

Minutes

At a meeting of the Full Council held at Council Chamber, County Hall, Preston,
on Thursday, 11 February, 2016

Present:

County Councillor Margaret Brindle (Chairman)

County Councillors

T Aldridge	J Gibson	M Parkinson
A Ali	G Gooch	N Penney
T Ashton	M Green	S Perkins
A Atkinson	J Hanson	M Perks
A Barnes	Dr M Hassan	C Pritchard
M Barron	P Hayhurst	S Prynne
L Beavers	C Henig	P Rigby
D Borrow	N Hennessy	A Schofield
P Britcliffe	S Holgate	K Sedgewick
I Brown	D Howarth	S Serridge
K Brown	K Iddon	J Shedwick
T Brown	M Iqbal	R Shewan
P Buckley	A James	D T Smith
T Burns	M Johnstone	K Snape
Mrs S Charles	A Jones	D Stansfield
A Cheetham	A Kay	J Sumner
A Clempson	J Lawrenson	V Taylor
D Clifford	D Lord	M Tomlinson
Mrs F Craig-Wilson	T Martin	C Wakeford
C Crompton	J Mein	D Watts
M Dad	G Molineux	D Westley
B Dawson	Y Motala	D Whipp
F De Molfetta	B Murray	P White
C Dereli	R Newman-Thompson	G Wilkins
G Dowding	D O'Toole	B Winlow
G Driver	Mrs L Oades	B Yates
K Ellard	J Oakes	
J Fillis	M Otter	

1. Apologies and Announcements

Apologies for absence were presented on behalf of County Councillor M Devaney

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

County Councillor Margaret Brindle, declared a pecuniary interest in item 3 as Chairman of the County Council and she withdrew from the meeting during consideration of the item.

The Vice Chairman, County Councillor Janice Hanson, took the Chair.

3. Motion Submitted by County Councillor Geoff Driver CBE

It was moved by County Councillor Geoff Driver and seconded by County Councillor Albert Atkinson that:

"Council is concerned at the wilful, persistent and continued failure of the Chairman to interpret the Rules of Debate in accordance with the Council's Constitution and therefore calls on her to resign as Chairman of Lancashire County Council with immediate effect."

Following a period of debate the Motion was put to the vote and six County Councillors requested a recorded vote in accordance with procedural Standing Order 15.2 (9.4).

The names of county councillors who voted for or against the Motion and those who abstained are set out below:

For (34)

T Ashton	G Gooch	K Sedgewick
A Atkinson	M Green	J Shedwick
M Barron	K Iddon	D Smith
P Britcliffe	A James	D Stansfield
K Brown	T Jones	V Taylor
I Brown	A Kay	C Wakeford
P Buckley	J Lawrenson	D Westley
S Charles	D O'Toole	P White
A Cheetham	M Otter	G Wilkins
A Clempson	M Perks	B Yates
F Craig-Wilson	P Rigby	
G Driver	A Schofield	

Against (48)

T Aldridge	J Gibson	R Newman-Thompson
A Ali	J Hanson	E Oades
A Barnes	M Hassan	J Oakes
L Beavers	P Hayhurst	M Parkinson
D Borrow	C Henig	N Penney
T Brown	N Hennessy	S Perkins
T Burns	S Holgate	C Pritchard
D Clifford	D Howarth	S Prynne
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The Motion was therefore not carried and it was,

Resolved: That the Motion was lost.

County Councillor Brindle re-joined the meeting and returned to the Chair.

4. Motion Submitted by County Councillor Tim Ashton

It was moved by County Councillor Tim Ashton and seconded by County Councillor David Smith that:

"Lancashire County Council is known for having one of the best library services in the country. It also owns some important museums which are an important part of the county's heritage. Following the recent Cabinet meeting, Council is concerned that there will be an insufficient consultation period before closures of libraries and museums are made.

Council therefore resolves that an extended consultation period should be implemented to allow alternative delivery mechanisms to be explored. Options to be considered should include, but not be limited to, charitable trusts, the private sector, voluntary sector and partnerships."

County Councillor David Borrow moved the following **Amendment** which was seconded by County Councillor Jennifer Mein:

Delete the text after the word Council in the third line and replace it with:

"...notes the extensive ongoing consultation that has been agreed before a final decision will be made on the configuration of the library service. Council also notes that the period for expressions of interest in the County Council's libraries,

museums and other services ends in late March and believes alternative delivery mechanisms such as charitable trusts and transfers to the voluntary and community sectors should be considered."

On being put to the vote the Amendment was carried and became the Substantive Motion.

The Substantive Motion was put to the vote and was carried and it was therefore,

Resolved: That,

"Lancashire County Council is known for having one of the best library services in the country. It also owns some important museums which are an important part of the county's heritage. Following the recent Cabinet meeting, Council notes the extensive ongoing consultation that has been agreed before a final decision will be made on the configuration of the library service. Council also notes that the period for expressions of interest in the County Council's libraries, museums and other services ends in late March and believes alternative delivery mechanisms such as charitable trusts and transfers to the voluntary and community sectors should be considered."

Budget Meeting

As this meeting concluded at 1.30pm, the Chairman delayed the scheduled start of the Budget meeting for one hour until 2.30pm

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