

**STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**

**Date: Tuesday 19 November 2013**  
**Time: 6.00 p.m.**  
**Place: Shimkent Room**

**Present:** Employer Side: Councillors Mrs J Lloyd, J Gardner, A Webb and R Raynor.

Staff Side: D Nicholson, D Togwell and D Wenham.

**In Attendance:** S Older – UNISON Area Organiser

**Start/End Time:** Start Time: 18.00 hrs.  
End Time 18.55 hrs.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of R Gates – UNITE Regional Officer.

There were no declarations of interest.

**2. APPOINTMENT OF PERSON TO PRESIDE AT THE MEETING**

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Mrs J Lloyd be appointed as Chairman for the meeting.

**3. MINUTES – 27 NOVEMBER 2012**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 November 2012, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**4. URGENT PART I BUSINESS**

None.

**5. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was **RESOLVED**:

1. That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraph 4 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by SI2006 No.88.

2. That notwithstanding the resolution at 1 above, Sam Older, UNISON Regional Officer, be allowed to remain in the meeting as an adviser to the Staff Side.

3. That having considered the reasons for the following items of business being in Part II it be determined that maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighed the public interest in disclosure.

**6. PART II MINUTES – 27 NOVEMBER 2012**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Part II Minutes of the meeting held on 27 November 2013, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**7. PRIORITY BASED BUDGETING CONCERNS**

Appendix A from the Part II Priority Based Budgeting (PBB) report considered at the Executive on 4 November 2013 that detailed the savings considered for the next three financial years was circulated for reference.

The Staff Side and the UNISON Regional Officer questioned the Employer's Side and Officers on the content and implementation of the proposals arising from the PBB report.

The Employer's Side and Officers responded to points raised.

It was **RESOLVED** that the questions and issues raised, and the responses given, be noted.

**8. URGENT PART II BUSINESS**

None

**Chair**