



Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 15th January 2015 (10.30 am – 6.17 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Pauline Allan (Chairman)
Sybil Fielding (Vice-Chairman)

	Reg Adair	John Knight
	Roy Allan	Darren Langton
	John Allin	Bruce Laughton
	Chris Barnfather	Keith Longdon
A	Alan Bell	Rachel Madden
	Joyce Bosnjak	Diana Meale
	Nicki Brooks	John Ogle
	Andrew Brown	Philip Owen
	Richard Butler	Michael Payne
	Steve Calvert	John Peck JP
A	Ian Campbell	Sheila Place
A	Steve Carr	Liz Plant
	Steve Carroll	Darrell Pulk
	John Clarke	Alan Rhodes
	John Cottee	Ken Rigby
	Jim Creamer	Tony Roberts MBE
	Mrs Kay Cutts MBE	Mrs Sue Saddington
	Maureen Dobson	Andy Sissons
	Dr John Doddy	Pam Skelding
	Boyd Elliott	Martin Suthers OBE
	Kate Foale	Parry Tsimbirdis
	Stephen Garner	Gail Turner
	Glynn Gilfoyle	Keith Walker
	Kevin Greaves	Stuart Wallace
	Alice Grice	Muriel Weisz
	John Handley	Gordon Wheeler
	Colleen Harwood	John Wilkinson
	Stan Heptinstall MBE	Jacky Williams
	Tom Hollis	John Willmott
	Richard Jackson	Yvonne Woodhead
	Roger Jackson	Liz Yates
	David Kirkham	Jason Zadrozny

HONORARY ALDERMEN

Martin Brandon-Bravo OBE
Terry Butler
John Carter

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mick Burrows	(Chief Executive)
Jayne Francis–Ward	(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
Caroline Baria	(Adult Social Care, Health & Public Protection)
Anthony May	(Children, Families and Cultural Services)
Tim Gregory	(Environment and Resources)
Nigel Stevenson	(Environment and Resources)
Sara Allmond	(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
Carl Bilbey	(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
Martin Done	(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
Catherine Munro	(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
Anna Vincent	(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
Michelle Welsh	(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
Chris Kenny	(Public Health)

OPENING PRAYER

Upon the Council convening, prayers were led by the Chairman's Chaplain.

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED: 2015/001

That the Minutes of the last meeting of the County Council held on 20th November 2014 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:-

Councillor Alan Bell (other reasons)
Councillor Steve Carr (other reasons)
Councillor Ian Campbell (other reasons)

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr Mick Burrows, Chief Executive and Mr Anthony May, Corporate Director, Children, Families and Cultural Services declared private pecuniary interests in item 8 – Appointment of the Chief Executive and left the meeting during consideration of the item.

4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

(a) OLLERTON BY-ELECTION RESULT

Councillor Alan Rhodes introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of the resolution 2015/002 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Joyce Bosnjak.

RESOLVED: 2015/002

That the report be noted.

Due to a disturbance in the public gallery the Chairman adjourned the Council from 10.42am to 11.03am.

On reconvening, the Leader made a statement to the Chamber outlining the background to the demonstration.

(b) PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

National Association of Care Catering Award for Catering Team of the Year 2014

Councillor Muriel Weisz introduced the award which was won by County Enterprise Foods for their innovative work. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Weisz and presented it to Elaine Coupland – General Manager of Enterprise Foods, Jane Coleman – Marketing Officer and Site Services Officer and Lisa Holmes – Operations Supervisor (Production).

Food for Life Catering Gold Award

Councillor Sheila Place introduced the award which was won by the Schools Catering Team and builds on the Silver Award gained in 2009. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Place and presented it to Helen Fifoot – Team Manager School Catering and Kevin KcKay – Group Manager Catering and Facilities Management.

Top 100 Employers for Equality by Stonewall

Councillor Alan Rhodes introduced the award which was in recognition of the Council being ranked in the top 100 employers for Equality. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Alan Rhodes and presented it to Claire Brown – Chair of LGBT Staff Network, Karen Moss – Equality Manager and Matthew Garrard – Policy, Performance and Research Team Manager.

(c) APOLOGY

The following apology from Councillor Stan Heptinstall was read out by the Chairman.

'Councillor S Heptinstall has apologised to Councillors John Clarke, Michael Payne and Darrell Pulk for striking them with his Council papers at the Council meeting in November, which he accepts as being inappropriate behaviour. The Councillors affected by the incident have accepted the apology and the matter is now closed.'

5a. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

The following petitions were presented to the Chairman as indicated below:-

- (1) Councillor Andrew Brown regarding resurfacing of Bollards Lane, Sutton Bonington
- (2) Councillor Andrew Brown regarding traffic light provision on the A60 at Rempstone
- (3) Councillor Jacky Williams regarding parking on Windsor Street, Stapleford
- (4) Councillor Sue Saddington regarding the closure of crossings on the Great North Eastern Railway line
- (5) The Vice-Chairman regarding no fracking in Bassetlaw
- (6) Councillor Stuart Wallace regarding Hardwick Avenue, Newark
- (7) Councillor Roy Allan regarding protection of public access to the full length of Ethel Avenue, Nottingham
- (8) Councillor Andy Sissons regarding parking restrictions on Lochbuie Court, Sunnycroft Court and College Side, The Park, Mansfield
- (9) Councillor Mike Pringle regarding the closure of Bishops Court Care Home, Boughton

RESOLVED: 2015/003

That the petitions be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration in accordance with the Procedure Rules, with a report being brought back to Council in due course

5b. PETITIONS RESPONSES REPORT FROM TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: 2015/004

That the contents of the report and the actions detailed within be noted.

6. QUESTIONS

(a) QUESTIONS TO NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM FIRE AUTHORITY

No questions were received

(b) QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Three questions had been received as follows:-

- (1) from Jacky Williams regarding the number 510 Notts Bus (Councillor Kevin Greaves replied).
- (2) from Councillor Andy Sissons concerning gritting in Mansfield (Councillor Kevin Greaves replied).
- (3) from Councillor Stuart Wallace about a residents parking scheme for Earp Avenue, Newark (Councillor Kevin Greaves replied).

The full responses to these questions are set out in Appendix A.

7. CLARIFICATION OF MINUTES

The report provided Members with the opportunity to raise any matters of clarification in the Minutes of Committee meetings published since the last meeting.

Mr Mick Burrows and Mr Anthony May having both declared a private pecuniary interest, left the meeting during consideration of the following item.

8. APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Councillor Alan Rhodes introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/005 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts.

RESOLVED: 2015/005

That the appointment of Anthony May to the post of County Council Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service on the retirement of the current post holder, Mick Burrows be approved.

9. MEMBERS ALLOWANCES

Councillor Alan Rhodes introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/006 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Joyce Bosnjak.

Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts moved an amendment which was ruled invalid by the Monitoring Officer.

RESOLVED: 2015/006

That the uprate in members allowances in accordance with the current scheme be noted.

Following consideration of agenda item 9 the Council adjourned from 12.38 to 1.32pm.

10. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Councillor Steve Carroll introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/007 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Nicki Brooks.

RESOLVED: 2015/007

That the following appointments of Chairmen until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2015 be approved:-

Committee	Chairman
Nottinghamshire Pension Fund	Darren Langton
Pensions Investment Sub-Committee	Darren Langton
Pensions Sub-Committee	Darren Langton

11. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COMBINED AUTHORITY

Councillor Alan Rhodes introduced the report and tabled amendment and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/008 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Joyce Bosnjak.

RESOLVED: 2015/008

- 1) That it be approved that Nottinghamshire County Council formally join the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Combined Authority, once it is established;
- 2) That the comments made by Full Council be used to inform the final drafting of the Governance Review and Scheme;
- 3) That authority be delegated for the signing off of the final Governance Review and Scheme to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader, Opposition Group Leaders and the Chairmen of Economic Development and Transport and Highways Committee;

- 4) That the submission of consultation responses to the Government consultation and Derby and Derbyshire Council's consultation, as set out in appendices 4 and 5 of the report, be approved;
- 5) That regular reports be brought to Policy Committee for information on the work of the Combined Authority as and when it is established.

Following consideration of agenda item 11 the Council adjourned from 3.10pm to 3.25pm.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

A motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Richard Jackson and seconded by Councillor John Cottee:-

"In view of the widespread failures of Nottinghamshire County Council's gritting operation between Christmas and New Year, this Council calls for an urgent review of all aspects of the winter maintenance programme, with a report to be brought to the February meeting of Policy Committee."

An amendment to the motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Jason Zadrozny and seconded by Councillor Tom Hollis:-

"In view of the widespread failures of Nottinghamshire County Council's gritting operation between Christmas and New Year, this Council calls for an urgent review of all aspects of the winter maintenance programme, with a report to be brought to the February meeting of Policy Committee."

That this Council apologises to the people of Nottinghamshire for their performance during the recent snowfall and will reproduce the apology on the Council's website and in the Council minute book.

That this Council acknowledges a responsibility to ensure that any information released into the public domain is accurate and not misleading."

Councillor Richard Jackson as mover of the original motion accepted the change to the motion.

Following a debate, the motion as amended was put to the meeting and after a show of hands the Chairman declared it was lost.

The requisite number of Members requested a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 31 Members voted '**For**' the motion:-

Reg Adair
Chris Barnfather
Andrew Brown
Richard Butler

John Cottee
Mrs Kay Cutts MBE
Dr John Doddy
Boyd Elliott

Stephen Garner
John Handley
Stan Heptinstall MBE
Tom Hollis
Richard Jackson
Roger Jackson
Bruce Laughton
Keith Longdon
Rachel Madden
John Ogle
Philip Owen
Ken Rigby

Tony Roberts MBE
Mrs Sue Saddington
Andy Sissons
Martin Suthers OBE
Gail Turner
Keith Walker
Stuart Wallace
Gordon Wheeler
Jacky Williams
Liz Yates
Jason Zadrozny

The following 32 Members voted '**Against**' the motion:-

Pauline Allan
Roy Allan
John Allin
Joyce Bosnjak
Nicki Brooks
Steve Calvert
Steve Carroll
John Clarke
Jim Creamer
Sybil Fielding
Kate Foale
Glynn Gilfoyle
Kevin Greaves
Alice Grice
Colleen Harwood
David Kirkham

John Knight
Darren Langton
Diana Meale
Michael Payne
John Peck JP
Sheila Place
Liz Plant
Mike Pringle
Darrell Pulk
Alan Rhodes
Pamela Skelding
Parry Tsimbirdis
Muriel Weisz
John Wilkinson
John Wilmott
Yvonne Woodhead

There were no abstentions

The Chairman declared that the motion was lost.

During consideration of this item Councillor Maureen Dobson left the meeting and did not return.

13. ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

None

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 6.17 pm.

CHAIRMAN