

**BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER 2008, AT 6.00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs. C. J. Spencer (Chairman), C. R. Scurrell (Vice-Chairman), Mrs. J. M. Boswell (during part of Minute No.79/08 (i) and Minute No. 79/08 (ii) only), Miss D. H. Campbell JP, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, Mrs. R. L. Dent, Mrs. A. E. Doyle (during part of Minute No.79/08 (i) and Minute No. 79/08 (ii) only), Mrs. J. M. L. A. Griffiths, D. Hancox, Ms. H. J. Jones, B. Lewis F.CMI (during part of Minute No.79/08 (i) and Minute No. 79/08 (ii) only), Dr. G. H. Lord, Ms. J. A. Marshall, Mrs. C. M. McDonald, P. M. McDonald, D. McGrath (during part of Minute No.79/08 (i) and Minute No. 79/08 (ii) only), E. J. Murray, D. L. Pardoe, S. R. Peters, S. P. Shannon, Mrs. M. A. Sherrey JP, R. D. Smith (during part of Minute No.79/08 (i) and Minute No. 79/08 (ii) only), E. C. Tibby, C. J. Tidmarsh (during part of Minute No.79/08 (i) and Minute No. 79/08 (ii) only), M. J. A. Webb, P. J. Whittaker and C. J. K. Wilson

75/08 **PRAYER**

At the request of the Chairman, Councillor Dr. G. H. Lord opened the meeting with a prayer.

76/08 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dr. D. W. P. Booth, Mrs. M. Bunker, J. T. Duddy, Mrs J. Dyer M.B.E., R. Hollingworth, Mrs. J. D. Luck, C. B. Taylor and L. J. Turner and Mr. K. Dicks.

77/08 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12th November 2008 were submitted.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes be approved as a correct record, subject to the amendment of the typographical error in the list of Members present to read Minute No. 66/08 not 66/88.

78/08 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

During Minute No. 79/08 (Recommendations from the Cabinet - Bromsgrove District Council Response to the Regional Spatial Strategy Phase 2 Revision Preferred Option), at the point where he joined the meeting, Councillor R. D. Smith declared a personal interest in this matter as an employee of a social housing provider.

79/08 **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 3RD DECEMBER 2008**

(i) **BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL RESPONSE TO THE REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY PHASE 2 REVISION PREFERRED OPTION**

The Cabinet's recommendations with regard to the Council's response to the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) Phase 2 Revision Preferred Option were moved by Councillor Mrs. J. M. L. A. Griffiths and seconded by Councillor G. N. Denaro. In response to a request raised by Councillor P. M. McDonald it was agreed that each recommendation be dealt with in turn.

On a requisition made under Council Procedure Rule 17.5, the following details of voting were recorded with regard to recommendation (a)

For recommendation (a): Councillors A. N. Blagg, Mrs. J. M. Boswell, Miss D. H. Campbell, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, Mrs. R. L. Dent, Mrs. A. E. Doyle, Mrs. J. M. L. A. Griffiths, D. Hancox, Ms. H. J. Jones, B. Lewis, Dr. G. H. Lord, D. McGrath, D. L. Pardoe, S. R. Peters, C. R. Scurrall, Mrs. M. A. Sherrey, E. C. Tibby, M. J. A. Webb, and P. J. Whittaker (21).

Against recommendation (a): Councillors Ms. J. A. Marshall, Mrs. C. M. McDonald, P. M. McDonald, E. J. Murray, S. P. Shannon and C. J. K. Wilson (6).

On a requisition made under Council Procedure Rule 17.5, the following details of voting were recorded with regard to recommendation (b)

For recommendation (b): Councillors A. N. Blagg, Mrs. J. M. Boswell, Miss D. H. Campbell, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, Mrs. R. L. Dent, Mrs. A. E. Doyle, Mrs. J. M. L. A. Griffiths, D. Hancox, Ms. H. J. Jones, B. Lewis, Dr. G. H. Lord, D. McGrath, D. L. Pardoe, S. R. Peters, C. R. Scurrall, Mrs. M. A. Sherrey, E. C. Tibby, M. J. A. Webb, and P. J. Whittaker (21).

Against recommendation (b): Councillors Ms. J. A. Marshall, Mrs. C. M. McDonald, P. M. McDonald, E. J. Murray, S. P. Shannon and C. J. K. Wilson (6).

On a requisition made under Council Procedure Rule 17.5, the following details of voting were recorded with regard to recommendation (c)

For recommendation (c): Councillors A. N. Blagg, Mrs. J. M. Boswell, Miss D. H. Campbell, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, Mrs.

R. L. Dent, Mrs. A. E. Doyle, Mrs. J. M. L. A. Griffiths, D. Hancox, Ms. H. J. Jones, B. Lewis, Dr. G. H. Lord, Ms. J. A. Marshall, Mrs. C. M. McDonald, P. M. McDonald, D. McGrath, E. J. Murray, D. L. Pardoe, S. R. Peters, C. R. Scurrrell, Mrs. M. A. Sherrey, E. C. Tibby, M. J. A. Webb, P. J. Whittaker and C. J. K. Wilson (26).

Against recommendation (c): Councillor S. P. Shannon (1);

Abstention: Councillor R. D. Smith (1).

On a requisition made under Council Procedure Rule 17.5, the following details of voting were recorded with regard to recommendation (d)

For recommendation (d): Councillors A. N. Blagg, Mrs. J. M. Boswell, Miss D. H. Campbell, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, Mrs. R. L. Dent, Mrs. A. E. Doyle, Mrs. J. M. L. A. Griffiths, D. Hancox, Ms. H. J. Jones, B. Lewis, Dr. G. H. Lord, Ms. J. A. Marshall, Mrs. C. M. McDonald, P. M. McDonald, D. McGrath, E. J. Murray, D. L. Pardoe, S. R. Peters, C. R. Scurrrell, Mrs. M. A. Sherrey, S. P. Shannon, R. D. Smith, M. J. A. Webb, P. J. Whittaker and C. J. K. Wilson (28);

Against recommendation (d): (0).

On a requisition made under Council Procedure Rule 17.5, the following details of voting were recorded with regard to recommendation (e)

For recommendation (e): Councillors A. N. Blagg, Mrs. J. M. Boswell, Miss D. H. Campbell, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, Mrs. R. L. Dent, Mrs. A. E. Doyle, Mrs. J. M. L. A. Griffiths, D. Hancox, Ms. H. J. Jones, B. Lewis, Dr. G. H. Lord, Ms. J. A. Marshall, Mrs. C. M. McDonald, P. M. McDonald, D. McGrath, E. J. Murray, D. L. Pardoe, S. R. Peters, C. R. Scurrrell, Mrs. M. A. Sherrey, S. P. Shannon, R. D. Smith, C. J. Tidmarsh, M. J. A. Webb, P. J. Whittaker and C. J. K. Wilson (29);

Against recommendation (e): (0).

**RESOLVED** that the Council's response to the RSS Phase 2 Revision preferred option be as set out in Appendix 1 to the report including the specific representation on the issues set out below. It is understood that elements of this response concur with the views of Redditch Borough Council.

- (a) that this Council objects to the level of Redditch related housing and employment growth to be provided within Bromsgrove and /or Stratford, in locations adjacent to Redditch town, when alternative more strategically viable sites within the District are available;

- (b) that this Council objects to the designation of Redditch as a Settlement of Significant Development, particularly in relation to the future implications for this growth within Bromsgrove's Green Belt;
- (c) that this Council is concerned that the low housing allocation for Bromsgrove District up to 2026 will not allow the District to address its well documented affordable housing needs and those of the increasingly elderly population;
- (d) that in response to (c) above and on the basis of the attached supporting documentation (Appendix 1), this Council requests a higher housing allocation of up to 4000 housing units for Bromsgrove District, to be located in suitable sustainable locations to be determined by the Council through the Spatial Planning Process;
- (e) that this Council is concerned that if the RSS does allocate housing and employment land to the periphery of Redditch town, the RSS should as far as possible clearly determine the exact requirements to be developed in the Bromsgrove, Redditch and Stratford Districts.

(ii) **BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL RESPONSE TO THE NATHANIEL LICHFIELD PARTNERSHIP ADDITIONAL HOUSING GROWTH STUDY**

**RESOLVED** that the Council's response to the Nathaniel Lichfield Partnership Additional Housing Growth Study be as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

The meeting closed at 6.50 p.m.

Chairman