

**At a meeting of the CABINET held in the CIVIC CENTRE (COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 1) on Thursday 25 August 2011 at 2.00 p.m.**

**Present:-**

Councillor P. Watson in the Chair

Councillors Allan, Blackburn, Charlton, Gofton, Kelly, P. Smith, Speding, Trueman and T. Wright

**Part I**

**Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 20 July 2011, Part I (copy circulated) were submitted.

(For copy report - see original minutes).

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**Receipt of Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest declared at the meeting.

**Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

**Honorary Freedom of the City**

The Chief Executive and the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services submitted a report (copy circulated) to consider recommending to Council to formally to confer the Honorary Freedom of the City under Section 249 (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, upon Mr. John Mawston, Sir Bob Murray CBE and Sir Peter Vardy.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

The Chairman highlighted that the report requests the Cabinet to consider making a recommendation to Council to confer the Honorary Freedom of the City to ex-Councillor John Mawston, Sir Bob Murray CBE and Sir Peter Vardy in recognition of their distinction or eminent services, namely:-

- § John Mawston for his contributions to culture and leisure in his local community and within the City,
- § Sir Bob Murray for his contributions to football, education and charitable causes within the City, and
- § Sir Peter Vardy for his contributions to business and education.

The Chairman reported that the three nominations had the support of all three of the Council's political groups and all three nominees were worthy to join other eminent Freemen such as Charles Slater, Kate Adie, Ram Banerjee, Sir Tom Cowie, Denise Robertson and Lord Puttnam. He explained that this was a high honour bestowed by the Council and that the Council did not exercise this power often or lightly.

Cabinet Members having also been advised that the report seeks authorisation for the Chief Executive to make appropriate arrangements for the formal ceremony to be held at an extraordinary meeting of the Council on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2011, it was:-

2. RESOLVED that it be recommended to the Council to:-
  - (i) agree to confer, in accordance with the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Mr John Mawston, Sir Bob Murray CBE and Sir Peter Vardy, and
  - (ii) authorise the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to agree all appropriate arrangements for the formal ceremony at an extraordinary meeting of the Council to be held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2011.

## **Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006**

At the instance of the Chairman, it was:-

3. RESOLVED that in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 the public be excluded during consideration of the remaining business as it was considered to involve a likely disclosure of information relating to any individual, which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual, the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) and to consultations or negotiations in connection with labour relations matters arising between the Authority (Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4).

(Signed) P. WATSON,  
Chairman.

### **Note:-**

The above minutes comprise only those relating to items during which the meeting was open to the public.

Additional minutes in respect of other items are included in Part II.