

County Hall West Bridgford Nottingham NG2 7QP

SUMMONS TO COUNCIL

date Thursday, 16 May 2013 commencing at 10:00

venue County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham

You are hereby requested to attend the above Meeting to be held at the time/place and on the date mentioned above for the purpose of transacting the business on the Agenda as under

Chief Executive

- **1** Election of Chairman
- 2 Election of Vice-Chairman
- 3 County Council Elections

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4 Recognition of Members and Officers of Groups

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5 Minutes of the last meeting held on 25th April 2013

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- **6** Apologies for Absence
- 7 Declarations of Interests by Members and Officers:- (see note below)
 - (a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
 - (b) Private Interests (pecuniary and non-pecuniary)
- 8 Chairman's Business

Presentation of Awards/Certificates (if any)

9	Constituency Issues (see note 5 below)	
10	Presentation of Petitions (if any) (see note 6 below)	
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NOTES:-

(A) For Councillors

- (1) Members will be informed of the date and time of their Group meeting for Council by their Group Researcher.
- (2) The Chairman has agreed that the Council will adjourn for lunch at their discretion.
- (3) (a) Persons making a declaration of interest should have regard to the Code of Conduct and the Procedure Rules for Meetings of the Full Council. Those declaring must indicate whether their interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or a private interest and the reasons for the declaration.
- (b) Any member or officer who declares a prejudicial interest in an item must withdraw from the meeting during discussion and voting upon it, unless a dispensation has been granted. Members or officers requiring clarification on whether to make a declaration of interest are invited to contact the Monitoring Officer or Democratic Services prior to the meeting.
- (c) Declarations of interest will be recorded and included in the minutes of this meeting and it is therefore important that clear details are given by members and others in turn, to enable the Team Manager, Democratic Services to record accurate information.
- (4) Members are reminded that these papers may be recycled. Appropriate containers are located in the respective secretariats.
- (5) Members are given an opportunity to speak for three minutes on any particular issue which relates to matters relevant to their constituencies or any particular issues arising in their electoral division. This would be an opportunity simply to air these issues in Council meeting. It would not give rise to a debate on the issues or a question or answer session

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(6) Members are reminded that petitions can be presented from their seat with a 1 minute time limit set on introducing the petition.

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Agenda Item: 3

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Purpose of the Report

1. To report the outcome of the County Council Elections.

Information and Advice

2. The persons shown at Appendix A to this report were elected to membership of the County Council at the elections held on 3rd May 2013.

RECOMMENDATION

That the outcome of the elections report be noted.

Mick Burrows Chief Executive

For any enquiries about this report please contact:

Chris Holmes

Team Manager Democratic Services Tel: 0115 977 3714

Constitutional Comments

This report is for noting only

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All

APPENDIX A

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTED MEMBERS May 2013

NAME	ELECTORAL DIVISION	DESCRIPTION
Councillor Reg Adair	Ruddington	Conservative
Councillor Pauline Allan	Arnold North	Labour
Councillor Roy Allan	Arnold South	Labour
Councillor John Allin	Warsop	Labour
Councillor Chris Barnfather	Newstead	Conservative
Councillor Alan Bell	Mansfield East	Labour
Councillor Joyce Bosnjak	Mansfield North	Labour
Councillor Nicki Brooks	Carlton East	Labour
Councillor Andrew Brown	Soar Valley	Conservative
Councillor Richard Butler	Cotgrave	Conservative
Councillor Steve Calvert	West Bridgford Central & South	Labour
Councillor Ian Campbell	Retford West	Labour
Councillor Steve Carr	Beeston North	Liberal Democrat
Councillor Steve Carroll	Sutton In Ashfield East	Labour
Councillor John Clarke	Carlton East	Labour
Councillor John Cottee	Keyworth	Conservative
Councillor Jim Creamer	Carlton West	Labour
Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts	Radcliffe On Trent	Conservative
Councillor Maureen Dobson	Collingham	Independent
Councillor Dr John Doddy	Chilwell & Toton	Conservatives
Councillor Boyd Elliott	Calverton	Conservatives
Councillor Sybil Fielding	Worksop North	Labour
Councillor Kate Foale	Beeston South & Attenborough	Labour
Councillor Stephen Garner	Mansfield South	Mansfield Ind Forum
Councillor Glynn Gilfoyle	Worksop East	Labour
Councillor Kevin Greaves	Worksop West	Labour
Councillor Alice Grice	Hucknall	Labour
Councillor John Handley	Beauvale	Conservative
Councillor Colleen Harwood	Mansfield East	Labour
Councillor Stan Heptinstall MBE	Bramcote & Stapleford	Liberal Democrat
Councillor Tom Hollis	Sutton In Ashfield West	Liberal Democrat
Councillor Richard Jackson	Chilwell & Toton	Conservative
Councillor Roger Jackson	Farnsfield & Lowdham	Conservative
Councillor David Kirkham	Sutton In Ashfield Central	Labour
Councillor John Knight	Kirkby in Ashfield North	Labour
Councillor Darren Langton	Mansfield West	Labour
Councillor Bruce Laughton	Southwell & Caunton	Conservative
Councillor Keith Longdon	Eastwood	Liberal Democrat
Councillor Rachel Madden	Kirby In Ashfield South	Liberal Democrat
Councillor Diana Meale	Mansfield West	Labour
Councillor John Ogle	Tuxford	Conservative
Councillor Philip Owen	Nuthall	Conservative
Councillor Michael Payne	Arnold North	Labour
Councillor John Peck JP	Rufford	Labour

Councillor Liz Plant	West Bridgford Central & South	Labour
Councillor Darrell Pulk	Carlton West	Labour
Councillor Alan Rhodes	Worksop North East & Carlton	Labour
Councillor Ken Rigby	Kimberley & Trowell	Liberal Democrat
Councillor Tony Roberts MBE	Newark West	Conservative
Councillor Mrs Sue Saddington	Farndon & Muskham	Conservative
Councillor Andy Sissons	Mansfield South	Mansfield Ind Forum
Councillor Pamela Skelding	Retford East	Labour
Councillor Stella Smedley MBE JP	Ollerton	Labour
Councillor Martin Suthers OBE	Bingham	Conservative
Councillor Parry Tsimbiridis	Mansfield North	Labour
Councillor Gail Turner	Selston	Selston Area
		Independents
Councillor Keith Walker	Balderton	Conservative
Councillor Stuart Wallace	Newark East	Conservative
Councillor Muriel Weisz	Arnold South	Labour
Councillor Gordon Wheeler	West Bridgford West	Conservative
Councillor John Wilkinson	Hucknall	Labour
Councillor Jacky Williams	Bramcote & Stapleford	Liberal Democrat
Councillor John Wilmott	Hucknall	Labour
Councillor Yvonne Woodhead	Blidworth	Labour
Councillor Liz Yates	Misterton	Conservative
Councillor Jason Zadrozny	Sutton In Ashfield North	Liberal Democrat

Report to the Full Council



16 May 2013

Agenda Item: 4

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF GROUPS

Purpose of the Report

1. To report details of the membership of the political groups, together with the names of officers appointed within the Groups

Information and Advice

- 2. The Committees and Political Groups Regulations made under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 provide for Members to be treated as divided into different political groups when there is a notice delivered which states:-
 - that the Members who have signed it wish to be treated as a political group.
 - the name of the group and
 - the name of one Member of the group who has signed the notice and who is to act as its leader.

The notice may also specify the name of one other member of the group who has signed the notice and who is authorised to act in the place of the leader when s/he is unable to act (the deputy leader).

- 3. Appropriate notices have been received in respect of the formation of 4 political groups. The groups are:-
 - the Nottinghamshire County Labour Group
 - the Nottinghamshire County Council Conservative Group
 - the Liberal Democrats Group
 - the Independents Group
- 4. The memberships of the groups are shown in the Appendix to this report. The Appendix also gives details of the officers elected by the Groups. This means that the overall political balance of the Council is as follows:-

	<u>Number</u>	<u>%</u>
Labour Group	34	50.75
Conservative Group	21	31.34
Liberal Democrat Group	8	11.94
Independent Group	3	4.48
Other	1	1.49

Regulations made under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 require that seats on Committees and Sub-Committees are allocated to the political groups in a way which reflects the overall balance of the Council. Details of these are dealt with elsewhere in the agenda.

Reason for Recommendations

5. It is necessary for Council to recognise the political Groups on the Council and their Officers.

Statutory and Policy Implications

6. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That the membership of the political groups be noted.
- 2) That, in accordance with the Procedure Rules, the Officers of the Groups be recognised.

Mick Burrows Chief Executive

For any enquiries about this report please contact:

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 08/05/2013)

7. The proposals in this report are within the remit of the Council.

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 25th April 2013 (10.00 am – 11.15 am)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

A Carol Pepper (Chairman) L B Cooper (Vice Chairman)

	Reg Adair John Allin Fiona Asbury Chris Barnfather Victor Bobo Joyce Bosnjak Richard Butler Steve Carr Steve Carroll Allen Clarke Ged Clarke		Keith Longdon Rachel Madden Geoff Merry Mick Murphy Philip Owen John Peck Sheila Place Darrell Pulk Mike Quigley MBE Mrs Wendy Quigley Alan Rhodes
Α	John Clarke John Cottee Michael J Cox	Α	Ken Rigby Kevin Rostance Mrs Sue Saddington
	Jim Creamer		Mel Shepherd MBE
Α	Bob Cross	Α	S Smedley MBE JP
	Mrs Kay Cutts	Α	Mark Spencer MP
Α	V H Dobson		June Stendall
Α	Dr John Doddy		Andy Stewart
	Sybil Fielding		Martin Suthers OBE
	Stephen Garner		Lynn Sykes
	Michelle Gent	Α	David Taylor
	Glynn Gilfoyle	, ,	Parry Tsimbiridis
	Keith Girling		Gail Turner
	Kevin Greaves		Keith Walker
	John M Hempsall		Stuart Wallace
	Stan Heptinstall MBE		Gordon Wheeler
Α	Rev. Tom Irvine	Α	Chris Winterton
, ,	Richard Jackson	A	Brian Wombwell
Α	Rod Kempster		Martin Wright
=	Eric Kerry		Liz Yates
	John Knight		Jason Zadrozny
	Bruce Laughton		

HONORARY ALDERMEN

Mr Martin Brandon-Bravo OBE Mr Terry Butler Mr Stewart Pattinson

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mick Burrows (Chief Executive)

Jayne Francis-Ward (Policy, Planning & Corporate Services Carl Bilbey (Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)

Tim Gregory (Environment & Resources)

Gail Holliday

Martin Done

Chris Holmes

John Slater

Karen Townrow

Anna Vincent

Michelle Welsh

(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)

OPENING PRAYER

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

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED: 2013/18

That the Minutes of the last meeting of the County Council held on 28th February 2013 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The following apologies for absence were received:-

Medical/Illness

Councillor Bob Cross

Councillor Dr John Doddy

Councillor Rev.Tom Irvine

Councillor Rod Kempster

Councillor S Smedley MBE JP

Councillor David Taylor

Councillor Chris Winterton

Other

Councillor Brian Wombwell Councillor Mark Spencer MP

Other County Council Business Councillor Carol Pepper Councillor Ken Rigby

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Philip Owen declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in Item 9 on the agenda, Bus Lane Enforcement as he was a resident of the area affected.

4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

AGENDA ORDER

The Chairman announced that the agenda order would be altered as some Members would be attending the Royal Visit.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

A motion was moved by Councillor Richard Butler and seconded by Councillor John Cottee in terms of resolution 2013/19 below.

After debate the motion was put to the meeting and it was:-

RESOLVED 2013/19

"That Nottinghamshire County Council values its beautiful country park estates and will oppose any application to build on this land. We recognise our duty to preserve these green spaces for the benefit of future generations."

5. CONSTITUENCY ISSUES

Set out in Appendix A to these minutes is a full note of the issues raised by Councillor Eric Kerry on the blight in Beeston Town Centre caused by the tram works.

6. PETITIONS

(a) PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

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

(1) Councillor Richard Butler – Petition regarding number 53 bus service from Cotgrave to Bingham

- (2) Councillor Michelle Gent Petition regarding implementation of parking controls around Bargain Booze (69 Church Street, Sutton in Ashfield
- (3) Councillor Glyn Gilfoyle Petition requesting footpath from South Parade to Blyth Road, Worksop, adjacent to Tesco Stores
- (4) Councillor Sheila Place Petition requesting speed limit and road works on the A60 Carlton, Langold
- (5) Councillor Gail Turner Petition regarding a road safety request, Westwood Infant School
- (6) Councillor Gordon Wheeler Petition from residents of Rivermead Flats, Wilford Lane requesting a Pelican Crossing to be installed
- (7) Councillor John Peck- Petition concerning parking on Edwinstowe High Street

RESOLVED: 2013/20

That the petitions be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration in accordance with the Procedure Rules.

(b) PETITION RESPONSES

RESOLVED: 2013/21

That the contents and actions be noted in respect of petition responses agreed by the Transport and Highways Committee at its meeting be noted.

7. QUESTIONS

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

No questions were received

(b) QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Four questions had been received as follows:-

(1) from Councillor Martin Wright regarding congratulating Mansfield Town Football Club on winning the National Conference Premier Division Championship, and in doing so taking the Club back in to the Football League (Councillor John Cottee replied)

- (2) from Councillor Victor Bobo regarding congratulating Mansfield Town Football Club on winning the Football Conference title and returning to the Football League (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- (3) from Councillor Sue Saddington regarding to what extent a blanket policy of 20mph zones would be effective in improving safety outside schools, and whether there are other measures that are more effective (Councillor Richard Jackson replied)
- (4) from Councillor Gordon Wheeler regarding a statement being made on the impact of the NET Phase Two tram construction works in the county area (Councillor Richard Jackson replied)

Questions one and two were taken together.

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

8. CLARIFICATION OF MINUTES

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

9. BUS LANE ENFORCEMENT

Councillor Richard Jackson introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of the resolution 2013/22 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Chris Barnfather

RESOLVED: 2013/22

- (1) That the County Council becomes a member of the Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee,
- (2) That the adjudication service costs be met from the Penalty Charge Notice income.
- (3) That the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee continues to be the nominated representative member of the PATROL Adjudication Joint Committee,
- (4) That the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee be the nominated representative member of the Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee.

- (5) That the Group Manager Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to enter into a s101 agreement for the provision of adjudication services.
- (6) That the existing Traffic Regulation Order be referred to the Transport & Highways Committee with a recommendation for residents of the Horsendale Estate to be an exempted class under the Order and to action this accordingly, subject to the necessary external approvals.

10. ROLLS-ROYCE SITE, HUCKNALL

Councillor Richard Jackson introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of the resolution 2013/23 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Reg Adair.

RESOLVED: 2013/23

That subject to the other conditions referenced in paragraph 15 of the report

- (a) the Council's Capital Programme be increased by £3.154M;
- (2) the submission of the bid under the Government's Pinch Point Programme be approved;
- (3) all further highway engineering design work be carried out and delivered by the County Council's Highway Programme Design and Delivery Group in partnership with the Midlands Highways Alliance;
- (4) a further report be brought to Finance and Property Committee in 2 months reporting progress on this proposal.

The meeting closed at 11.15 pm

CHAIRMAN M25APRIL13

APPENDIX A

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25TH APRIL 2013

3-MINUTE SPEECH

Councillor Eric Kerry

"Let's start at one end and travel through a catalogue of despair.

As my residents return home from the city and elsewhere they return via a University Boulevard stripped of beautiful trees. Will they rename the road? As Boulevard in my dictionary does not describe what remains.

After lengthy queuing and via a long detour we get to Lower Road. To many residents, the most annoying and frustrating part of this journey has been the stress that they have had to endure to get NET to communicate effectively with them. Officers and I have helped. It is a little easier to accept problems and plans when they have been shared and the chance to discuss concerns properly given.

Residents experience daily the disruption, noise, dust, gardens being snatched away etc. One resident told me this week, and I quote "there are holes where there shouldn't be, and even in holes that are in the right place, they have found stuff that shouldn't be there", as one worker said to several others watching one man down a hole.

Looking ahead you can now see that the Neville Sadler Court retirement living flats have gone, destroying a community, and replaced by a convenient storage yard for materials and equipment. Now that wasn't planned was it?

We proceed through the same scene on Fletcher Road, with one family told that the drive they parked their car on cannot be used anymore because it wasn't in the plans. We got that changed! They even took away the bin outside the award winning Humber Road Chippy, and didn't replace it. But the chips were not down as we got a new one!

On to Middle Street, now an extra half mile diversion by car to get to the town centre a few hundred yards away. On this section pedestrian access to the High Road becomes a lottery as pedestrian lights are not positioned properly and some don't exist. As Middle Street turns the corner towards the Police Station it leaves my division. But that isn't where the impact on my residents finishes.

Even away from the route we have to endure problems daily. Wilkinsons was a major competitor of Tesco, the other recent controversial Labour approved development in Beeston. Wilkinsons store was wiped out to make way for the tracks, but the building not touched for over a year after staff lost their jobs and closed the doors - Crazy.

A new Meadow Lane/Queens Road junction pedestrian crossing light pole is still missing weeks after it was knocked over for the second time.

A nice grass verge narrowed and left as a load of rubble, the occasional clump of grass and now very seasonal dandelions. Near the bus stop, this attracts litter and cigarette debris as miscreants think "why should I bother, they don't care". The new footpath has undulations forming an assault course of puddles in heavy rain. I have told them about it, they have not done anything yet.

Closing Chilwell Road, Beeston and implementing new diversionary routes a month before the junction improvements at Queens Road/Station Road were completed resulted in bedlam for motorists and bus passengers. We even had to ask for better signage because travellers had insufficient prior warning that roads ahead were closed.

Our officers do what they can to mitigate the problems, but they do not have a weapon like the ever-powerful Transport Act Order that drives this folly. What a mess.

Have you guessed yet what I have been talking about? It is Labours tram set, that plaything, supported by you over there and your colleagues at Broxtowe, kowtowing to the great city fathers, who are intent on expanding their empire. God help Beeston."

APPENDIX B

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25th APRIL 2013 QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Question to the Chairman of the Culture Committee from Councillor Martin Wright

"Would the Chairman of the Culture Committee join me, a Mansfield Town fan of some 53 years, in congratulating the football club, its players, officials and supporters on their achievement in winning the National Conference Premier Division Championship and in doing so taking the club back into thr Football League, after five rather difficult years both on and off the pitch? Would he also write to the club Chairman john Radford offering the county councils congratulations and wishing them luck in the future

Question to Chairman of Culture Committee from Councillor Victor Bobo

Would the Chairman of the Cullture Committee join me in congratulating Mansfield Town Football Club on winning the Football Conference title and returning to the Football League?

Response by Councillor John Cottee, Chairman of the Culture Committee

"Yes, I am absolutely delighted that Mansfield Town have won the Football Conference Premier Division Title and will be returning to the Football League for the first time in five years. You will note of course that they did it under a Conservative administration!

The team has been unstoppable since narrowly losing their glamour FA Cup tie to Liverpool in January, so maybe their ambitions are to replay that match at some time in the future in the Premier League.

I am a little bit of an anorak being a football referee as you know Chairman and I do keep the league tables from each Sunday's paper. I just had a glance through and on 17th February Mansfield were not even in the top section of the league so they stormed through to the top and I am pleased to see that they have achieved promotion.

A letter has already been sent to Mansfield Town from the Chairman of the County Council and there is also a letter in the post from myself. I am sure Members will join me in congratulating the Stags' supporters, the players, the manager Paul Cox, the Club Chairman, John Radford and his wife Carolyn, the Chief Executive, who have all worked hard and tirelessly to turn the club around and achieve its fortunes and success of today.

I also congratulate John and his wife Carolyn on a double celebration because Carolyn is expecting a baby!

The fact that Nottinghamshire will once again boast three football league clubs is fantastic news for sport in this county, and while we are on the subject of sporting success, let me offer more congratulations to our local Olympians, Sam Oldham and Richard Whitehead. Last weekend, Sam won the silver medal in the high bar event at the European Championships in Moscow (the first British medal ever at this event); and Richard won the men's T42 category in the London marathon.

Well done to all of them!

Question to the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee from Councillor Sue Saddington

"Would the Chairman of the Transport & Highways Committee explain to what extent a blanket policy of 20mph zones would be effective in improving safety outside schools, and whether there are other measures that are more effective?"

Response by Councillor Richard Jackson Chairman of the Transport & Highways Committee

"Councillor Saddington's question is timely, because I was interested to see the priority given to 20mph zones outside our schools in Labour's election pledges. If they had given the matter proper thought though, they would have recalled the conclusions of the report into 'Road Safety Outside Schools' by the cross-party study group, chaired by Councillor Geoff Merry under the remit of the Communities and the Environment Scrutiny Select Committee. In May 2011 their report found that, and I shall quote from it: -

"A 'global' application of 20 mph speed limits outside all schools would be disproportionate and ineffective. The pilot scheme demonstrated that imposing a 20 mph limit can actually serve to increase the speed of drivers."

The report also states: -

"Although child pedestrian casualties occur on school journeys, the number of accidents occurring outside schools is minimal... The focus for preventative measures should therefore be around the whole journey to school rather than the immediate vicinity around the school."

Chairman, this is not to say that we don't consider 20 mph zones where traffic speeds are a problem. We have piloted a number of interactive signs outside some schools, and achieved average reductions in speed of around 1 mph. There are more effective safety measures that can be more appropriate.

In many cases the chief concern is not speed, so much as the accumulation of vehicles outside the school gates and the extent of careless and inappropriate parking by parents. It is unfortunate that during their 28 years in control of this authority, Labour councillors failed to ensure that 'no parking' zigzag markings

painted outside schools were legally enforceable. I am pleased to be able to report to Council that under this Conservative administration the Transport and Highways Committee recently approved making 'School Keep Clear' zigzag markings enforceable. They will ensure that children crossing in these areas immediately outside schools can do so in safety.

For Members' information, where there is an actual accident problem rather than a perceived one, the circumstances of each collision are of course investigated and appropriate schemes are implemented to address these problems.

As part of the Junior Road Safety Officer initiative, schools work with pupils and parents to establish the specific problems encountered outside their school and officers help them to consider measures to overcome these."

Question to the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee from Councillor Gordon Wheeler

Woud the Chairman of the Transport & Highways Committee make a Statement on the impact of the NET Phase Two tram construction works in the county area?

Response by Councillor Richard Jackson Chairman of the Transport & Highways Committee

"As Members are aware, this Conservative administration kept its manifesto pledge and voted to withdraw from the NET Phase Two scheme in September 2009, a decision which saved the Nottinghamshire taxpayer at least £20 million.

As we showed with the A453, this administration will actively seek and support any inward investment which genuinely provides value for money and which improves our transport infrastructure, but we have always said the NET Phase Two tram route proposals do not serve the best interests of county taxpayers or commuters, and are not wanted by many of the residents in the affected areas.

As we predicted, the impact on the County area of the tram construction is considerable and this is likely to be the case for the next 18 months.

Construction started much later than expected which has led to most sections of the two routes being constructed simultaneously, with consequent disruption to the County highway network. Residents in Lower Road and Fletcher Road in Beeston have the works on their doorsteps; access to shops and other businesses in Chilwell has been severely disrupted by closed roads; and neighbourhoods are suffering from the effects of diverted traffic and drivers trying to beat the congestion by finding their own alternative routes are causing problems. We are conducting daily monitoring of traffic conditions through Chilwell, Beeston and Wilford and we are doing all we can to fine tune traffic lights and provide appropriate signage but, regrettably, some delays are inevitable.

In Beeston and Chilwell we insisted that car parks were opened ahead of the major road closures of the High Road and of Chilwell Road and that a financial assistance package was in place for traders, which is greater than that currently paid to traders within the city boundary by the City Council.

Nevertheless, it is extremely disappointing that shops such as Wilkinsons have stood empty for a year when the delays to works are such that they could have remained open, providing continued employment and serving the local community.

I know and I share Councillor Wheeler's frustration at the effect of excavation on the Wilford embankment, which I pass every morning. It was a Site of Special Scientific Interest and it appears to me that any benefits for the tram route are far outweighed by the environmental damage caused and I know many local residents have made their feelings clear.

I could say a lot more, Chairman, but Councillor Kerry has already spoken very well this morning on this subject and there is no desire to prolong this meeting. Suffice to say that in Nottinghamshire this project was driven by the Labour Group under the leadership of former councillors Mick Warner and David Kirkham. County Conservatives have always maintained that this was a mistake, but we will continue to deal with the situation, serve the best interests of our residents and in particular, do all we can to ensure that local businesses blighted by the works are able to survive and prosper.

Having spoken earlier about the A453 I should state that the tram works are also being co-ordinated with the A453 improvement work and the Nottingham Station closure which comes into force this summer. We are doing everything we can to make sure that disruption is minimised during major events such as the Ashes series and the National Armed Forces day taking place within this county. The overall message must be that Nottingham and Nottinghamshire is still open for business."



Report to Full Council

16 May 2013

Agenda Item: 12

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval of proposed amendments to the Nottinghamshire County Council Constitution.

Information and Advice

- 2. A revised Constitution was adopted at County Council's annual meeting in May 2012 following the change to a Committee System. Some minor changes have been adopted since then. As the new Committee system has been in place for a year, it is felt appropriate to make some further changes to the process and meeting structure to better manage the business of the Council. Following discussion with the Leader of the Labour Group the amendments proposed are listed below.
 - (a) Meetings of Full Council will in future start at 10.30am and not 10.00am
 - (b) Removal of paragraph 27 of Part B Procedure Rules for Committee and Sub-Committee Meetings (p5-16). This removes the reference to Committee members being able to speak once on any motion. This will enable a full exchange of views to take place in committee and sub-committee meetings.
 - (c) Economic Development Committee to be reclassified as a Band A Committee (P6-67) and the frequency of meetings increased to match other Band A Committees. This recognises the importance of achieving economic growth in the county to secure and create employment.
 - (d) Administration Committee and Early Years & Young People's Sub Committee to be dissolved and all references removed from the Constitution.
- 3. The current responsibilities of the Early Years & Young Peoples Sub-Committee would be reallocated to the Children & Young People's Committee.
- 4. It is proposed that the current responsibilities of the Administration Committee be reallocated as follows:
 - a) Approving all Councillor attendance at conferences, seminars and training events, including any expenditure incurred the relevant Committee

- b) Officer travel outside the UK operational decision by Corporate Director with a quarterly report to the relevant Committee
- c) Approving appointments to outside bodies Policy Committee determines the list with appointments made following consultation with Majority Group Business Manager. Committees decide which Outside Bodies to receive regular updates as part of their work programme
- d) Approving the level and nature of support services for County Councillors including IT operational decision by Corporate Director of Policy Planning Community Services
- e) Authorising hospitality to be offered by the County Council except where the cost is to be covered by the Chairman of the County Council's individual budget Policy Committee
- f) Responsibility for resolving any issues arising from the Members' Allowances Scheme Policy Committee

Other Options Considered

5. Make no changes to the Constitution. This was not felt to be appropriate as it was thought changes were needed to improve effectiveness.

Reason for Recommendation

6. To enable the committee system to operate more effectively and to recognise the importance of economic growth to the future of the county.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the Constitution be amended as set out in the report.

Mick Burrows
Chief Executive

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 08/05/2013)

8. Full Council is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report; it is responsible for adopting and changing the Council's Constitution.

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Council's Constitution is published on its website - http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/plans/councilplansandpolicies/

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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Report to Full Council

16th May 2013

Agenda Item 13

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the establishment of the Council Committees and make appointments of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen.

Information and Advice

- 2. Under the Council's Constitution, the Annual Meeting of the Full Council has to establish such Committees as the Council sees fit.
- 3. Currently Council has established the following committees and sub-committees, set their terms of reference, fixed their size and allocated places to the political groups. It is proposed that their re-establishment for the 2013/14 municipal year be confirmed apart from the Administration Committee and the Early Years and Youth Services Sub-Committee which it was considered earlier in the agenda to dissolve:-

Adult Social Care and Health	Finance and Property Committee
Committee Annuals Sub Committee	Grant Aid Sub-Committee
Appeals Sub-Committee	Greater Nottingham Light Rapid
Audit Committee	Transport Advisory Committee
Children and Young People's Committee	Health Scrutiny Committee
Community Safety Committee	Health and Wellbeing Board
	Joint City/Council Health Scrutiny
Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee	Committee
Culture Committee	Joint Committee on Strategic Planning & Transport
Economic Development Committee	Local Joint Resolutions Committee
Environment and Sustainability	
Committee	Nottinghamshire Pension Fund Committee
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Pensions Investment Sub-Committee	Policy Committee
Pensions Sub-Committee	Public Health Sub-Committee
Personnel Committee	Rights of Way Committee
Planning & Licensing Committee	Senior Staffing Sub-Committee
Police and Crime Panel	Transport and Highways Committee

- 4. With regard to the appointments to the Appeals Sub-Committee, Planning and Licensing Committee, Rights of Way Committee and the Senior Staffing Sub-Committee it is mandatory for the members to have received the appropriate training before sitting on these Committees/ Sub-Committees.
- 5. As last year, it is proposed that the Leader be appointed as an ex-officio member of all committees and sub-committees of which he is not a voting full member, except the Appeals Sub-Committee, Health Scrutiny Committee, Planning and Licensing Committee, Rights of Way Committee, Senior Staffing Sub-Committee, and Joint Committees. As an ex-officio Member the Leader would have the right to speak but not to vote at meetings
- 6. In determining the membership of Committees, account must be taken of the requirements of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 and 1991 made under sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. These Regulations require that seats on Committees and Sub-Committees are allocated to the political Groups in a way which reflects the overall balance on the Council. The advice of the Monitoring Officer is that the allocation of seats to comply with legislative requirements should be based on overall seat numbers rather than on individual committee numbers. The charts in the recommendation reflect this.

JOINT COMMITTEES WITH CITY COUNCIL

- 7. There are currently three Joint Committees between the County and Nottingham City Councils as follows:-
 - Joint Committee on Strategic Planning and Transport
 - Joint City/ County Health Scrutiny Committee
 - Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Advisory Committee
- 8. The appointment of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee and the Joint Committee on Strategic Planning and Transport are undertaken in accordance with an agreement between the County and the City Councils. Under this agreement in 2013/14 the Chairman of these Joint Committees will be nominated by the City Council and the Vice- Chairman by the County Council.

OTHER JOINT COMMITTEES

Police and Crime Panel

9. A Police and Crime Panel has been established for the Nottinghamshire Force are which is a joint Committee of all the District/Borough Councils in Nottinghamshire, Nottingham City and the County Council.

Legislation stipulates that Police and Crime Panel must represent all parts of the relevant area, be politically balanced and have a membership that has the necessary skills, knowledge and experience. The current panel membership is:-

Ashfield District Council (1); Bassetlaw District Council (1); Broxtowe Borough Council (1); Gedling Borough Council (1); Mansfield District Council (1); Newark & Sherwood District Council (1); Nottingham City Council (4); Nottinghamshire County Council (1); Rushcliffe Borough Council (1), plus 2 Independent Members.

Following the establishment of the Panel in 2012, the County Council Liberal Democrat Group was given a co-opted place on the Panel to ensure overall political balance within the County. The Panel's Membership including political balance will be reviewed at its annual meeting on 24th June 2013.

The appointment of 1 Majority Group County Councillor to the Panel is sought.

Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee

10. A joint committee with a number of other local authorities has been established for the purpose of adjudicating services for the bus lane enforcement. The current member is the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee and it is proposed this continues.

Parking Adjudication Joint Committee

11. A joint committee with a number of other local authorities has been established for this and the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee is the current member. It is proposed this continues.

Mental Health Guardianship Panel

12. A pool of 16 Members has been established from which a Mental Health Guardianship Panel can be formed to make decisions on renewal and discharge of guardianship under the Mental Health Act 1983. Experience has shown that this Panel does not need to meet as frequently as originally envisaged. It is therefore proposed that a Panel of 5 Members be established rather than having a pool of members. This would enable the Panel Members to develop expertise in this area.

Combined Fire Authority

13. The County Council is required to appoint 12 members to the Combined Fire Authority. Appointments must be made in accordance with political proportionality.

External Appointments

14. Responsibility for the appointment of representatives to outside bodies is delegated to the Administration Committee. However, it remains open to the Council to exercise these powers of appointment directly. There are a small number of organisations where it would be helpful if the appointments were made at this meeting. This is because of the need to ensure that the authority is appropriately represented at meetings which are to take place shortly. They are as follows:-

Organisation	No of Reps
Local Government Association (LGA)	4
LGA Urban Commission	1
LGA Rural Commission	1
County Councils Network	4

Reason for Recommendations

15. Under the Council's Constitution, the Annual Meeting of the Council has to establish such Committees as the Council sees fit.

Statutory and Policy Implications

16. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, ways of working, sustainability and the environment, and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Following discussions with the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Labour Group the recommendations are as follows:-

(a) that the Council confirm the establishment of the following Committees and Sub-Committees of Council with their existing terms of reference and with the membership shown:-

Meeting	Number of County Clirs	Lab	Cons	<u>Lib</u> <u>Dems</u>	Indepe- ndent	Cllr Maureen Dobson	Other
Adult Social Care and Health Committee	11	6	3	1	1		

Meeting	Number of County Cilrs	<u>Lab</u>	Cons	<u>Lib</u> <u>Dems</u>	Indepe- ndent	Cllr Maureen Dobson	<u>Other</u>
Appeals Sub- Committee (pool)	11	6	3	1	1		
Audit Committee	9	5	3	1			
Children and Young People's Committee	11	6	3	2			4 non-voting co-optees
Community Safety Committee	9	5	3	1			·
Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee	9	5	3	1			
Culture Committee	11	6	3	1		1	
Economic Development Committee	9	5	3	1			2 non-voting co-optees
Environment and Sustainability Committee	9	5	3	1			
Finance and Property Committee	11	6	3	1	1		
Grant Aid Sub- Committee	7	4	2	1			
Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Advisory Committee	5	3	1	1			5 City Councillors
Health Scrutiny Committee	6	3	2	1			4 District Council members
Joint Committee on Strategic Planning & Transport	4	2	1	1			4 City Councillors
Joint City/Council Health Scrutiny Committee	8	4	3	1			8 City Councillors
Health and Wellbeing Board	5	3	1	1			13 (see recommendation c)
Local Joint Resolutions Committee	6	3	2	1			
Nottinghamshire Pension Fund Committee	9	5	3	1			
Pensions Investment Sub-Committee	9	5	3	1			8 (see recommendation c)
Pensions Sub- Committee	9	5	3	1			8 plus 2 pensioner reps (see recommendation c)

Meeting	Number of County Clirs	<u>Lab</u>	Cons	<u>Lib</u> <u>Dems</u>	Indepe- ndent	CIIr Maureen Dobson	<u>Other</u>
Personnel Committee	9	5	3	1			
Planning & Licensing Committee	11	6	3	1	1		
Policy Committee	19	10	6	2	1		
Public Health Sub- Committee	9	5	3	1			
Rights of Way Committee	11	6	3	1	1		
Senior Staffing Sub-	9	5	3	1			
Committee	or 5	3	1	1			
Transport and Highways Committee	11	6	3	1	1		

- (b) That the Health Scrutiny Committee membership include 1 co-opted Councillor with voting rights from each of the following authorities:- Ashfield District Council, Bassetlaw District Council, Mansfield District Council and Newark and Sherwood District Council.
- (c) That the other representatives on the above Committees /Sub Committees be appointed as follows:-
 - (1) Children and Young People's Committee: One representative of the Church of England Diocese, one representative of the Roman Catholic Diocese, and two Parent Governors.
 - (2) Health and Wellbeing Board: Two District/Boroughs Councillors, six NHS Clinical Commissioning Group representatives, one Healthwatch, one NHS Commissioning Board, three officers Corporate Director, Adult Social Care, Health and Public Protection, Corporate Director, Children, Families and Cultural Services, Director of Public Health
 - (3) Pensions Investment Sub-Committee: Three City Councillors, two Nottinghamshire District/Borough Council representatives, two Trade Union Representatives, one Scheduled Body representative
 - (4) Pensions Sub-Committee: Three City Councillors, two Nottinghamshire District/ Borough Council representatives, two Trade Union representatives, one Scheduled Body representative plus two pensioner representatives.
 - (5) Economic Development Committee: Two representatives of the Business Community
- (d) That the Senior Staffing Sub-Committee when considering issues relating to the Chief Executive and Corporate Directors will have a membership of 9 Members and when the

Sub-Committee considers issues relating to other officers the membership will be 5 Members and that no Member must sit on the Sub-Committee unless they have received appropriate training.

- (e) That the Leader of the Council be an ex-officio member of all committees and subcommittees except the Appeals Sub-Committee, Planning and Licensing Committee, Rights of Way Committee, Senior Staffing Sub-Committee and Joint Committees; with the right to speak but not to vote.
- (f) That the Council make the following appointments of Chairman and Vice-Chairman until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2014, it being noted that the appointment of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Senior Staffing Sub-Committee will be a matter for that Sub-Committee:-

Committee	Chairman	Vice-Chairman
Adult Social Care and Health	Muriel Weisz	Yvonne Woodhead
Appeals Sub-Committee	Sheila Place	Nicki Brooks
Audit	Opposition Group	Sheila Place
Children and Young People	John Peck	Liz Plant
Community Safety	Glynn Gilfoyle	Alice Grice
Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee	Liz Plant	None
Culture	John Knight	Alan Bell
Economic Development	Diana Meale	Roy Allan
Environment and Sustainability	Jim Creamer	John Wilkinson
Finance and Property	David Kirkham	Darren Langton
Grant Aid Sub Committee	Joyce Bosnjak	Opposition Group
Health and Wellbeing Board	Joyce Bosnjak	To be appointed by Board
Health Scrutiny Committee	Kate Foale	Colleen Harwood
Joint Cttee on Planning & Transport	City Councillor	Jim Creamer
Joint Health Scrutiny (with City)	City Councillor	Parry Tsimbiridis
Nottinghamshire Pension Fund	Stella Smedley	Opposition Group
Pensions Investment Sub-Committee	Stella Smedley	Opposition Group
Pensions Sub-Committee	Stella Smedley	Opposition Group
Personnel	Sheila Place	Nicki Brooks
Planning & Licensing	Sybil Fielding	Opposition Group
Policy	Alan Rhodes	Joyce Bosnjak
Public Health Sub-Committee	Joyce Bosnjak	Glynn Gilfoyle
Rights of Way	Pam Skelding	Opposition Group
Transport and Highways	Kevin Greaves	Steve Calvert

(g) That a Mental Health Guardianship Panel be established with 5 members (3 Labour Group, 1 Conservative Group, 1 Liberal Democrat Group), to make decisions on renewal and discharge of guardianship under the Mental Health Act 1983.

- (h) That the 12 places on the Combined Fire Authority will be allocated between the groups as follows;-
 - Labour Group
 Conservative Group
 Liberal Democrat Group
 Independent Group
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- (i) That 1 Majority Group Member be appointed to the Police and Crime Panel.
- (j) That the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee continue to be the representative appointed to the Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee and the Parking Adjudication Joint Committee.
- (k) That representatives from the Majority Group be appointed to the following organisations as shown:-

ORGANISATION	
Local Government Association (LGA)	4
LGA Urban Commission	1
LGA Rural Commission	1
County Councils Network	4

- (I) That the appointment of members of the political groups to committees, sub-committees and joint committees be undertaken by the Team Manager, Democratic Services on behalf of the Chief Executive (the Proper Officer) acting in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Local Government Act 2000 the relevant Statutory Regulations and the Council's Standing Orders.
- (m) That the Team Manager, Democratic Services be authorised to act on behalf of the Chief Executive to appoint people as co-optees to membership of committees or joint committees when required.

Mick Burrows Chief Executive

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Constitutional Comments (JFW 7/5/13)

It is within the functions reserved to the County Council to decide the issues set out in this report

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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Report to Full Council

16 May 2013

Agenda Item: 14

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR, POLICY, PLANNING & CORPORATE SERVICES

PROVISION OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) SUPPORT FOR NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval for an updated approach to ICT provision for Councillors.

Information and Advice

Background

- 2. On 16 April 2013 the Administration Committee agreed a revised approach to the provision of ICT for Councillors. The Committee agreed that Councillors should receive a maximum allocation of £2000 per four year term of office to cover all costs relating to ICT equipment and services. The Committee also agreed that Councillors should purchase their own equipment and be given the opportunity to purchase at market value any equipment currently provided by the County Council. It was further agreed that e-mails and attachments be forwarded to Councillors upon request.
- 3. Some difficulties with this new approach have come to light in the initial implementation phase and therefore it is proposed to bring new proposals to Full Council to refine the new approach to ensure maximum effectiveness.
- 4. These new proposals are currently being fully finalised to ensure they offer a workable solution and will be circulated to Members in the form of an addendum to this report. This will ensure that new Members are able to access ICT provision at the earliest opportunity following the recent election.

Other Options Considered

5. To continue to try to implement the approach agreed by Administration Committee but initial difficulties have been faced in doing so.

Reason for Recommendation

6. To refine the new approach to ensure a more responsive and workable solution.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, ways of working, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

To agree revisions to the new approach to ICT provision for Councillors.

Jayne Francis-Ward Corporate Director Policy, Planning & Corporate Services

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Constitutional Comments

Constitutional comments to be included in the addendum to the report.

Financial Comments

Financial comments to be included in the addendum to the report.

Background Papers

Report to Administration Committee dated 16 April 2013 and draft minutes of that meeting.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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