



Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Monday, 4th July 2016 (10.30 am – 1.20 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Yvonne Woodhead (Chairman)

Mike Pringle (Vice-Chairman)

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

HONORARY ALDERMEN

John Carter

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

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| Anthony May | (Chief Executive) |
| Jayne Francis-Ward | (Resources) |
| Paul McKay | (Adult Social Care & Health) |
| Derek Higon | (Children, Families and Cultural Service) |
| Barbara Brady | (Public Health) |
| Sara Allmond | (Resources) |
| Carl Bilbey | (Resources) |
| Martin Done | (Resources) |
| Catherine Munro | (Resources) |
| Anna O'Daly-Kardasinska | (Resources) |
| Nigel Stevenson | (Resources) |
| Michelle Welsh | (Resources) |

OPENING PRAYER

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

MINUTE SILENCE

A minute silence was held in memory of County Councillor Martin Suthers OBE DL

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED: 2016/029

That the minutes of the last meeting of the County Council held on 12th May 2016 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:-

- Councillor Steve Carr (other reasons)
- Councillor Dr John Doddy (other reasons)
- Councillor Tom Hollis (other reasons)
- Councillor Darren Langton (medical/illness)
- Councillor Muriel Weisz (medical/illness)
- Councillor Jacky Williams (medical/illness)

Apologies for absence were also received from Councillor Andrew Brown (other reasons) who would be arriving late, Councillor Ken Rigby (other reasons) who would

be leaving the meeting for a period of time from 11am and Councillor Andy Sissons (other reasons) who would be leaving the meeting at 12noon.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MARTIN SUTHERS OBE DL

The Chairman, Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE, Councillor Alan Rhodes, Councillor Stan Heptinstall MBE, Councillor Reg Adair, Councillor Joyce Bosnjak, Councillor Maureen Dobson, Councillor Steve Carroll, Councillor Jason Zadrozny, Councillor Andy Sissons, Councillor John Wilmott, Councillor John Knight, Councillor Michael Payne and Councillor Parry Tsimbiridis all spoke in memory of Councillor Martin Suthers OBE DL who had passed away following a short illness.

5. CONSTITUENCY ISSUES

The following Members spoke for up to three minutes on issues which specifically related to their division and were relevant to the services provided by the County Council.

Councillor Bruce Laughton – Southwell Bypass Scheme and the state of roads and culverts in his division.

Councillor Gordon Wheeler – parking issues following the opening of the Grand Nursing Home, West Bridgford

Councillor John Wilmott – repairs to the bridge and community activities within his division.

Councillor Ken Rigby, having previously given his apologies, left the meeting during the consideration of this item and returned later in the meeting.

6. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

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

- (1) Councillor John Ogle requesting residents parking schemes in the Beeches and Birch areas of Tuxford
- (2) Councillor Roy Allan (on behalf of Councillor Muriel Weisz) requesting a residents parking scheme for Brookfield Road, Arnold

- (3) Councillor David Kirkham requesting the reinstatement of residents parking scheme on North Street and Park Street, Sutton in Ashfield
- (4) Councillor Steve Carroll regarding parking problems on Mill Croft and Silk Street, Sutton in Ashfield
- (5) Councillor Nikki Brooks request for safety improvements to crossings in Netherfield
- (6) Councillor Michael Payne request to change the lighting stock in Chartwell Grove, Arnold North
- (7) Councillor Rachel Madden regarding highways problems in Lime Tree Avenue and Chestnut Grove, Kirkby in Ashfield
- (8) Councillor Yvonne Woodhead requesting the replacement of a brick built bus shelter on Warsop Lane, Rainworth
- (9) Councillor John Clarke regarding a bus shelter in Burton Joyce

RESOLVED: 2016/030

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.

Having previously given his apologies, Councillor Andrew Brown arrived during consideration of this item.

6b. RESPONSE TO PETITION PRESENTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

RESOLVED: 2016/031

That the contents and actions taken as set out in the report be noted.

7. CLARIFICATION OF MINUTES

The report provided Members with the opportunity to raise matters of clarification in the minutes of committee meetings published since the last meeting.

8. RECOGNITION OF OFFICERS OF GROUPS AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Councillor Steve Carroll introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2016/032 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Nikki Brooks.

RESOLVED: 2016/032

- 1) That, in accordance with the Procedure Rules, the Officers of the Groups be noted.
- 2) That Councillor Reg Adair be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Grant Aid Sub-Committee until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2017.

9. MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS 2015/16

Councillor David Kirkham introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2016/033 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Alan Rhodes.

RESOLVED: 2016/033

- 1) That the 2015/16 year end revenue position be noted.
- 2) That the level of General Fund Balances set out in section 7.1 and Appendix A of the report be approved.
- 3) That the movements in reserves as detailed in section 7 and Appendix B of the report be noted.
- 4) That the Capital Programme and its financing be noted.
- 5) That the variations to the capital programme be approved.
- 6) That it be noted that the Council's Prudential Indicators were not breached in 2015/16 as detailed in Appendix D of the report.
- 7) That the Treasury Management outturn report in Appendix E of the report be noted.

10. MEMBERS ALLOWANCES SCHEME: THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

Councillor Alan Rhodes introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2016/034 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Joyce Bosnjak.

RESOLVED: 2016/034

- 1) That a selection process as described in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the report be undertaken in order for the County Council to appoint three members to the Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) for a term of four years.
- 2) That the IRP be convened on a task and finish basis; a review of the Members Allowances Scheme being completed before the end of May 2017.

11. QUESTIONS

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

No questions were received.

(b) QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Three questions had been received as follows:-

- 1) from Councillor John Wilmott regarding Via contract management (Councillor Kevin Greaves replied)
- 2) from Councillor Bruce Laughton concerning support to Southwell Youth Club (Councillor John Peck JP replied)
- 3) from Councillor John Wilmott about the will of the people in Council decisions (Councillor Alan Rhodes replied)

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

Having previously given his apologies, Councillor Andy Sissons left the meeting during consideration of this item and did not return.

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

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

“This Council:-

- a) Is concerned about the flash flooding events that occurred in parts of the County last month, especially in the Beeson and Chilwell area around the new tram tracks;
- b) Recognises the inconvenience and distress such flooding can cause to people whose homes and businesses are affected;

- c) Agrees to thoroughly investigate these incidents and establish whether this authority, and/or other organisations such as Nottingham Express Transit and Severn Trent Water, can do more to prevent such flooding from occurring;
- d) Instructs officers to report the outcomes of this investigation to Council at the earliest opportunity."

An amendment to the motion as set out below was moved and by Councillor Steve Calvert and seconded by Councillor Alice Grice:-

"This Council:-

- a) Is concerned about the flash flooding events that occurred in parts of the County last month, especially in the Beeson and Chilwell area around the new tram tracks;
- b) Recognises the inconvenience and distress such flooding can cause to people whose homes and businesses are affected;
- c) Agrees to **work with** ~~thoroughly investigate these incidents and establish whether this authority, and/or other organisations such as Nottingham Express Transit and Severn Trent Water~~ **and other organisations in order to thoroughly investigate these incidents and jointly agree measures to prevent such flooding occurring again**, ~~can do more to prevent such flooding from occurring;~~
- d) ~~Instructs~~ **Requires** officers to report the outcomes of this investigation **and subsequent discussions with partners** to Council at the earliest opportunity."

Council adjourned from 12.15pm to 12.19pm to allow the amendment to be circulated around the Chamber.

The amendment was accepted by the mover of the motion.

Having previously given his apologies, Councillor Rigby returned to the meeting during consideration of this item.

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

RESOLVED: 2016/035

"This Council:-

- a) Is concerned about the flash flooding events that occurred in parts of the County last month, especially in the Beeson and Chilwell area around the new tram tracks;

- b) Recognises the inconvenience and distress such flooding can cause to people whose homes and businesses are affected;
- c) Agrees to work with Nottingham Express Transit and Severn Trent Water and other organisations in order to thoroughly investigate these incidents and jointly agree measures to prevent such flooding occurring again;
- d) Requires officers to report the outcomes of this investigation and subsequent discussions with partners to Council at the earliest opportunity.”

13. ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

None

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 1.20 pm.

CHAIRMAN