## COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Council on Wednesday, 22 August 2018 in the Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall

Present: Councillors J. Bradshaw, Baker, M. Bradshaw, D. Cargill, E. Cargill, Carlin, Cassidy, Dennett, Fry, Gilligan, Harris, P. Hignett, R. Hignett, S. Hill, V. Hill, Howard, Leck, Logan, MacManus, McDermott, Nelson, Nolan, Polhill, Joe Roberts, June Roberts, G. Stockton, J. Stockton, Teeling, Thompson, Wainwright, Wall, Wallace, Wharton, Whitley, Woolfall, Wright and Zygadllo

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Abbott, Horabin, Jones, M. Lloyd Jones, P. Lloyd Jones, C. Loftus, K. Loftus, A. Lowe, J. Lowe, A. McInerney, T. McInerney, Morley, Philbin, C. Plumpton Walsh, N. Plumpton Walsh, Rowe and Sinnott

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: I. Leivesley, M. Vasic, M. Reaney and A. Scott

Also in attendance: One member of the press

Action

## COU27 MINUTE'S SILENCE

The Council stood for a minute's silence in memory of the late Honorary Alderman Reg Eastup.

The Mayor reported that the funeral had taken place earlier that day at Walton Lea Crematorium, Warrington.

## COU28 COUNCIL MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of Council held on 11 July 2018, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

## COU29 WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW

Council considered a report of the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources, on the Council's proposals for the Ward Boundary Review.

An Electoral Review was being undertaken by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (the Commission). The review had been triggered by a significant increase in the average electorate in the Farnworth Ward in

Widnes. The report set out the ward boundary review process, which would be undertaken in four stages.

The Council had already submitted its views on what it believed was an appropriate Council size for Halton at the preliminary stage in May 2018. The second stage was a consultation on ward patterns. The Council's proposals for those arrangements were attached to the report for consideration by Members.

An amendment, details of which were tabled at the meeting, was proposed by Councillor Gareth Stockton, but was not seconded.

Council then voted on the recommendation set out in the report and it was

**RESOLVED: That** 

- Council endorses the submission, attached to the report, and that it be submitted to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England; and
- Strategic Director
   Enterprise,
  Community and
  Resources
- 2) the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader, be authorised to make minor drafting arrangements to the submission, prior to forwarding it to the Commission.

Meeting ended at 6.35 p.m.