

**REPORT OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE 16<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2009**

**MEMBERSHIP & ATTENDANCE**

**Chairman:** \* Mrs J Worrall

**Councillors:** \* Mr M Green  
\*Mrs M Hampton  
\*Mrs A Hayward  
\* Mrs M Jarrett  
\* Mr R Kipps  
\* Mr K Morris  
\* Mr S Watkins

\*Denotes members present  
Also in attendance Cllr N Eve

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**1. TO SUGGEST AN AMENDMENT OF STANDING ORDERS**

Members discussed the detail within the report. The Chairman handed round a paper on what the other Parishes in the Three Rivers District Council did for information although no two councils had the same system. The points system, the open election system and the political systems of electing a chairman and vice chairman were discussed and it was agreed that their were strengths and weakness in all the systems. There was a general feeling that there should be more involvement for the vice chairman to give him or her insight into the role of the Chairman and to help with succession. The following proposal was put forward by Cllr Watkins who stated that a system was already in place in section 5 of standing orders, stating that if a decision could not be made the nomination would pass to the next ward and the original points would be forfeited.

The Committee

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That the Council continue with the present system in choosing a vice chairman for 2009/10, to fill the vacancy and to accept a nominee from the next ward on the points list.

This was proposed by Cllr Watkins, seconded by Cllr Kipps and carried five votes in favour with three absentions.

**09/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**09/02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**09/03 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The Committee

RESOLVED

The minutes of the meeting dated 28th April 2009 were approved as a true and correct record.

**09/04 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising

**09/05 FINANCIAL COMPARISON STATEMENT 2009/10**

The Committee

RESOLVED

To note the report

**09/06 THE END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS**

The Committee

RESOLVED

To agree the end of year accounts 2008/09 for audit

And approved the Annual Governance

Statement

This was proposed by Cllr Morris, seconded by Cllr Mrs Jarrett and unanimously agreed.

**09/07 ELECTION TO THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Committee

RESOLVED

To vote for Cllr Williams, Bradshaw, Farmer, White, and Smith to sit on the HAPTC Executive Committee and that Cllr Kipps take the nomination papers to the meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> June.

This was proposed by Cllr Mrs Jarrett , seconded by Cllr Kipps and unanimously agreed.

**09/08 TO SUGGEST AN AMENDMENT OF STANDING ORDERS**

See Recommendation 1.

**09/09 CLOSURE**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.11pm

These minutes have been checked by the Chairman.

Signature..... Date.....

These minutes were agreed as a true and correct record at the Policy & Resources meeting and signed by the Chairman.

Signature ..... Date .....