TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL

At a special meeting of the Taunton Deane Borough Council held in the Principal Committee Room, The Deane House, Belvedere Road, Taunton on 8 June 2006 at 6.15p.m.

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Hindley)

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Hayward)

Councillors Mrs Allgrove, Beaven, Bishop, Mrs Bradley, N Cavill, Clark, Coles, Davies, Garner, Guerrier, Hall, Henley, C Hill, Mrs Marie Hill, House, Leighton, Mrs Lewin-Harris, Lisgo, Meijkle, Morrell, Mullins, Paul, Phillips, Slattery, Mrs Smith, P Smith, Stuart-Thorn, Vail, Wedderkopp, Williams and Mrs Wilson

16. Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 10 May 2006, copies having been sent to each member, were signed by the Mayor.

17. Apologies

Councillors Bone, Bowrah, Denington, Govier, Lees, Prior-Sankey, Watson, and Weston.

18. Councillor Denington

Councillor Meikle informed members that Councillor Denington would be moving from Dene Barton shortly in order to continue convalescing at Kilkenny Court, Taunton

19. Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for item number 4 on the Agenda because of the likelihood that exempt information would otherwise be disclosed relating to Clause 12 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

(Councillor Williams declared a prejudicial interest in the following item as a subject of relevant correspondence and left the meeting whilst the item below was considered).

20. Proposed ASBO – Mr S Robins

Consideration was given to action being taken to obtain an Anti-Social Behaviour Order against Mr S Robins in connection with his breaches of the ban on his entering the Deane House and in connection with the anti-social behaviour he had undertaken in displaying his various placards in and around Taunton.

Mr Robins had had issues with the Council going back to the early 1990's. Despite many attempts to resolve the situation, the position had now been reached where it was felt that the only means of controlling Mr Robins' behaviour was by seeking an Anti-Social Behaviour Order.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) the Council apply for an Anti-Social Behaviour Order, including an interim order, against Mr S Robins in order to protect its staff;
- (b) the Head of Corporate Services, in consultation with the Deputy Leader, be authorised to agree to adapt or amend the proposed Orders if circumstances change between the Council's consideration of this matter and the hearing of the Council's application for the Orders.
- (c) the Council take such other measures as may be necessary to assist with this course of action.

The meeting ended at 6.50p.m.

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