

**COUNCIL
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13 June 2012

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Agenda Item 3

Procedural motion on behalf of the Independent Residents' Group

Amend the minutes of the Annual Council meeting to provide a true and accurate record and to encourage orderly conduct by Members.

Minute 7 (Appointment of the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees)
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Amend last paragraph on this page to read:

The Administration, Independent Residents' Group and Residents' Group nominations for Chairmen of the following Committees were then debated. During the debate Madam Mayor only had to raise her voice once to rebuke the Council Leader and some Conservative Members for lowering the tone of the Annual Council meeting. Following the debate the nominations were put to the vote, as follows:

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PETITIONS

The Mayor has acceded to a late request from Councillor David Durant that he be permitted to present a petition.

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DEBATE ON LEADER'S STATEMENT

Procedure for the debate

In exercise of her powers to control the conduct of business at the meeting, the Mayor has determined that, in the absence of amendments to the Statement, the procedure for the debate shall be as follows.

The Leader of the Council will have 10 minutes to move that the statement be noted.

As there are no amendments, there will follow a general debate but, in this instance, each Opposition Group Leader in turn (Residents', then Labour and then Independent Residents') will be given priority, followed by any other Member who wishes to contribute; all will have 5 minutes, as usual (there will be no limit on participants but obviously repetition will be discouraged).

At the conclusion of the debate, the Leader of the Council will have a five minute right of reply.

There will not be a vote at the end, as (in the absence of amendments) there is nothing in fact to vote on.

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MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

Amendment by the Independent Residents' Group

That both the Members Code of Conduct and the Procedure for dealing with allegations be referred back to the Governance Committee for further consideration, because:

- The Members Code of Conduct reads like an Employee Code of conduct. For example: the sentence 'Members will be expected to comply with the Council's policies on Equality in Employment, Equality in Service Provision and Harassment and Bullying at Work' should not be in a Members Code of Conduct. This is because Members are elected Representatives of the People, not employees of the Council and should not be expected to comply with the Council's policies.
- The Procedure for dealing with allegations should include an appeals procedure.

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