the Full Council is RECOMMENDED to approve Recommendation 1, subject to the amendment below and any consequential changes to the Local Plan, the Local Plan Map and supporting documents to reflect the Policy change proposed. Those changes be delegated for approval to the Head of Strategic Housing and Planning Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development.

*That Policy H2 of the Local Plan be amended to remove the allocation of the Oakhurst Grange Nursing Home (Goffs Park Road) as a proposed housing site for 55 dwellings.*

The Council undertook a full and detailed discussion on this amendment and considered the issues raised.

The amendment upon being put to the Full Council, was declared to be CARRIED.

The Cabinet's recommendation to the Full Council as revised by the amendment as carried above, became the substantive motion. As part of the debate on that motion, detailed consideration was given to the Broadfield Kennels site as a proposed reserve travellers' site. In this connection, further comments were conveyed by the respective Ward Members, including in particular those around residents' concerns. In response, the Full Council was reminded of the major difficulty of taking forward a Local Plan with no allocation of a reserved gypsy and travellers' site, whilst the Local Plan being considered by the Full Council would commit the Council to continue to search for and analyse the potential for alternative sites. Further debate was also undertaken in relation to other Local Plan policies including issues raised by Members regarding Policy H4 (Affordable and Low Cost Housing), with reference made to the proposed Amendment 3, as lost, above.

At the request of Councillor Crow, and in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17.4, the names of the Members voting for and against the substantive motion were recorded as set out below:-

**For the motion:-**

Councillors M L Ayling, C A Cheshire, M G Jones, S J Joyce, P K Lamb, C C Lloyd, T Lunnon, C A Moffatt, C J Mullins, C Oxlade, R Sharma, D J Shreeves, P C Smith, J Stanley, K Sudan, G Thomas and W A Ward (17).

**Against the motion:-**

Councillors B K Blake, S A Blake, Dr H S Bloom, N Boxall, K Brockwell, B J Burgess, R G Burgess, R D Burrett, D G Crow, C R Eade, R A Lanzer, L S Marshall-Ascough, B McCrow, D M Peck, and K J Trussell (15).

**Abstentions:-**

Councillor I T Irvine, B J Quinn and B A Smith (3)

The substantive motion was therefore CARRIED, and it was

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That subject to the further amendment in (2) below:
  - (i) The submission Crawley Local Plan (as amended) and Local Plan Map be approved for Publication consultation (a statutory six-week period of public consultation).
  - (ii) The submission draft Crawley Local Plan be approved for submission to the Secretary of State for Examination by an independent Planning

Inspector, subject to minor amendments deemed necessary following Publication Consultation for the purposes of clarity to be approved by the Head of Strategic Housing and Planning Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development.

(iii) The approval of the supporting documents for the Local Plan, technical evidence base document and technical topic papers to support the Local Plan through Examination, be delegated to the Head of Strategic Housing and Planning Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development.

- (2) That Policy H2 of the Local Plan be amended to remove the allocation of the Oakhurst Grange Nursing Home (Goffs Park Road) as a proposed housing site for 55 dwellings. Consequential changes to the Local Plan, the Local Plan Map and supporting documents to reflect this Policy change, be delegated for approval to the Head of Strategic Housing and Planning Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development.

## **27. Duration of the Meeting**

As the business had not been completed within the two and a half hours specified within Council Procedure Rule 2.2, the Mayor required the Full Council to consider if it wished to continue with the meeting, and having put it to the Council, the meeting was continued for an additional period not exceeding 30 minutes.

## **28. Reserved Items – General**

- (a) **Matter raised under the report of the Audit and Governance Committee – 25 June 2014**

This related to the Maidenbower Pavilion – Review of Lessons Learned on Capital Projects. Both Councillor Mullins (as the Cabinet Member for Leisure and Cultural Services) and Councillor Irvine (as Chair of the Committee) thanked Councillor Walker for bringing forward to the Committee his concerns regarding a number of issues relating to the construction of that Pavilion. In so doing it was emphasised that as part of the work undertaken by the Committee on this matter, lessons had been learnt and were being acted upon. The issues raised by Councillor Walker had been discussed by the Committee in detail, whilst those matters had also been considered in the context of the high value and number of contracts undertaken by the Council before and after the Maidenbower Pavilion project, all of which had been delivered on time and to budget. However, with lessons learned in terms of the construction element of the project, and in thanking the Committee for its work undertaken, the Cabinet Member advised the Full Council that it would be he who would now be moving matters forward in terms of ensuring the Pavilion's effective management and operation. With this in mind, the Cabinet Member informed the Council that he and Officers would be working closely with representatives of the Pavilion's Social Club. The intention being to ensure that the Pavilion was managed in accordance with its original community objectives and operated in accordance with sound financial management principles. Councillor Irvine thanked Councillor Mullins for his undertaking to move this forward and conclude the matters concerned.

(b) **The reserved items containing the remaining recommendations to Full Council.**

These were dealt with as set out in Minute Numbers 29 and 31 below:-

**29. Budget Strategy 2015/2016-2019/2020  
(Cabinet – 2 July 2014)  
(Recommendation 2)**

The Cabinet had considered the report [FIN/339](#) of the Deputy Head of Finance, which had also been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Commission at its meeting on 30 June 2014.

**Amendment**

The following amendment to Part 3) of Recommendation 2 was moved by Councillor Crow and seconded by Councillor Burrett. (Additional / amended text is shown in bold, whilst deleted text has been crossed through):-

3) Note that there is a gap of £1.1m between projected General Fund income and expenditure for the three year period to 2017/2018 and ~~work towards balancing this over a three year period~~ **maintain the existing balanced budget in each of the next three years**, including putting back into reserves when the budget is in surplus.

The Full Council undertook a detailed discussion particularly around the amendment as moved.

The amendment above, upon being put to the Council, was declared to be LOST.

Upon the original motion being put to the Council, it was

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That the Budget Strategy be approved
- (2) That a freeze in the Council Tax for 2015/2016 be included in projections.
- (3) That it be noted that there is a gap of £1.1m between projected General Fund income and expenditure for the three year period to 2017/2018 and work towards balancing this over a three year period, including putting back into reserves when the budget is in surplus.
- (4) That the Corporate Management Team be instructed to take action to address the budget gap and to identify policy options for consideration by Cabinet Members and the Budget Advisory Group.
- (5) That an allocation of up to £2m for the 2017/18 Capital programme be approved.
- (6) That the allocation of £5m of capital reserves to an earmarked Investment Acquisition Reserve to fund the potential acquisition of commercial properties in accordance with the criteria set out in section 7 of report FIN/339, be agreed.
- (7) That the Director of Transformation and Housing be authorised to acquire suitable land and property for investment purposes in consultation with the Leader of the Council, Director of Development and Resources and the Chief

Finance Officer. All such purchases shall be subject to there being sufficient funds in the Investment acquisition reserve and in accordance with the guideline criteria.

### **30. Duration of the Meeting**

As the business had not been completed within the two and a half hours specified within Council Procedure Rule 2.2, the Mayor required the Full Council to consider if it wished to continue with the meeting, and having put it to the Council, the meeting was continued for an additional period not exceeding 30 minutes.

### **31. Treasury Management Outturn for 2013/2014 (Cabinet – 2 July 2014) (Recommendation 3)**

The Cabinet had considered the report [FIN/335](#) of the Deputy Head of Finance, which had also been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Commission at its meeting on 30 June 2014.

Moved by Councillor Lamb, seconded by Councillor Joyce and

#### **RESOLVED**

- (1) That the actual 2013/2014 Prudential and Treasury Indicators as set out in report FIN/335, be approved.
- (2) That the Annual Treasury Management Report for 2013-2014 be noted.

### **32. Notice of Motion**

The Full Council considered a Notice of Motion in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12, which was moved by Councillor Burrett and seconded by Councillor Crow.

The Motion was as follows:-

“This Council recognises that rented accommodation in the private sector is an important part of Crawley’s diverse mix of housing. The Council is concerned to learn that Croydon Borough Council, the nearest Labour-controlled Council to Crawley, plans to introduce a Licensing Scheme for private rented accommodation that risks additional costs of £200 per year being passed on to private sector tenants in the Borough.

Whilst recognising that licensing is required for rented Homes in Multiple Occupation (HMOs), and that such licensing already exists in Crawley, this Council believes that a Licensing Scheme for all properties in the private rented sector risks increased costs being passed on to tenants.

Therefore, in order to bring reassurance to Crawley’s private sector tenants and to avoid putting upward pressure on rents and fees, this Council resolves not to implement any policies in the private sector housing market which:

- i. create additional costs for the sector; and

- ii. risk a reduction in the number or percentage of private sector properties being available to be offered for rent on the open market in Crawley.”

In response to this motion it was emphasised that with private sector rented accommodation being of a generally good standard locally, and irrespective of what other local authorities might choose to do within the varying circumstances of their private sector accommodation standards, there were no proposals at this stage for Crawley Borough Council to introduce a Licensing Scheme for all private rented accommodation as described in the motion. It was recognised and appreciated why such a scheme might be adopted to benefit the housing market in other local authorities, including Croydon. It was considered that the circumstances in Croydon were very different to those currently in Crawley, and that this Council would decide what was best for Crawley given the housing stock within this town, and how to achieve the associated objectives.

At the request of Councillor Crow, and in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17.4, the names of the Members voting for and against the Notice of Motion were recorded as set out below:-

**For the Notice of Motion:-**

Councillors B K Blake, S A Blake, Dr H S Bloom, N Boxall, K Brockwell, B J Burgess, R G Burgess, R D Burrett, D G Crow, C R Eade, R A Lanzer, L S Marshall-Ascough, B McCrow, D M Peck, and K J Trussell (15).

**Against the Notice of Motion:-**

Councillors M L Ayling, C A Cheshire, I T Irvine, M G Jones, S J Joyce, P K Lamb, C C Lloyd, T Lunnon, C A Moffatt, C J Mullins, C Oxlade, B J Quinn, R Sharma, D J Shreeves, P C Smith, J Stanley, K Sudan, G Thomas and W A Ward (19).

**Abstentions:-**

Councillor B A Smith.

The Notice of Motion was therefore LOST.

**33. Duration of the Meeting**

The business of the meeting had still not been completed within the earlier agreed 30 minute extension. Whilst the items of business on Members' Written Questions, Announcements by Cabinet Members, Questions to Cabinet Members and Questions to Committee Chairs were still outstanding (but not requiring a decision), the Mayor proceeded to close the meeting. With the Mayor having put it to the Full Council, the vote was in favour of not continuing the meeting.

**34. Closure of Meeting**

The meeting ended at 11.03 p.m.

B A Smith  
**Mayor**



**APPENDIX A**

**Members' Disclosures of Interest**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	<b>Name and date of Cabinet/ Committee and Minute No.</b>	<b>Minute Book Page No.</b>	<b>Subject or Planning Application No.</b>	<b>Type and Nature of Disclosure.</b>
Councillor D J Shreeves	8(1)(a)	Development Control 28 April 2014 Minute 88	p21	CR/2014/0046/FUL Land formerly Langley Green Primary School, Stagelands	Personal interest as Cllr Shreeves was previously a governor of Langley Green Primary School.
Councillor B J Burgess	8(1)(c)	Development Control 16 June 2014 Minute 5	p35	CR/2014/0081/FUL Unit 99 Finlay Court and 113 Nokes Court, Commonwealth Drive, Three Bridges, Crawley	Personal Interest as Councillor R G Burgess (husband) was speaking in objection to the planning permission.
Councillor C C Lloyd	8(1)(f) and 7	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 30 June 2014 Minute 8	p51	Budget Strategy 2015/2016-2019/2020	Personal Interest as a Member of the Local Government Pension Scheme.
Councillor C C Lloyd	8(1)(g) and 7	Cabinet 2 July 2014 Minute 8	p58	Budget Strategy 2015/2016-2019/2020	Personal Interest as a Member of the Local Government Pension Scheme.
Councillor R D Burrett	8(1)(g)	Cabinet 2 July 2014 Minute 12	p61	Approval of Section 106 Monies for Education.	Personal Interest as a Member of West Sussex County Council.
Councillor J Stanley	8(1)(g)	Cabinet 2 July 2014 Minute 12	p61	Approval of Section 106 Monies for Education.	Personal Interest as a Community School Governor at Waterfield Primary School.
Councillor D G Crow	10			Notice of Motion	Personal Interest as a private sector tenant in Crawley.
Councillor M G Jones	10			Notice of Motion	Personal Interest as a private sector tenant in Crawley.
Councillor P K Lamb	10			Notice of Motion	Personal Interest as a private sector tenant in Crawley.
Councillor T Lunnon	10			Notice of Motion	Personal Interest as a private sector tenant in Crawley.
Councillor L S Marshall - Ascough	10			Notice of Motion	Personal Interest as a private sector landlord in Crawley.