

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 23 November 2017 (10.30 am – 5.27 pm)

#### Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

#### **COUNCILLORS**

John Handley (Chairman) Mrs Sue Saddington (Vice-Chairman)

Reg Adair John Knight Pauline Allan Bruce Laughton Chris Barnfather John Longdon Rachel Madden Joyce Bosnjak Ben Bradley **David Martin** Nicki Brooks Diana Meale Andrew Brown John Oale Richard Butler Philip Owen Steve Carr Michael Payne John Clarke John Peck JP Neil Clarke MBE Sheila Place John Cottee Liz Plant Jim Creamer Mike Pringle

Mrs Kay Cutts MBE Francis Purdue-Horan A

Samantha Deakin Mike Quigley MBE Alan Rhodes Maureen Dobson Dr John Doddy Kevin Rostance **Boyd Elliott** Phil Rostance Sybil Fielding **Andy Sissons** Kate Foale Helen-Ann Smith **Tracey Taylor** Stephen Garner Glynn Gilfoyle Parry Tsimbiridis Keith Girling Steve Vickers **Kevin Greaves** Keith Walker

Tony Harper Stuart Walker
Errol Henry JP Muriel Weisz
Paul Henshaw Andy Wetton
Tom Hollis Gordon Wheeler
Vaughan Hopewell Jonathan Wheeler
Richard Jackson Yvonne Woodhead

Roger Jackson Martin Wright Eric Kerry Jason Zadrozny

## **HONORARY ALDERMEN**

Martin Brandon-Bravo Terence Butler John Carter

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

David Pearson CBE (Adult Social Care and Public Health)

Jayne Francis-Ward (Resources)

Barbara Brady (Adult Social Care and Public Health)
Colin Pettigrew (Children, Families and Cultural Service)

Derek Higton (Place)
Carl Bilbey (Resources)
Angie Dilley (Resources)
Martin Done (Resources)
Keith Ford (Resources)
David Hennigan (Resources)
Anna O'Daly-Kardasinska (Resources)
Nigel Stevenson (Resources)

## **OPENING PRAYER**

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

### MINUTE'S SILENCE

A minute's silence was held in memory of former County Councillor Rod Kempster.

### 1. MINUTES

**RESOLVED: 2017/039** 

That the minutes of the last meeting of the County Council held on 21 September 2017 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman, subject to recording the attendance of Honorary Aldermen Martin Brandon-Bravo, Terence Butler and John Carter.

## 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from:-

Councillor Francis Purdue-Horan (illness)

### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

## 4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

#### FORMER COUNTY COUNCILLOR ROD KEMPSTER

Councillors Mrs Kay Cutts MBE, Parry Tsimbiridis, Alan Rhodes, Chris Barnfather and Bruce Laughton spoke in memory of former County Councillor Rod Kempster.

## CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

The Chairman updated the Chamber on the business he had carried out on behalf of the Council since the last meeting.

## **PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

#### Customer Services Centre's 10 Year Anniversary

Councillor Neil Clarke introduced the award which the Customer Services Centre had recently received in recognition of the best customer satisfaction ratings across all Councils. This award coincided with the Centre's 10 Year Anniversary. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Neil Clarke and presented it to Helen Spiers, Team Manager, Louise Blant-Harwood, Business Partner and Marie Rowney, Group Manager, Customer Service.

### East Midlands Care Awards - Care Innovator Award

Councillor Stuart Wallace introduced the award which the Combined Day Services Team had won in recognition of the publication of short stories for children about bullying and friendship. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Wallace and presented it to Rosemary Proctor, Day Service Support Worker and Elaine Bagguley, Team Manager (South).

### East Midlands Care Awards - Care Team of the Year finalist

Councillor Stuart Wallace introduced the award which recognised the achievements of the Benefits Team in making the finals of the Care Team of the Year Award. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Wallace and presented it to Paul Stafford, Senior Benefits Advisor, and Benefits Advisors Amanda Shead, Layla Brailsford and Becky Allwood.

#### Armed Forces Covenant – Employer Recognition Scheme – Silver Award

Councillor Keith Girling introduced the award which recognised the achievements of the Council for its commitment, as an employer, to the Armed Forces Covenant. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Girling and presented it to Neil Bettison, Community Engagement Officer.

## 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 David Martin – regarding crime and community safety issues

Councillor Tom Hollis – regarding road safety issues

Councillor Jason Zadrozny – regarding the future of the Nottinghamshire Economic Development Fund

Councillor Samantha Deakin – regarding rising crime in Sutton

Councillor Helen-Ann Smith – regarding road safety in Sutton North.

## 6a. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

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

- (1) Vice-Chairman Councillor Sue Saddington (on behalf of all County Councillors) regarding the INEOS Seismic Survey
- (2) Councillor Roger Jackson requesting a pedestrian crossing on Lower Kirklington Road, Southwell
- (3) Councillor Joyce Bosnjak requesting a residents parking scheme in Castleton Close, Mansfield Woodhouse
- (4) Councillor John Ogle requesting the creation of parking spaces at The Beeches, Newark Road, Tuxford
- (5) Councillor John Ogle requesting more parking spaces at the Birch Court flats, Newark Road, Tuxford
- (6) Councillor John Ogle requesting a pelican crossing on Newark Road, Tuxford
- (7) Councillor John Ogle requesting changes to a lay-by situated at the front of The Beeches, Newark Road, Tuxford
- (8) Councillor Michael Payne requesting the installation of a central refuge on the B684 in Mapperley Plains
- (9) Councillor John Cottee requesting the reinstatement of the entire No. 19 Centrebus bus route
- (10) Councillor Tracey Taylor requesting changes to a junction on the A631 at Harwell

- (11) Councillor Andy Wetton requesting an extension to the 30 miles per hour speed limit on Netherfield Lane to Gleadthorpe Hamlet
- (12) Councillor Andy Wetton requesting speed cameras and interactive speed signs on Netherfield Lane through Meden Vale
- (13) Councillor Errol Henry requesting resurfacing of the road on Pierrepont Avenue, Gedling
- (14) Councillor Yvonne Woodhead requesting a speed reduction from 60 mph to 40 mph along Warsop Lane, from Blidworth to Rainworth
- (15) Councillor Muriel Weisz regarding parking problems at the junction of Kenrick Road and Porchester Road, Mapperley
- (16) Councillor Sybil Fielding regarding parking issues on Hamilton Street, Worksop
- (17) Councillor Andy Wetton regarding **see David Ebbage** (additional petition)

### **RESOLVED: 2017/040**

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.

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

**RESOLVED: 2017/041** 

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

### **DERBY - NOTTINGHAM METROPOLITAN (METRO) STRATEGY 2030**

It was agreed that the procedure rules be suspended to enable representatives of each of the political parties to make statements about this recently published document. Councillors Mrs Kay Cutts MBE, Alan Rhodes, Jason Zadrozny, Stephen Garner and Steve Carr underlined their concerns about the lack of consultation with Nottinghamshire County Council, Derbyshire County Council and District and Borough Councils within the area. Following these statements, the procedure rules were reinstated.

## 7. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MARKETS IN FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS DIRECTIVE (MIFID II)

Councillor Richard Jackson introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2017/042 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor John Ogle.

**RESOLVED: 2017/042** 

1) That the Section 151 Officer be approved to complete the applications for elected professional client status with all relevant institutions in order to ensure it can continue to implement an effective treasury management strategy.

2) That it be acknowledged and agreed to forego the protections available to retail clients as a result of electing for professional client status.

## 8. FAIR FUNDING REVIEW

Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE introduced the report and moved a motion reflecting the recommendations as set out in the report.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Reg Adair.

Following a debate, Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE moved an amended motion in terms of resolution 2017/043 below.

The amended motion was seconded by Councillor Reg Adair.

**RESOLVED: 2017/043** 

1) That Councillors continue to receive updates on the progress of the fair Funding Review.

2) That the Leader of the Council writes to the Government, on behalf of all 66 County Councillors, setting out the evidence in support of the Council's demand for a fair share of funding from Government.

## 9. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REPORT 2017/18

Councillor Richard Jackson introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2017/042 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Roger Jackson.

**RESOLVED: 2017/044** 

That approval be given to the actions taken by the Section 151 Officer to date, as set out in the report.

#### 10. QUESTIONS

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

One question had been received as follows:-

 from Councillor Jason Zadrozny regarding proposed crewing changes at Ashfield, Retford and Worksop fire stations (Councillor Michael Payne – Vice Chairman of the Fire Authority responded)

The full response to this question is set out in Appendix A to these minutes.

## (b) QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Fifteen questions had been received as follows:-

1. from Councillor Mike Pringle regarding supporting development locally (Councillor Kay Cutts MBE replied)

Questions 2 and 3 were taken together.

- 2. from Councillor David Martin about the Highways Capital Maintenance Programme Budget (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 3. from Councillor Tom Hollis concerning the Highways Capital and Revenue Programme (Councillor John Cottee replied)

Having received the answer to their questions, Councillor David Martin moved that there be a debate on their questions. This was seconded by Councillor Tom Hollis. Questions 2 and 3 were therefore adjourned until Item 12 – Adjournment Debate.

- 4. from Councillor Joyce Bosnjak concerning funding of voluntary organisations (Councillor Gordon Wheeler replied)
- 5. from Councillor Rachel Madden regarding the roll out of broadband (Councillor Gordon Wheeler replied)
- 6. from Councillor Rachel Madden about hotspots for dangerous speeding (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 7. from Councillor David Martin concerning Garden Waste recycling in Ashfield (Councillor Kevin Rostance replied)
- 8. from Councillor Tom Hollis regarding a travellers' site in Huthwaite (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 9. from Councillor Jason Zadrozny about investment in fossil fuel companies (Councillor Zadrozny withdrew this question at the meeting)
- 10.from Councillor Rachel Madden about submissions for footpaths and bridleways (Councillor John Cottee replied)

- 11.from Councillor Jason Zadrozny regarding the Nottinghamshire Economic Development Fund (Councillor Kay Cutts MBE replied)
- 12.from Councillor Helen-Ann Smith about the Police store net service (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 13.from Councillor Jason Zadrozny regarding the Secretary of State for Transport and the electrification of Midland Mainline (Councillor Kay Cutts MBE replied)

The full responses to the questions above are set out in set out in Appendix B to these minutes.

The time limit of 60 minutes allowed for questions was reached before the following questions were asked. A written response to the questions would be provided to the Councillors who asked the question within 15 working days of the meeting and be included in the papers for the next Full Council meeting.

- 14.from Councillor Tom Hollis concerning Sure Start Children's Centres (Councillor Philip Owen to provide a written response)
- 15.from Councillor Samantha Deakin regarding 'The Economic Case for the Derby-Nottingham Metro' (Councillor Deakin withdrew this question at the meeting)

Council adjourned from 1.07 pm to 2.13pm.

Due to illness, Councillor Yvonne Woodhead did not return to the meeting following the adjournment.

## 13. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

### **MOTION ONE**

A motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Alan Rhodes and seconded by Councillor Jason Zadrozny:-

"Nottinghamshire County Council:

- 1. Notes that the Government have granted 41 Petroleum Exploration Development Licences by the National Government. This includes sites in all districts in Nottinghamshire.
- Recognises and acknowledges that in its ownership or management, the County of Nottinghamshire has many jewels in its crown. These areas include the iconic and historic Sherwood Forest and these areas of such natural beauty should be protected for future generations

 Notes that the Government have granted exploratory licenses to allow companies to conduct companies to conduct seismic testing at a number of sites across the county

Nottinghamshire County Council therefore:

- 1. Commits to promote a green economy that will deliver skilled jobs and lower bills, as well tackling the urgent threat from climate change.
- 2. Commits to not permitting seismic testing on any land owned or managed by Nottinghamshire County Council preserving the public use and the environmental benefits of such areas.
- 3. Will write to the Government asking them to focus on unlocking the jobs and growth that a low-carbon energy infrastructure could provide for our industry, workforce and communities in Nottinghamshire."

Following a debate, the motion 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 30 Members voted '**For**' the motion:-

Pauline Allan
Joyce Bosnjak
Nicki Brooks
Steve Carr
John Clarke
Jim Creamer
Samantha Deakin
Maureen Dobson
Sybil Fielding
Kate Foale
Glynn Gilfoyle
Kevin Greaves
Errol Henry JP
Paul Henshaw

John Knight
Rachel Madden
David Martin
Diana Meale
Michael Payne
John Peck JP
Sheila Place
Liz Plant
Mike Pringle
Alan Rhodes
Helen-Ann Smith
Parry Tsimbiridis
Muriel Weisz
Andy Wetton
Jason Zadzonzy

The following 34 Members voted 'Against' the motion:-

Reg Adair Chris Barnfather Ben Bradley Andrew Brown Richard Butler Neil Clarke MBE John Cottee

Tom Hollis

Mrs Kay Cutts MBE
Dr John Doddy
Boyd Elliott
Stephen Garner
Keith Girling
John Handley
Tony Harper

Vaughan Hopewell Richard Jackson Roger Jackson Eric Kerry

Bruce Laughton John Longdon John Ogle Philip Owen

Mike Quigley MBE Kevin Rostance Phil Rostance

Mrs Sue Saddington

Andy Sissons
Tracey Taylor
Steve Vickers
Keith Walker
Stuart Wallace
Gordon Wheeler
Jonathan Wheeler
Martin Wright

The Chairman declared that the motion was lost.

## **MOTION TWO**

A motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Jason Zadrozny and seconded by Councillor Tom Hollis:-

"This Council notes the current proposals being consulted on by the Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (NSFS) to introduce 'mixed crewing' (a mixture of full time or 'wholetime' firefighters with on call or 'retained' personnel) at two out of three fire stations, Ashfield, Retford or Worksop. This would mean that 2 out of the 3 selected stations would have no full time firefighter cover at night.

This Council believes that the proposals from Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) to save £1m a year would put public safety at risk.

This Council notes that the Public Consultation on the proposals ends on December 17th. NCC call on the public of Nottinghamshire to take part in this vital consultation and will provide details of how to do so prominently on their website.

Calls for the County Council to take part in the consultation and state that the preferred option of this County Council is that current service levels at all 3 stations are maintained.

Calls for a meeting with Minister of State for Policing and the Fire Service – Nick Hurd MP and the leaders of the Ashfield Independents, the Conservatives and Labour Parties to discuss budget cuts at the Authority."

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

## **MOTION THREE**

Councillor Stuart Wallace introduced and move the motion in terms of resolution 2017/045 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE.

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

The requisite number of Members requested a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 40 Members voted 'For' the motion:-

Reg Adair
Chris Barnfather
John Longdon
Ben Bradley
Rachel Madden
Andrew Brown
David Martin
Richard Butler
John Ogle
Neil Clarke MBE
Philip Owen

John Cottee Mike Quigley MBE
Mrs Kay Cutts MBE Kevin Rostance
Samantha Deakin Phil Rostance

Dr John Doddy Mrs Sue Saddington

Boyd Elliott Andy Sissons
Stephen Garner Helen-Ann Smith
Keith Girling Tracey Taylor
John Handley Steve Vickers
Tony Harper Keith Walker
Tom Hollis Stuart Wallace

Vaughan Hopewell Gordon Wheeler Richard Jackson Jonathan Wheeler Roger Jackson Martin Wright Eric Kerry Jason Zadzonzy

The following 23 Members voted 'Against' the motion:-

Pauline Allan John Knight Diana Meale Joyce Bosnjak Nicki Brooks Michael Payne John Peck JP Steve Carr John Clarke Sheila Place Jim Creamer Liz Plant Sybil Fielding Mike Pringle Kate Foale Alan Rhodes

Glynn Gilfoyle Parry Tsimbiridis
Kevin Greaves Muriel Weisz
Errol Henry JP Andy Wetton

Paul Henshaw

Councillor Maureen Dobson abstained from the vote.

The Chairman declared that the motion was carried.

**RESOLVED: 2017/045** 

That the Leader of the Council should write to the Secretary of State for Health stating that Nottinghamshire County Council:-

- Supports the policy of successive governments to achieve better integration of health and social care services, and supports the Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) as a means of serving the needs of the population and providing the best value for public money, as enshrined in this Council's agreed guiding principles for integration;
- Supports the development of a countywide approach to the commissioning of health and social care provision that is transparent, subject to public consultation, and delivers consistent, flexible, high quality, financially sustainable services, in particular for people with long term conditions and/or disabilities;
- Believes health and social care for Nottinghamshire residents should be provided within the County boundaries, as close to their homes as possible, and specifically calls for Bassetlaw to be part of the Nottinghamshire STP to ensure better and consistent delivery aligned with other council services;
- Supports enhanced political scrutiny of the STP through the participation of elected County Councillors and NHS Board Chairs in an advisory capacity, and well ensure that the Council's legal and financial responsibilities are met through direct oversight by County Councillors and officers.

## 11. ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Arising from the response to the questions to Councillor John Cottee concerning the Highways Capital Maintenance Programme and the Highways Capital and Revenue Programme, the motion as set out below was moved by Councillor David Martin and seconded by Councillor Tom Hollis:-

"That the Council does now stand adjourned for a token period."

The motion having been duly seconded was debated.

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, no vote was taken.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 5.27 pm.

#### **CHAIRMAN**