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**COUNCIL – 25 MAY 2017**  
**DECISION LIST**



EAST  
CAMBRIDGESHIRE  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Prior to the commencement of formal business, a one minute silence was observed for the victims of the Manchester Arena bombing and prayers were delivered by the Reverend Mike Banyard, Vicar of the Three Rivers Group of Parishes.

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1.	-	Public Question Time	To answer questions from members of the public.	No public questions were submitted.	-
2.	-	Election of Chairman 2017/18	-	It was resolved: That Cllr Peter Cresswell be elected to the office of Chairman of East Cambridgeshire District Council for the ensuing Municipal Year 2017/18.	-
3.	-	Apologies for Absence	-	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Cresswell, Green, Tom Hunt and Joshua Schumann.	-
4.	-	Appointment of Vice-Chairman 2017/18	-	It was resolved: That Cllr Elisabeth Every be appointed as Vice-Chairman of East Cambridgeshire District Council for the municipal year 2017/18.  <b><i>Vice-Chairman in the Chair</i></b>	-

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5.	-	Vote of Thanks to Outgoing Chairman and Presentation of Past Chairman's Medallion and Scroll	To give a vote of thanks to the outgoing Chairman.	<p>The Chairman thanked the outgoing Chairman, Cllr Michael Allan, for his devotion and hard work in performing his role as Chairman and his civic/ceremonial duties over the past two years. The Chairman referred to some of the events Councillor Allan had hosted or attended over his period as Chairman of the Council. The Leader of the Council, Councillor Charles Roberts, also paid tribute to Councillor Allan stating that he had been an excellent ambassador representing the Council and residents of East Cambridgeshire and had demonstrated great diligence and care in the role. As a past Chairman, Councillor Hobbs acknowledged and commended the way Councillor Allan had discharged his duties.</p> <p>The Chairman presented Cllr Allan with a framed scroll detailing a resolution of thanks to the outgoing Chairman of the Council, a past Chairman's badge and an East Cambridgeshire District Council pill pot emblazoned with the Council's crest. The Chairman then presented Cllr Allan's wife with a bouquet from the Council as a token of the Council's appreciation for her duties as Consort during his term as Chairman of Council.</p> <p>Councillor Allan addressed the Council and</p>	-

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				expressed the honour, privilege and enjoyment he had experienced in undertaking the role and thanked all those who had helped him, with particular thanks to his Personal Assistant Lynne Smart and to his wife for acting as his consort over the two years.	
6.	-	Declarations of Interest	To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any items on the Agenda in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct.	There were no declarations of interest received.	-
7.	-	Minutes –11 April 2017	-	It was resolved: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 11 April 2017 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.	-
8.	-	Chairman's Announcements	Announcement of items of interest.	The Chairman made the following announcements: <u>Election of former Councillor James Palmer as Mayor of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority &amp; Soham North Bye-Election</u>  Following the election of former Councillor James Palmer as Mayor of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, the Bye-Election for his vacant Soham North seat will be held on Thursday 22 June 2017 and the Count will take place on that evening at the Walter	-

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				<p>Gidney Pavilion in Soham.</p> <p>I am sure that all Councillors would like to join me in congratulating James on his election to this challenging new role and expressing our sincere thanks to him for the outstanding manner in which he has discharged his duties as a Soham District Councillor since 2007 and more recently as Leader of this Council for the past 4 years.</p> <p>The Leader of the Council, Councillor Charles Roberts, and Councillor Bill Hunt also spoke in tribute about James Palmer.</p> <p><u>Agenda Item 15b – Combined Authority Update Report</u></p> <p>Councillors may recall that at the Council meeting on 16 November 2016, as part of the resolutions relating to the establishment of the Combined Authority, it was:</p> <p><i>‘agreed in principle, for a protocol requiring the Council Leader and the representative on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to report to each meeting of Council setting out the activities and decisions related to their respective roles within the Combined Authority.’</i></p> <p>In accordance with that resolution, this item</p>	

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				<p>has been placed on the Agenda and will appear on future Council agendas, to allow the appointees to the Combined Authority to give an update on the activities of the Combined Authority body they are serving on and answer any questions from Councillors on the subject.</p> <p><u>Committee Meetings following this Council meeting</u></p> <p>Please can I remind Members to stay behind at the conclusion of this Council meeting, as there will be a series of 'mini' Committee meetings to elect the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, appoint Sub-Committees, etc, and Service Delivery Champions for the forthcoming year.</p>	
9.	-	Petitions	To receive public petitions.	No petitions had been received.	-
10.	-	Notice of Motions Under Procedure Rule 10	To receive and consider any motions from Members.	No motions were received under Council Procedure Rule 10.	-

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11.	-	To answer Questions from Members	To receive questions from Members of Council.	No questions had been received from Members.	-
12.	S1	Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council, Group Leaders and Deputies	To receive details of the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council; Political Groups; Group Leaders and Deputies for the forthcoming year.	<p>It was resolved:</p> <p>That the details of the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council; Political Groups; Group Leaders and Deputies for the forthcoming municipal year, as set out below, be noted:</p> <p><u>Conservative</u></p> <p>Cllr Charles Roberts (Leader) Cllr Anna Bailey (Deputy)</p> <p><u>Liberal Democrat</u></p> <p>Cllr Lorna Dupré (Leader) Cllr Sue Austen (Deputy)</p> <p>In accordance with Article 2.03(b), the declared Leader of the Council is Cllr Charles Roberts as Leader of the Conservative Group. In accordance with Article 2.03(c), the declared Deputy Leader</p>	Democratic Services Manager

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				of the Council is Cllr Anna Bailey as Deputy Leader of the Conservative Group.	
13.	S2	Political Proportionality	To receive details of the political balance of the Council and the implications for the allocation of seats on Committees.	It was resolved:  That Council notes the details of the political balance of the Council as set out in Appendix 1 and approves the allocation of seats on Committees, Sub-Committees and other Member Bodies as set out in the revised Appendix 2 to the report tabled at the meeting (by a unanimous vote).	Democratic Services Manager
14.	S3	Membership of Committees and Sub-Committees (including Substitutes) and Other Member Bodies 2017/18	To consider the appointment of Members and substitutes to Committees, Sub-Committees and to other Member bodies for 2017/18.	It was resolved:  That Council:  (i) Revises the membership of the Local Plan Working Group from 8 to 6 Members, specifically 5 Conservative and 1 Liberal Democrat;  (ii) Approves the Membership of Committees, Sub-Committees and other Member Bodies for 2017/18 as set out in the revised Appendix 1 tabled at the meeting.	Democratic Services Manager
15.	S4	Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority	To make appointments to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority for the municipal year 2017/18.	It was resolved:  1. That the following appointments be made to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority	Democratic Services

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		a. Appointments to Combined Authority		<p>for the municipal year 2017/18:</p> <p>(a) the Leader of Council Councillor Charles Roberts to act as the Council's appointee to the Combined Authority and the Deputy Leader of the Council Councillor Anna Bailey to act as the substitute member;</p> <p>(b) Councillors Mike Bradley and Alan Sharp from the Conservative party to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and Councillors Julia Huffer and Chris Morris as substitute members from the same political party as those appointed;</p> <p>(c) Councillor Chris Morris from the Conservative party to the Audit and Governance Committee and Councillor Alan Sharp as substitute member from the same political party.</p> <p>2. That the Chief Executive be authorised to make any amendments to the appointments to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Audit and</p>	Manager



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				Governance Committee, if the political balance is amended by the Combined Authority between now and the next Council meeting.	
15.		b. Combined Authority Update Report	To receive an update on the activities of the Combined Authority from the Council's appointees.	It was resolved: That the reports on the activities of the Combined Authority from the Council's appointees be noted.	-