

Hampshire

At a Meeting of Hampshire County Council held at The Castle, Winchester
on 23 February 2012.

Chairman:

p Councillor Anna McNair Scott

Vice-Chairman:

p Councillor Andrew Joy

Councillor:	Councillor:
<i>p</i> Mrs Charlotte Bailey	<i>p</i> Keith House
<i>p</i> Ian Beagley	<i>p</i> Ronald Hussey
<i>p</i> Ray Bolton	<i>p</i> David Keast
<i>p</i> Alan Broadhurst	<i>p</i> Mark Kemp-Gee
<i>p</i> John Bryant	<i>p</i> Mel Kendal
<i>p</i> Ann Buckley	<i>p</i> Roger Kimber
<i>p</i> Graham Burgess	<i>p</i> Tim Knight
<i>p</i> Rita Burgess	<i>p</i> Rupert Kyrle
<i>p</i> Adam Carew	<i>p</i> Carol Leversha
<i>p</i> Christopher Carter	<i>p</i> Keith Mans
<i>p</i> Roz Chadd	<i>p</i> Peter Kent Mason
<i>p</i> Keith Chapman	<i>p</i> Alexis McEvoy
<i>p</i> Peter Chegwyn	<i>p</i> Robin McIntosh
<i>p</i> Vaughan Clarke	<i>p</i> Pam Mutton
<i>p</i> Adrian Collett	<i>p</i> Eric Neal
<i>p</i> Brian Collin	<i>p</i> Frank Pearce
<i>a</i> Ferris Cowper	<i>p</i> Roy Perry
<i>p</i> Mark Cooper	<i>a</i> Jackie Porter
<i>p</i> Sam Darragh	<i>p</i> Roger Price, JP
<i>p</i> Brian Dash	<i>p</i> Jenny Radley
<i>p</i> Colin Davidovitz	<i>p</i> Stephen Reid
<i>p</i> Phryn Dickens	<i>p</i> Alan Rice, TD
<i>p</i> Alan Dowden	<i>p</i> Steve Rippon-Swaine
<i>p</i> David Drew	<i>p</i> Angela Roling
<i>p</i> Peter Edgar	<i>p</i> David Simpson
<i>p</i> Dr. Ray Ellis	<i>p</i> Patricia Stallard
<i>p</i> Adrian Evans	<i>p</i> Elaine Still
<i>p</i> Keith Evans	<i>p</i> Bruce Tennent
<i>p</i> Liz Fairhurst	<i>p</i> Tom Thacker
<i>p</i> Jane Frankum	<i>a</i> Christopher Thomas
<i>p</i> Mike Geddes	<i>p</i> Ken Thornber, C.B.E.
<i>p</i> Andrew Gibson	<i>p</i> Marilyn Tucker
<i>p</i> Jonathan Glen	<i>p</i> John Wall
<i>p</i> Brian Gurden	<i>p</i> Alan Weeks
<i>p</i> David Harrison	<i>a</i> John K. West
<i>p</i> Edward Heron	<i>p</i> Patricia West
<i>p</i> Felicity Hindson	<i>p</i> Sharyn Wheale
<i>p</i> Geoff Hockley	<i>p</i> Seán D. T. Woodward

Prior to the start of the formal commencement of the meeting, the Chairman announced that the meeting was being recorded for broadcast on the County Council's website and would be available for repeated viewing <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/watch>. The Chairman confirmed that she had given her permission in accordance with Standing Order 10 of the County Council's Constitution. Furthermore the Chairman confirmed that she had also given permission for Meridian TV to take some still shots of the Chamber after the lunch recess.

258. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ferris Cowper, Jackie Porter, Chris Thomas and John West and Honorary Aldermen Patricia Banks, Michael Cartwright, Ted Gale and George Porter.

259. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

All Members who believed they had a personal or prejudicial interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting were asked to declare that interest and, having regard to the circumstances described in paragraphs 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the County Council's Code of Conduct, to consider whether to leave the meeting whilst the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with paragraph 12 of the Code. The declaration should be made at the time of the relevant debate.

It was noted that as the Revenue Budget and Precept 2012/13 and Capital Programme 2012/13 to 2014/15 (Item 11 on the Agenda) and the Members' Allowances Scheme 2012/13 (Item 12 on the Agenda), affects all of the County Council's elected Members, a general dispensation is exercised in declaring a personal interest.

260. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman called for nominations. Councillor Ken Thornber, seconded by Councillor Roy Perry proposed Councillor Andrew Joy for the position and Councillor Keith House, seconded by Councillor Adrian Collett proposed Councillor Roger Price. The propositions were put to the vote, the outcome of which was the majority of Members present voted for Councillor Andrew Joy.

ORDERED:

That Councillor Andrew Joy be appointed Vice-Chairman of the County Council until the Council's Annual General Meeting in May 2012. Councillor Joy made the declaration of Acceptance of Office.

261. **MINUTES.**

The minutes of the meeting of the County Council held on 24 November 2011 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising.

262. **DEPUTATIONS.**

The following deputations were received:

- Mr Mark Benzie, local resident, regarding school places in Winchester
- Mrs Christine Chalk, local resident, regarding charging for Adult Social Care
- Dr. David Kerridge, local resident, regarding charging for Adult Social Care

263. **CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS.**

The Chairman welcomed Honorary Aldermen to the meeting together with Councillor Patricia Stallard, the newly elected County Councillor for the Winchester Southern Parishes County Electoral Division.

The Chairman presented her report (Item 6 in the Minute Book) and expanded on the wide range of duties undertaken to represent and promote the County Council and its strong community leadership role. A list of engagements was circulated in the Chamber. Both the report and the list of engagements are attached to these Minutes as Appendix 1.

264. **LEADER'S REPORT.**

The Leader presented his report (Item 7 in the Minute Book) covering the death of former County Councillor Joan Rowsell, recognition of the contribution to the County Council by Karen Widdowson and Kelvin Ridout in Democratic Services who leave the organisation at the end of February and end of March respectively together with a number of other achievements by the County Council and information about forthcoming events. The full report is attached to these Minutes as Appendix 2.

265. **QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 16.1.1.**

No questions had been submitted.

266. **APPOINTMENTS.**

The Council considered a report from the Chief Executive (Item 9 in the Minute Book), presented by the Leader proposing alterations in the membership of Committees and Panels together with any other member

appointments required.

RESOLVED:

- a) That Councillor Ray Bolton be appointed as the Chairman of the Children and Young People Select Committee and to become a member of the Policy and Resources Select Committee, replacing Councillor Stephen Reid on both;
- b) That Councillor Jonathan Glen be appointed to the Children and Young People Select Committee to the vacancy arising from Councillor Bolton's appointment as Chairman of that Committee;
- c) That Councillor Tom Thacker be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Pension Fund Panel, replacing Councillor Ken Thornber who has stepped down from that position;
- d) That Councillor Andrew Gibson be appointed to the Pension Fund Panel to fill the vacancy arising from Councillor Thacker's appointment as Vice-Chairman of that Panel; and
- e) That Councillor Patricia Stallard be appointed to the Safe and Healthy People Select Committee to replace Councillor Andrew Joy.

267. APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINY OFFICER.

The Council considered a report of the Chief Executive (Item 10 in the Minute Book), presented by the Leader, to appoint one of its officers to carry out the statutory duties of the Scrutiny Officer pursuant to Section 21ZA of the Local Government Act 2000.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the Assistant Chief Executive be appointed as the County Council's Scrutiny Officer as an interim arrangement subject to any organisational changes arising from the outcome of the Corporate Services Review.
- b) That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to make the necessary amendment to the County Council's Constitution.

268. REVENUE BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2012/13 AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13-2014/15.

The Council received the Leader's Budget Speech regarding the Revenue Budget and Precept for 2012/13 and the Capital Programme for the period 2012/13 to 2012/15. The full Speech is available to view on the County Council's website at www.hants.gov.uk/council/meetings.htm by typing in the reference number 3669.

The Council considered the recommendations of the Cabinet (Item 11 in the Minute Book), which included the Leader's further budget allocations from the Corporate Policy Reserve as per paragraph 1.18 of Annex 1 to the report (Revenue Budget and Precept for 2012/13 considered by the Cabinet on 3 February 2012). The further allocations are attached to these Minutes as Appendix 3.

In responding to the proposals Councillor Keith House, Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group, seconded by Councillor Brian Dash proposed an amendment to the budget which is attached to these Minutes as Appendix 4.

Councillor Alan Weeks, Leader of the Community and Green Group responded to the proposals. No amendment was moved.

The Liberal Democrat amendment was put to the vote. The majority of Members present did not support the amendment, which was therefore lost. The substantive proposals were put to the vote and were carried. It was accordingly

RESOLVED:

REVENUE BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2012/13

That the County Council approve:

- (a) The Treasurer's report under Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003 and take this into account when determining the budget and precept for 2012/13 (Appendix 10 to Annex 1);
- (b) The Revised Budget set out in Appendix 1 and 15 of Annex 1;
- (c) The Revenue Budget for 2012/13 (as set out in appendices 6, 8, 16 and 17 of Annex 1);
- (d) That the total budget requirement for the general expenses of the County Council for the year beginning 1 April 2012, be £711,613,000;
- (e) That the council tax requirement for the County Council for the year beginning 1 April 2012, be £530,169,467.21;
- (f) That the County Council's band D council tax for the year beginning 1 April 2012 be £1,037.88 as in 2011/12;
- (g) That in accordance with the set of principles set by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for the year, it is determined that the relevant basic amount of council tax for 2012/13 is not excessive;
- (h) The County Council's council tax for the year beginning 1 April 2012 for properties in each tax band be:

	£
Band A	691.92
Band B	807.24
Band C	922.56
Band D	1,037.88
Band E	1,268.52
Band F	1,499.16
Band G	1,729.80
Band H	2075.76

- (i) Precepts be issued totalling £530,169,467.21 on the billing authorities in Hampshire, requiring the payment in such instalments and on such date set by them previously notified to the County Council, in proportion to the tax base of each billing authorities area as determined by them and as set out below:

Basingstoke and Deane	65,071.00
East Hampshire	48,600.68
Eastleigh	44,823.67
Fareham	43,465.00
Gosport	27,731.00
Hart	38,262.16
Havant	43,126.00
New Forest	73,274.30
Rushmoor	31,838.98
Test Valley	46,303.00
Winchester	48,323.83

- (j) The treasury management policy statement and the treasury management and annual investment strategies, prudential and financial health indicators for 2012/13, in accordance with the recommendations in Appendices 12 and 13 of Annex 1.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13 TO 2014/15

That the County Council approve:

- (a) the capital programme for 2012/13 and the provisional programmes for 2013/14 and 2014/15 as set out in Appendix 3 of Annex 2 of the accompanying report and subject to the conditions set out in section B.3 of the County Council's Financial Procedures on the responsibilities for managing the capital programme and, where appropriate, to the approval of the Executive Member for Policy and Resources to proposals by Executive Members to retain more than a 25% share of capital receipts;
- (b) the additional proposals for capital investment in the period from 2012/13 onwards as set out in Appendix 4 to Annex 2, for inclusion in the County Council's capital programme;
- (c) expenditure on preliminary design and planning work for major transport schemes be permitted when they have achieved a place in the County Council's Local Transport Plan, subject to the cost being met within existing Government allocations; and
- (d) that authority be given to incur expenditure on land purchases as follows:
 - (1) up to the sum specified in respect of sites still required for the schemes included in the capital programme for the period 2012/13 to 2014/15 provided that the relevant scheme has been the subject of a feasibility or design project appraisal approved by the relevant Executive Member
 - (2) up to the amount included in the programmes for 2012/13 to 2014/15 in respect of advance and advantageous land purchases.

269. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2012/13.

The Council considered a report of the Chief Executive (Item 12 in the Minute Book), presented by the Leader proposing the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2012/13. The proposed Scheme arose from recommendations of the County Council's Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) which met on 14 October 2011, and the subsequent recommendations arising from the Employment in Hampshire County Council (EHCC) Committee's consideration of the IRP's report on 9 November 2011.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That Basic Allowances and Special Responsibility Allowances (SRAs) be frozen at the existing rates from 1 April 2012;
- (b) That mileage allowances for Members continue to be aligned to HM Revenue and Customs approved rates;

- (c) That no SRA be granted to the Leader of the Community and Green Minority Group within the County Council and that an SRA based on the current method of calculation should only be payable to the Leader of a Minority Group within the County Council when it is comprised of four or more Members;
- (d) That the outcome of the further review of SRAs for the Chairman of the Pension Fund Panel and the Chairman of the Audit Committee be reported to Council as soon as practicable;
- (e) That the IRP continue their review of the SRAs payable to Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Committees; and
- (f) That travel allowances for attendance at political group meetings before Council meetings authorised by the relevant political group Leaders be payable, but that the Chief Executive be notified of any additional group meetings qualifying for payment of travel allowances before travel expenses could be claimed, and that the number of political group meetings in respect of which travel allowances could be claimed be a maximum of 11 per year.

270. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL PAY POLICY STATEMENT FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2012/13.

Prior to inviting the Council to consider the report included in the Agenda papers, the Chairman invited the Chief Executive to present additional information resulting from Statutory Guidance issued by the Secretary of State since the publication of the Agenda papers, which required revisions to the Pay Statement. An addendum to the report was accordingly circulated in the Chamber and is attached to these Minutes as Appendix 5.

The Council considered the report and addendum of the Chief Executive (Item 13 in the Minute Book), presented by the Leader setting out the County Council's Pay Policy Statement (the "Pay Statement") for the financial year 2012/13.

RESOLVED:

That the Pay Statement for the financial year 2012/13 be approved for adoption, taking into account the revisions presented in light of Statutory Guidance issued by the Secretary of State. Furthermore, it was agreed that the Employment in Hampshire County Council Committee remains the appropriate Committee to agree Chief Officer remuneration, including individual salary offers for those above Grade K in respect of any new Chief Officer appointments, in accordance with the Pay Policy Statement.

271. NOTICES OF MOTION.

The following Notice of Motion was submitted in accordance with

Standing Order 18.1 by Councillor Brian Dash, seconded by Councillor David Harrison:

“This Council recalls that the Cabinet system of Local Government was imposed against its wishes by Central Government. It therefore welcomes the freedom afforded by the Localism Bill to decide its own decision making process.

Accordingly it resolves to replace the current Cabinet based model with a Committee system to enable full participation in the conduct of Council business by all Members.

It further resolves that, in recognition of the current economic situation, the Committee system should be constructed to ensure that the cost of Committee Chairpersons and deputies shall be significantly less than is currently applicable to Cabinet Members and Scrutiny Panel Chairpersons.”

The following Amendment to the Motion was submitted by Councillor Ken Thornber and seconded by Councillor Stephen Reid:

That paragraphs 2 and 3 beginning with the words “Accordingly it resolves” be deleted and the following be substituted for paragraphs 2 and 3.

After careful consideration the County Council re-affirms its belief that the present system of Cabinet and Scrutiny Committees offers a less costly and more flexible system of Governance than the Committee System which was less flexible and more costly.

The present system allows swifter decision making and a system of scrutinising only those key decisions that have policy implications, rather than having every decision of whatever importance passing through large committees.

This Council therefore resolves to retain the present system of Cabinet Governance and Scrutiny of the Executive, through Select Committees.”

The ensuing discussion focussed on the advantages and disadvantages of both the current Leader/Cabinet model and the previous Committee system. In conclusion of the discussion, the Leader proposed that the current arrangements continue for the course of the current administration (i.e. until after the County Council elections in May 2013), and that an all-party Working Group be established following the Council meeting to look at options for the County Council's future governance arrangements for the next administration.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Dash agreed to withdraw the Motion on the basis of a proposal put forward by the Leader that a cross-party working group would

carry out an investigation of governance models, in light of the Localism Act 2011 and that the Chief Executive take the appropriate action.

The Notice of Motion submitted in accordance with Standing Order 18.1 by Councillor Carol Leversha, seconded by Councillor Patricia West (as set out at Item 14b on the Agenda) was withdrawn by Councillor Leversha pending further information.

272. AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS.

The Council considered the report of the Chief Executive, presented by the Leader (Item 15 in the Minute Book) seeking approval to amend Standing Order 10 to allow County Council and Cabinet meetings to be broadcast live on the County Council's website, or to be recorded by the County Council.

The outcome of discussion

RESOLVED:

- a) that the revision to Standing Order 10, as set out below, be approved, subject to a review in 6-9 months time of the need for this Standing Order in the light of experience of operating it in its revised form:

"County Council and Cabinet Meetings may be broadcast live on the County Council's website, or they may be recorded by the County Council. Except with the permission of the Chairman, Leader or relevant Executive Member, it is otherwise forbidden to make audio or visual records whilst a Meeting of the County Council, a meeting of Cabinet or other Executive Meeting is in progress and all mobile telephones shall be switched to silent mode."

- b) That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to make the necessary change to Standing Orders.

273. HAMPSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY.

Pursuant to Standing Order 16.3, the Deputy Leader and Executive Lead Member for Children's Services, Councillor Roy Perry submitted a question regarding the grant offered by the Government to the Hampshire Police Authority to avoid any rise in the council tax precept. The question and the response given are available to view on the County Council's website at www.hants.gov.uk/council/meetings.htm by typing in the reference number 3723.

The report of the Hampshire Police Authority was received and Councillor Collett, Vice-Chairman of the Police Authority answered Members' questions arising from the report.

274. HAMPSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY.

No questions had been received pursuant to Standing Order 16.4. The report of the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority was received and Councillor Keith Chapman answered Members' questions arising from the report.

275. CHANGES IN RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS.

The Council noted the report of the Chief Executive, presented by the Leader (Item 18 in the Minute Book) reporting the appointment of Councillor Stephen Reid to the Cabinet as Executive Member for Strategic Development.

In accordance with Part 1, Chapter 15.3 of the Constitution, the Monitoring Officer will amend Part 2, Chapter 3, paragraph 3 – Responsibility for Executive Functions to incorporate the Strategic Development portfolio, as attached at Appendix 6 to these Minutes.

276. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION.

The Council received the reports of the following Executive Members and Chairmen who answered Members' questions arising from the reports:

- a) The Cabinet/Leader
 - Hampshire Workstyle Programme – procurement of hub offices and capital assets pathfinder
 - Implementing the Localism Act
 - Annual Audit Letter
- b) Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
 - Educational attainment in Hampshire in 2011
 - School meal prices from April 2012
- c) Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - Inquiries received and taken:
 - * Portsmouth Hospitals Trust – Nurturing Maternity Service development in South East Hampshire
 - * Winchester and Eastleigh Healthcare Trust – Andover Birth Centre –update to confirm outcome of consultation
 - * Calleva Clinical Commissioning Group: Odiham Cottage Hospital – progress with development of model of care
 - * Southampton, Hampshire, Isle of Wight and Portsmouth Primary Care Trust Cluster: fast track continuing health care

- * Southampton, Hampshire, Isle of Wight and Portsmouth Primary Care Trust Cluster: Fordingbridge Hospital buildings
- Proposals to vary or develop NHS services
 - * Southampton Health NHS Foundation Trust: improving outcomes for Hampshire's adult mental health services
 - * Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust: older people's mental health services
 - * National Specialist Commissioning Board: consultation on the configuration of children's heart surgery services
 - * Southampton, Hampshire, Isle of Wight and Portsmouth Primary Care Trust Cluster: review of stroke and vascular services
- d) Executive Member for Adult Social Care
 - Project Extra-Care: Oak Park Health and Wellbeing Campus development
 - Prison Substance Misuse Tender – HMP Winchester
 - Extra-Care housing, tendering and procurement
 - Progressing the Older Persons Mental Health Strategy in Hampshire: Dementia Advisor Services

APPENDIX 1**Chairman's Communications
County Council – 23 February 2012**

Welcome to Honorary Aldermen present.

A list of engagements I have attended since our County Council Meeting in November has been circulated to Members.

Some notable engagements include:

- Special Schools Service, Winchester Cathedral
- Citizenship Ceremony, Basingstoke
- Holocaust Service, Winchester Cathedral
- Carol Service, Winchester Cathedral
- Consecration of the new Bishop of Winchester in St Paul's Cathedral

I hosted another working lunch, this time for Community Transport Groups.

Heroes Welcome – my office managed to obtain sponsorship for the printing of Heroes Welcome stickers. These have now arrived and you will have been circulated 4 each to distribute to businesses/organisations in your constituencies. When speaking to any organisations, do please point them in the direction of the Chairman's Website. Here they can register their interest and find out more about this national scheme. A list of Hampshire organisations who are displaying the Heroes Welcome sticker and supporting the scheme can be found on my website. 500 stickers have just been handed over to the Economic Development office to distribute to Hampshire Ambassadors.

Corporate Parenting:

Three pieces of information relating to our services for children in care in Hampshire. Firstly, Ofsted carried out an Inspection of Adoption services in Hampshire.

The Inspection was carried out 12-16 December 2011

- The overall quality rating for the Service is Good
- Protecting children from harm, helping them achieve and enjoy, and make a positive contribution, are all judged Good
- The Organisation of the service is Good

There are many strengths identified in the Inspection report but worthy of particular note is that 83.7 % of Hampshire children were placed for Adoption within 12 months from the time when they were considered by the panel to be in need of an adoption place. This timely provision has a positive impact on children's sense of security and permanency.

In addition, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons, Mr Nick Hardwick visited Swanwick Lodge Secure Children's Home in January. The remit of the Prisons Inspectorate is widening and the visit was to familiarise himself with good practice as Swanwick Lodge remains the only home in the country within the secure estate to be rated outstanding by Ofsted. The visit went very well and the feedback was extremely encouraging, which we hope can be taken on board in the development of the inspection regime for other secure facilities for young people.

Finally, The Foster Carers' Charter was adopted by Hampshire County Council in December 2010. The Foster Carers' Charter aims to recognise the importance of the child's relationship with his or her foster family as one that can make the biggest difference in the child's life and which can endure into adulthood. The Hampshire Foster Carers' Charter provides clarity of the relationship between carers and Hampshire County Council and the expectations of each other within the relationship and the placement of children and young people. As such it will strengthen the shared understanding of the collective role of the corporate parenting between Hampshire County Council, the foster carer, child and parent.'

And finally ... the High Sheriff and I hosted a most successful Concert in Winchester Cathedral even though it was the one evening when it decided to snow. The proceeds are being given to Winchester Cathedral for much needed maintenance and to the Hampshire Music Service.

The Hampshire County Youth Orchestra, the County Band and County Choir performed to perfection which culminated in a rousing verse of Land of Hope and Glory after which there was a standing ovation.

My office alone has taken over £10,000 in ticket sales and donations. We are now waiting on the final accounts from the Cathedral so that the donations can be divided between the two causes. This is likely to be in excess of £10,000.

My thanks to all those Members who supported this Concert. Those of you who were not there, missed an amazing evening and I have received many messages of congratulations and astonishment at the standard of playing and singing by our young musicians.

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Date	Engagement	Venue	Attendance
24-Nov-11	NA: Mayoress of Rushmoor's Christmas Afternoon Tea	Council Offices, Farnborough	Not Attended
24-Nov-11	NA: Opening of Winchester Cathedral Ice Rink and Christmas Market	The Inner Close	Not Attended
24-Nov-11	Dinner on board HMS Victory o/night at Admiralty House	Portsmouth Dockyard	
24-Nov-11	NA: Romsey Male Voice Choir - Festival of Community Choirs	Thornden Hall, Chandlers Ford	Not Attended
25-Nov-11	Councillor Allgood's Memorial Service	All Saints Church, Denmead	Attended as Chairman unaccompanied
25-Nov-11	NA: Beaulieu Estate Dinner	The Domus, Beaulieu Abbey	Not Attended
01-Dec-11	Press Opening of Oakley to Basingstoke Multi-Use Path	Meet at Oakley	Attended as Chairman
01-Dec-11	Carols by Candlelight Concert in aid of the NSPCC/ChildLine	Winchester Cathedral	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
02-Dec-11	Special Schools Service	Winchester Cathedral	Attended as Chairman - + Mr MnS
02-Dec-11	Mayor of Basingstoke's Civic Reception		Attended as Chairman + Mr MnS as Consort
04-Dec-11	Annual SSAFA Curry Lunch	Worthy Down Officers Mess	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
06-Dec-11	Citizenship Ceremony	Basingstoke Registration Office, Goldings, London Road, Basingstoke RG21 4AN	Attended as Chairman unaccompanied
07-Dec-11	Community Leaders Forum	St Swithun's School, Winchester	Attended as Chairman unaccompanied
07-Dec-11	NA: Carol Service for St Michael's Hospice & Pelican Cancer Foundation	St Michael's Church, Basingstoke	Not Attended
08-Dec-11	Chairman's Staff Carol Concert	The Great Hall	Hosted as Chairman
09-Dec-11	CIlr Chapman's Concert - Kingsclere Singers	Ashford Hill Church	Attended as Chairman - + Mr MnS
10-Dec-11	NA: Mayor of Basingstoke's Charity Christmas Concert	St Michael's Church	Not Attended
11-Dec-11	Hampshire County Youth Bands Christmas Concert	St Swithun's School, Winchester	Attended as Chairman + Mr MnS as Consort

16-Dec-11	Dame Mary's Carol Concert	Winchester Cathedral	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS
18-Dec-11	40th Anniversary of Dean of Winchester's Ordination to the Priesthood at the Eucharist + reception afterwards in North Transcept	Winchester Cathedral	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS
19-Dec-11	Carol Service Reading Rehearsal	Winchester Cathedral	Attended as Chairman unaccompanied
22-Dec-11	Carol Service (reading) times to be confirmed	Winchester Cathedral	Attended as Chairman unaccompanied
22-Dec-11	NA: Mayor of Havant's Christmas Charity Ball	Lakeside, Hayling Island	Not Attended
12-Jan-12	Mayor of Fareham's Dinner	Mayor's Parlour, Fareham	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
19-Jan-12	NA: Mayor of Southampton's Charity Quiz Night	Southampton Guildhall	Not Attended
24-Jan-12	Opening of new HQ Building for 145 (South) Brigade	Roebuck House, Aldershot	Attended as Chairman + Mr MnS as Consort
24-Jan-12	NA: Chairman of Hart's celebration of the Chinese New Year	The Water Sky Restaurant, Fleet	Not Attended
25-Jan-12	Consecration of the Revd Timothy Dakin & buffet reception afterwards	St Paul's Cathedral and Lambeth Palace	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
26-Jan-12	Holocaust Remembrance Service		Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
27-Jan-12	Tour of Winchester College		
31-Jan-12	Reception for the proposed Alton College Engineering & Design Technology Centre	Ironmongers' Hall, London	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
02-Feb-12	Visit to Mary Rose	Portsmouth	
02-Feb-12	Eucharist followed by Candlemass Supper	Dean	
03-Feb-12	Lunch	Basingstoke College of Technology	Attended as Chairman unaccompanied
03-Feb-12	Master Mariners Sea Pie Supper	Southampton Port	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
03-Feb-12	NA: Eastleigh's Musical Extravaganza	The Point	Not attended
04-Feb-12	High Sheriff & Chairman's Concert	Winchester Cathedral	Hosted as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS

05-Feb-12	Cllr Joy: Education Sunday + refreshments afterwards	Winchester Cathedral	Cllr Joy Deputised
05-Feb-12	NA: Mayor of Havant's Charity Concert	Conference Centre, Public Service Plaza	Not Attended
06-Feb-12	RV: Opening of Education Centre + informal buffet beforehand	Laverstoke Park Education Centre	Royal Visit
07-Feb-12	RV: Symetrica	Southampton University Science Park, Chilworth	Royal Visit
07-Feb-12	Community Transport Lunch	Serle's House	Hosted as Chairman
07-Feb-12	NA: Regimental Dinner	Officers' Mess, Thorney Island (near Emsworth)	Not Attended
09-Feb-12	NA: Mayor of Test Valley's Charity Auction	Upper Guildhall, Andover	Not Attended
10-Feb-12	NA: Mayor of Rushmoor's Charity Dinner	Holiday Inn, Farnborough	Not Attended
16-Feb-12	Tea with Professor Joy Carter	University of Winchester	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
16-Feb-12	LL's Dinner for Bishop Crispian	Serle's House	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS
17-Feb-12	NA: Mayor of Winchester's Charity Grand Valentine Ball	Winchester Guildhall	Not Attended
17-Feb-12	NA: Mayor of Gosport's Band of HM Royal Marine's Concert	St Mary's Church, Alverstoke	Not Attended
22-Feb-12	Business South Event	The Rose Bowl	Attended as Chairman + Mr McNS as HS

APPENDIX 2**Leader's Report
County Council – 23 February 2012**

1. Death of Former County Councillor

It is with regret that I have to inform you of the death of former County Councillor Joan Rowsell, who passed away last December.

Former County Councillor Rowsell was first elected in 1977 and served until the early 1980's as the Member for Romsey. She served on many committees including, Planning and Transportation Committee, Recreation Committee, Police Authority and River Hamble Harbour Management Sub-Committee, Environmental Planning Sub-Committee. Cllr Rowsell also represented HCC on King John's House and Tudor Cottage Trust, Romsey and on the Danebury Trust.

2. Staff

Two long standing Officers will be leaving the County Council at the end of March:

Kelvin Ridout – Having joined HCC in September 1972, has completed almost 40 years dedicated service. The majority of his time has been in Democratic Services, and for the last 18 years had been primary democratic services officer for HFRA.

Karen Widdowson – joined HCC in January 2000 from Lancaster City Council. Karen has provided democratic support to Members, more recently supporting the Cabinet, CMT and at Full Council meeting. Karen has also worked on School Transport Appeals, the School Organisation Committee and Fire Authority meetings.

I wish them both well for the future.

3. Record Office looks after Jane Austen treasures

Rare and precious Jane Austen family archives have been put into the care of the Hampshire's Record Office for safe keeping by The Trustees of [Jane Austen's House Museum](#).

Manuscript material deposited includes eight music books known to have been enjoyed by Jane, family correspondence, a manuscript verse book given to Cassandra Austen in 1837 and a notebook containing Caroline Austen's recollections are amongst the collection.

4. Hampshire pupils do well in national tests

Hampshire pupils have done well in national tests at Key Stage 2, their final year in primary school, according to the figures released in December by the Department for Education. The figures show the highest scores ever for the achievement of Hampshire pupils in Key Stage 2 tests.

5. Faster broadband gets the green light in Hampshire

Hampshire County Council's proposals for faster broadband in Hampshire have been accepted. Hampshire is to get £5 million of the £8.4 million that the Government set aside for the region, including Portsmouth, Southampton and the Isle of Wight. The County Council submitted its revised local broadband plan to Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) in November last year and the £5 million of government funding is to be matched by local public and private finance

6. Hampshire's Diamond Jubilee Plans

Schoolchildren across Hampshire will be planting hundreds of trees to commemorate Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee. To date 500 schools have accepted our offer to provide them with a young tree to mark 60 years of The Queen's reign. Schools also will be given stakes, fertiliser and information about tree planting and maintenance so that their pupils can celebrate this event and learn about the importance of trees within the ecosystem.

We have been working with The Woodland Trust and the Hampshire Gardens Trust to provide the sapling trees which predominantly will be oak trees.

The tree offer has also been extended to Parish Councils and so far 50 have said they would like one.

7. Consistently good and strongly performing adoption services

Ofsted inspectors have awarded Safeguarding services and services for children in care in Hampshire a good with outstanding features judgment.

The recruitment processes, the experienced and well-qualified social workers who are part of the Adoption team, and the range of health and support services available to adopted children, were all highlighted for praise by Ofsted inspectors.

END

APPENDIX 3**County Council Meeting - 23 February 2012****Item 11****Budget Proposals 2012/13-Leaders Budget Items****Paragraph 1.18 – Revenue Budget Report****Corporate Policy Reserve Allocation**

	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Recurring Allocations			
Rural Grants	200	200	200
Internship Plus Funding	500	500	500
School & College Leavers / Learning Disability Scheme	300	300	300
Speech Therapy - School Age Children	400	400	400
Speech Therapy - Children Centres under 5's	500	500	500
Youth Activity	100	100	100
Adults Contribution Policy	1,000	1,000	1,000
One-Off Allocations			
Funding for Troubled Families Initiative - (Fixed 3 Year Period)	300	300	300
Management Development	500	500	
Library Transition	145		
Local Community Bidding Budget	200		
Total Allocations	4,145	3,800	3,300

APPENDIX 4

Hampshire County Council	
23 February 2012	Item 11
Revenue Budget 2012/13	
Liberal Democrat Amendment	

Summary

1. The purpose of this amendment is to:

- invest in Hampshire's **young people and families** by reversing the Conservative administration's cuts to Children's Centres and Youth Services;
- protect **older residents** through returning needed funding to Adult Care Services;
- improve safety by increasing funding for **pavement and verge repairs**;
- support **rural communities** by increasing investment in bus services;
- take a lead on tackling **fuel poverty and energy conservation** by promoting the Green Deal; and
- see **increased library hours** throughout the County by recruiting and training volunteers to assist professional staff and help **protect the book fund**.

Amendment to the 2012/13 revenue budget

2. That it be an amendment to recommendation (c) in Para 7 of item 11 on the revenue budget and precept for 2012/13:

a) Additions to budgets – ongoing improvements in service:

Children's Services	£'000
Children's Centres & Youth Services	5,000
- reversing the cuts in service at Children's Centres across Hampshire, supporting children and young families as an investment in their future. - reversing the cuts in general youth services and thereby reinstating the 2010/11 provision of support for youth and thereby encouraging sport and	

community activity and reducing anti-social behaviour.

Adult Services	£'000
• Adult Care	10,000
- reinstating a substantial part of the removed budget for care services including a review to reduce the worst effects of the increase in care charges.	

Environment

Pavement (Footway) Maintenance	2,000
- to fund additional maintenance on footways.	
Rural Bus Services	1,000
- to increase provision for much-needed bus services in rural areas.	
The Green Deal	1,000
- to take a lead in the implementation of the Green Deal to reduce fuel poverty, and to assist in the generation of renewable energy.	
Total addition to amended budgets for ongoing improvements	19,000

b) To be financed by reductions to budgets:

	£'000
• Reduction in Publicity and Corporate Communications costs throughout the County Council	350
- further reduction in corporate communications along with axing "Hampshire Now"	
• Travel	250
- targeted reduction in mileage including ending the budget for chauffeur-driven cars for councillors	
• Energy	400
- targeted reduction in council-wide consumption	
• Contingency	18,000
- reduction in revenue contingency budget on the basis that risk of contingency use is consolidated	
To finance on-going improvements in service	<u>19,000</u>

c) One-off addition to budgets financed from the general fund balance

Libraries**Library Opening Hours**

500

- increased library hours throughout the County by recruiting volunteers to assist professional staff

Total addition to amended budgets for one-off improvements

500

Proposed:**Seconded:**

Councillor Keith House
Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group

Councillor Brian Dash

APPENDIX 5

**Hampshire County Council Pay Policy Statement
for financial year 2012 – 2013
– revision in consequence of Statutory Guidance**

1. Section 40 of the Localism Act 2011 requires that in performing its functions under the Localism Act, the County Council must have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State. The Pay Statement at Item 13 on the Agenda was prepared having regard to guidance issued by the Secretary of State. At the time, however, the guidance was in draft form. Since publication of the papers for the Council Meeting final guidance has in the last few days been issued. Two additional points arise in the final guidance which need, for reasons of good governance, to be addressed in the Pay Statement.
2. The first point addresses a concern of Government to minimise tax avoidance, particularly in senior public sector pay arrangements. Local authorities are advised within their Pay Statements to include their policy towards remuneration arrangements which minimise the payment of tax and national insurance contributions.
3. In light of this point it is suggested that the following additional wording is included at the end of paragraph 39 of the Pay Statement.

“No Chief Officer as defined at paragraphs 25-28 of this Pay Statement will be employed by the County Council on terms and conditions which allow such an officer to be an employee of the County Council, whilst operating in practice as a limited company for taxation reasons.”
4. The second point is purely technical, and involves the substitution of the word “mean” with the word “median”, at the last but one line at paragraph 40 of the Pay Policy Statement, in respect of the publication of pay multiples.

APPENDIX 6**Amendments to the Constitution: Part 2, Chapter 3, paragraph 3 –
Responsibility for Executive Functions**

Responsible Person	Function
Executive Member for Strategic Development	Overall strategy and policy for corporate organisational improvement, public service development and new models of delivery. Primary Departmental Links – departments of the County Council with links to the delivery of corporate services. Service Area Responsibilities – services within the above departmental remit areas. Functional areas – those activities that relate to corporate services, shared services and wider trading activities, with an emphasis on strategic opportunities, partnerships and new business