

COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Council Acting as the Registration Authority, on Wednesday, 9 February 2011 in the Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall

Present: Councillors Wright, Jones, Austin, Balmer, P. Blackmore, M. Bradshaw, J. Bradshaw, Browne, Bryant, D. Cargill, E. Cargill, Carlin, Dennett, Edge, Findon, Fry, J. Gerrard, Harris, Hignett, Hodge, Hodgkinson, Howard, Inch, M Lloyd Jones, P. Lloyd Jones, Loftus, A. Lowe, J. Lowe, Macmanus, McInerney, Morley, Murray, Nelson, Nolan, Norddahl, Osborne, Parker, Polhill, Redhead, Roberts, Rowe, Shepherd, Stockton, Swain, Thompson, Wainwright, Wallace and Wharton

Apologies for Absence: Councillors A. Gerrard, Horabin, Leadbetter, McDermott, Philbin, E. Ratcliffe and M. Ratcliffe

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: M. Reaney, A. Scott, D. Johnson, I. Leivesley, G. Meehan, D. Parr and D. Tregea

Also in attendance: None

Action

COU76 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

The Council considered:

- (1) whether Members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Council during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- (2) whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and

exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it is likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information will be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

COU77 VILLAGE GREEN APPLICATION HALEBANK (2)

The Council considered a report of the Operational Director, Legal and Democratic Services on the Village Green Application – Halebank (2).

RESOLVED: That

- 1) the decision of the Council of 20th October 2010 on the Second Application made under the Commons Act 2006 by Mrs Florence Hurley and dated 3rd June 2007 in respect of land at Halebank, edged blue on the attached plan, be not designated as Village Green for the purposes of Part 1 of the Commons Act 2006 on the grounds of lack of evidence of qualifying usage specific to that area, be set aside; and
- 2) the Operational Director Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Leader of the Council, be authorised to take such further steps as may be required to enable the Council to reconsider the Second Application made by Mrs Hurley.

Operational
Director, Legal
and Democratic
Services

Meeting ended at 7.34 a.m.