



Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 26th November 2015 (10.30 am – 12.38 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with `A`

COUNCILLORS

Sybil Fielding (Chairman)
Yvonne Woodhead (Vice-Chairman)

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

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Anthony May	(Chief Executive)
Jayne Francis–Ward	(Resources)
Chris Kenny	(Adult Social Care, Health & Public Protection)
Paul McKay	(Adult Social Care, Health & Public Protection)
Colin Pettigrew	(Children, Families and Cultural Services)
Sara Allmond	(Resources)
Carl Bilbey	(Resources)
Martin Done	(Resources)
Catherine Munro	(Resources)
Anna O'Daly-Kardasinska	(Resources)
Neil 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 the victims of the terrorist attacks in Paris. The French flag would be flown for 1 week in a show of solidarity with the French people.

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED: 2015/044

That the Minutes of the last meeting of the County Council held on 17th September 2015 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence was received from:-

Councillor John Allin (medical/illness)
Councillor Keith Longdon (other reasons)

Councillor John Cottey submitted an apology that he would need to leave the meeting at approximately 11.25am (other County Council Business).

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

(a) STATEMENT FROM THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

The Leader of the Council made a statement to the Chamber in relation to the forthcoming Goddard Inquiry announcement.

(b) PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

"Excellence in User Experience" in the 2015 UXUK Award

Councillor Darren Langton introduced the award won by the Digital First Team for the Council's new website. The website was praised for being exceptional, a stand out and the benchmark for local government. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Langton and presented it to Sarah Lay, Leigh Walker, Tom Styles and Jeni Raine from the Digital First Team.

Public Sector Award at Halsbury Law Awards

Councillor Darren Langton introduced the award won by the Legal Services Team. The Public Sector category recognised those in the public sector who were able to show innovation and better services for the public. The judges recognised the Legal Services Team's drive and enthusiasm to make significant service improvements and savings by embracing new ways of working. The Chairman received the award from Councillor Langton and presented it to Heather Dickinson – Group Manager, Sorriya Richeux – Team Manager and Catherine Haywood – Senior Solicitor, all from Legal Services.

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 John Ogle – East Markham Primary School's campaign for a school hall

Councillor Sue Saddington – the need for enhanced safety measures on the C3 road in Kilvington

Councillor John Wilmott – a possible "super surgery", the provision of public toilets in Hucknall and road issues caused by proposed house building in the area.

6a. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

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

- (1) Councillor Bruce Laughton requesting a 40mph speed limit through Norwell Woodhouse
- (2) Councillor Maureen Dobson requesting a change of use of a grassed area to off road parking on Derwent Way
- (3) Councillor Jason Zadrozny regarding speeding on Mansfield Road
- (4) Councillor Roger Jackson regarding concerns about potential increases in traffic on A617 through Kilkington if a quarry site is opened
- (5) Councillor John Ogle requesting a new crossing at Tuxford Primary Academy
- (6) Councillor John Ogle requesting a footpath from Dunham on Trent
- (7) Councillor Tony Roberts regarding facilities at Orchard Special School, Newark
- (8) Councillor Kevin Greave requesting a residents' parking scheme on Devonshire Street in Worksop
- (9) Councillor Kevin Greaves requesting a resident's parking scheme by residents of Eastgate and Godley Villas in Worksop
- (10) Councillor Ian Campbell requesting a pelican crossing on Moorgate/Welham Road
- (11) Councillor John Wilmott requesting a public toilet in Hucknall Library
- (12) Councillor John Wilmott requesting a new "super surgery" for Hucknall
- (13) Councillor Richard Butler regarding bus services in Cropwell Bishop
- (14) Councillor Stuart Wallace regarding traffic speeds on Beacon Hill, Newark
- (15) Councillor Liz Yates concerning the relocation of a bus shelter on Fox Covert Lane in Misterton

RESOLVED: 2015/045

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. PETITION RESPONSES REPORT FROM TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: 2015/046

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 any matters of clarification in the Minutes of Committee meetings published since the last meeting.

8. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REPORT 2015/16

Councillor David Kirkham introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/047 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Darren Langton.

RESOLVED: 2015/047

That the Council's treasury management activities for the first half of 2015/16 be noted.

9. COUNTY BOUNDARY REVIEW – FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEW ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

Councillor Alan Rhodes introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/48 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Joyce Bosnjak.

RESOLVED: 2015/048

That the Commission's final recommendations on new electoral arrangements for the County be noted.

10. RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF GROUPS

Councillor Steve Carroll introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/49 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Nicki Brooks.

RESOLVED: 2015/049

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

11. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

Councillor Steve Carroll introduced the report and appendix circulated separately and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/50 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Nicki Brooks.

RESOLVED: 2015/050

That the allocation of committee seats, as set out in the appendix be approved, in order to fulfil the statutory requirement for political balance on committees.

Councillor John Cottee, having previously submitted his apologies, left the meeting at 11.25am during consideration of this item to attend other County Council business and did not return.

12. QUESTIONS

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

No questions were received

(b) QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Six questions had been received as follows:-

- 1) from Councillor Stuart Wallace about sufficient facilities such as rubbish bins (Councillor Kevin Greaves replied)
- 2) from Councillor Jason Zadrozny regarding consultation process with members regarding Section 106 funding for school places and buildings (Councillor John Peck JP Greaves replied)
- 3) from Councillor Jason Zadrozny concerning winter gritting (Councillor Kevin Greaves replied)
- 4) from Councillor John Wilmott about funding for voluntary organisations (Councillor Joyce Bosnjak replied)

- 5) from Councillor John Wilmott regarding services for blind and partially sighted people (Councillor Muriel Weisz replied)
- 6) from Councillor Bruce Laughton concerning a planning application decision for Bilsthorpe Energy Centre (Councillor John Wilkinson replied)

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

13. ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

None

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 12.38 pm.

CHAIRMAN

