



Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 24 November 2022 (10.30 am – 3.00 pm)

Membership

COUNCILLORS

Roger Jackson (Chairman)

John Ogle (Vice-Chairman)

Reg Adair
Mike Adams
Pauline Allan - apologies
Sinead Anderson
Callum Bailey
Matt Barney
Chris Barnfather
Ben Bradley MP
Richard Butler
Anne Callaghan BEM
André Camilleri
Scott Carlton
Steve Carr
John Clarke MBE
Neil Clarke MBE
Robert Corden
John Cottee
Jim Creamer
Debbie Darby
Sam Deakin - apologies
Dr John Doddy
Bethan Eddy
Boyd Elliott
Sybil Fielding
Kate Foale
Stephen Garner
Glynn Gilfoyle
Keith Girling - apologies
Penny Gowland
Errol Henry JP
Paul Henshaw
Tom Hollis - apologies

Mike Introna
Richard Jackson
Eric Kerry
Bruce Laughton
Johnno Lee
David Martin
John 'Maggie' McGrath
Andy Meakin
Nigel Moxon
Kane Oliver - apologies
Philip Owen
Michael Payne
Sheila Place
Mike Pringle
Francis Purdue-Horan
Mike Quigley MBE
Mrs Sue Saddington
Dave Shaw
Helen-Ann Smith
Sam Smith
Tom Smith
Tracey Taylor
Nigel Turner
Roger Upton
Lee Waters
Michelle Welsh
Gordon Wheeler
Jonathan Wheeler
Daniel Williamson - apologies
Elizabeth Williamson
John Wilmott
Jason Zadrozny

HONORARY ALDERMEN

Mrs Kay Cutts MBE

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Adrian Smith	(Chief Executive)
Marjorie Toward	(Chief Executives)
Sarah Ashton	(Chief Executives)
Carl Bilbey	(Chief Executives)
Isobel Fleming	(Chief Executives)
Keith Ford	(Chief Executives)
Phil Rostance	(Chief Executives)
Nigel Stevenson	(Chief Executives)
Phil Smith	(Chief Executives)
Jonathan Gribbin	(Adult Social Care and Health)
Melanie Williams	(Adult Social Care and Health)
Colin Pettigrew	(Children and Families)
Derek Higton	(Place)

OPENING PRAYER

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

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED: 2022/038

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 September 2022, with an amendment to page 4 replacing the name Vaughan Hopewell with Eddie Cubley, and the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 4 November 2022 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:-

- Councillor Pauline Allan (medical/illness)
- Councillor Samantha Deakin (medical/illness)
- Councillor Keith Girling (other County Council Business)
- Councillor Tom Hollis (other)
- Councillor Kane Oliver (other)
- Councillor Daniel Williamson (medical/illness)

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Municipal Journal Award Transforming Lives Category - Life Chances Fund Project, Futures

Councillor Tracey Taylor introduced the award which was won by the Life Chances Fund NEET Support Programme delivered by Futures, which was a programme receiving joint match funding from the City and County Councils. The project was developed to provide targeted support to particular groups of young people who often struggled to secure and maintain education, employment and training. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Taylor and presented it to Jennie Willock – Interim Chief Executive Officer and Esther Murray – Contract Manager for Life Chances / Future Impact both of whom were from Futures.

LEXCEL Recertification – Legal Services

Councillor Gordon Wheeler introduced the item which was awarded for the successful recertification of the LEXCEL accreditation by the Legal Services Department. LEXCEL is an internationally recognised legal practice quality mark showing quality in relation to legal practice management standards including client care and compliance. Legal Services has maintained its accreditation for 21 years to ensure it continues to provide a high standard of service. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Gordon Wheeler and presented it to Sorriya Richeux – Team Manager, Alex Hansen, Amber Brainch and Karl Potter – Legal Practitioners and Mandy Chatterton – Business Support Administrator.

LGC Technology Award - NottAlone

Councillor Tracey Taylor introduced the award, which was won by NottAlone which is a website for collating and sharing local mental health advice and help for young people in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire. Funded by the Department for Education Wellbeing for Education Return Project, NottAlone was developed by young people, parents, carers and professionals from Nottinghamshire County and Nottingham City Councils and NHS Trusts, as well as local charities and organisations. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Tracey Taylor and presented it to Dr Órlaith Green, Senior Educational Psychologist.

LGC Outstanding Individual Contribution Award – Ceren Clulow

Councillor Reg Adair introduced the award which was won by Ceren Clulow for her work leading the world-first 5G Connected Forest project as well as being hailed a role model in her field. Ceren was recognised by the judges for her drive and resilience in leading the project as well as the £10 million funding she secured to make this unique research happen and which had boosted the county's reputation for cutting-edge technology to help tourism and the environment. The Chairman received the award

from Councillor Reg Adair and presented it to Ceren Clulow – Senior Economic Development Officer.

CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS SINCE THE LAST MEETING AND PRESENTATION BY THE UKRAINIAN CULTURAL CENTRE

The Chairman thanked members for their support to the Scouts at their recent event. The Chairman's Prize Draw had been launched in support of the Ukrainian Cultural Centre. The Chairman also highlighted a number of events taking place over the Christmas period.

Lina Maksymuk from the Ukrainian Cultural Centre attended and gave a presentation to the meeting on the work of the Centre.

5. CONSTITUENCY ISSUES

The following Member 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 Paul Henshaw regarding library services in Mansfield West.

6a. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

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

- (1) Councillor Sam Smith (on behalf of Councillor Keith Girdling), regarding parking issues at Parkway and Valley Prospect in Newark arising from Devon and Scone Park
- (2) Councillor Matt Barney regarding road resurfacing in East Leake
- (3) Councillor Sam Smith and Councillor John Lee regarding the development of land surrounding Highfields School, Balderton
- (4) Councillor Bethan Eddy regarding safety measures in and around Spion Kop in Warsop
- (5) Councillor Errol Henry JP regarding the resurfacing of Westdale Lane
- (6) Councillor John Cottee regarding a request for a pedestrian crossing on Wolds Drive, Keyworth
- (7) Councillor Penny Gowland regarding reductions in fire and rescue services at London Road and West Bridgford stations
- (8) Councillor Sybil Fielding regarding the building of Gateford School.

RESOLVED: 2022/039

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

Councillor Sybil Fielding left the Chamber at 11.18am during consideration of this item and did not return.

6b. RESPONSES TO PETITIONS PRESENTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

RESOLVED: 2022/040

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

7. EASTWOOD BY-ELECTION RESULT AND MEMBERS OF GROUPS

Councillor Chris Barnfather introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2022/041 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Bruce Laughton.

The Chairman put the motion to the meeting and after a show of hands the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2022/041

- 1) That the outcome of the by-election held in the Eastwood Division be noted.
- 2) That it be noted that Councillor Kane Oliver had joined the Independent Alliance Group of the Council.

8. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

Councillor Chris Barnfather introduced the report and moved a motion (altered to change the name of the Children and Young People's Select Committee to Children and Families Select Committee) in terms of resolution 2022/042 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Bruce Laughton.

The Chairman put the motion to the meeting and after a show of hands the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2022/042

- 1) That the Council confirm the revised allocation of committee seats as set out in Appendix A, including the increase in number of seats on Overview Committee from 11 to 13 seats.
- 2) That Councillor Francis Purdue-Horan be appointed as the Vice-Chairman of the Children and Families Select Committee until the Annual Meeting in May 2023.
- 3) To note the change of name of the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People to the Cabinet Member for Children and Families.

9. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME – UPDATE REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

Councillor Chris Barnfather introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2022/043 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Bruce Laughton.

The Chairman put the motion to the meeting and after a show of hands the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2022/043

- 1) That the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) be noted.
- 2) That the proposed revised Members' Allowances Scheme, included as Appendix B to the IRP report, be approved.

10. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE INTEGRATED CARE PARTNERSHIP – REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE

Councillor Matt Barney introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2022/044 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Dr John Doddy.

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

RESOLVED: 2022/044

The Council approves the revised Terms of Reference for the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Partnership, and that the Council's Constitution be updated accordingly.

Councillor Jason Zadrozny left the Chamber at 11.32am and returned at 11.53am during consideration of this item.

11. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE YOUTH JUSTICE STRATEGY 2022-23 UPDATE

Councillor Tracey Taylor introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2022/045 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Sinead Anderson

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

RESOLVED: 2022/045

That the Nottinghamshire Youth Justice Strategy 2022/23, as set out in Appendix 1 of the report, be approved.

Councillor Stephen Garner left the Chamber at 11.56am and returned at 12.11pm during consideration of this item.

12. EXECUTIVE REPORT – KEY ISSUES AND ACTIVITIES

RESOLVED: 2022/046

That the contents of the report be noted.

The Council adjourned from 12.30pm to 1.42pm for lunch.

Having given apologies to the Chairman, Councillor Stephen Garner did not return to the Chamber after lunch (medical/illness).

Councillor Dave Shaw did not return to the Chamber after lunch.

13a. QUESTIONS TO NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM FIRE AUTHORITY

Six questions had been received as follows: -

- 1) from Councillor Jason Zadrozny concerning efficiencies across services (Councillor Michael Payne replied)
- 2) from Councillor Jason Zadrozny concerning the fire service review (Councillor Michael Payne replied)
- 3) from Councillor Jim Creamer concerning budgets and regional comparisons (Councillor Michael Payne replied)
- 4) from Councillor Mike Pringle concerning impact of reduced budgets (Councillor Michael Payne replied)

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

The time limit of 15 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 questions within 15 working days of the meeting and be included in the papers for the next Full Council meeting.

- 5) from Councillor Kate Foale concerning impacts of cuts on residents' safety (Councillor Michael Payne to reply)
- 6) from Councillor Penny Gowland concerning actions taken to mitigate impacts of COVID-19 and inflationary pressures (Councillor Michael Payne to reply)

The following Members left the Chamber for more than 10 minutes during consideration of this item:-

- Councillor John Cottee left the Chamber at 2.21pm and returned at 2.33pm.
- Councillor Helen-Ann Smith left the Chamber at 2.24pm and returned at 2.38pm.

11b. QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Eight questions had been received as follows: -

- 1) from Councillor Jim Creamer concerning Central Government Funding (Councillor Richard Jackson replied)
- 2) from Councillor Sam Smith concerning the development of land surrounding Highfields School in Balderton (Councillor Keith Girling replied)
- 3) from Councillor Penny Gowland concerning school transport for vulnerable children (Councillor Tracey Taylor replied)
- 4) from Councillor Mike Pringle concerning Home Care Work Mileage Allowance Relief (Councillor Matt Barney replied)
- 5) from Councillor Penny Gowland concerning match day parking (Councillor Neil Clarke MBE replied)
- 6) from Councillor Francis Purdue-Horan concerning Central Government funding (Councillor Richard Jackson replied)
- 7) from Councillor Michelle Welsh concerning funding for Early Years education and childcare service (Councillor Tracey Taylor replied)
- 8) from Councillor Paul Henshaw concerning £1 pay rise for Care Workers (Councillor Matt Barney replied)

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

14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

MOTION ONE

This motion fell as the seconder, having given their apologies to the meeting, was not in the Chamber to second the motion.

MOTION TWO

This motion was withdrawn.

MOTION THREE

A motion was moved by Councillor Michelle Welsh and seconded by Councillor Anne Callaghan BEM in terms of the resolution 2022/047 below.

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

RESOLVED: 2022/047

That this Council acknowledges that families in Nottinghamshire have experienced devastating loss and bereavement in recent years.

It is clear at present that more can be done to support all bereaved Nottinghamshire families.

To adopt the Charter for Families Bereaved through Public Tragedy would reaffirm this Council's commitment to providing services that meet the needs of Nottinghamshire residents before, during and after such an incident.

The Charter can be found on page 32 of the House of Commons report authored by The Right Reverend James Jones KBE, published on 1st November 2017.

This Council therefore agrees to adopt the Charter for Families Bereaved through Public Tragedy.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 3.00 pm.

CHAIRMAN