

Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 26th February 2015 (10.30 am – 9.35 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with `A'

COUNCILLORS

Pauline Allan (Chairman) Sybil Fielding (Vice-Chairman)

Reg Adair Roy Allan John Allin Chris Barnfather Alan Bell Joyce Bosnjak Nicki Brooks Andrew Brown **Richard Butler** Steve Calvert Ian Campbell Steve Carr Steve Carroll John Clarke John Cottee Jim Creamer Mrs Kay Cutts MBE Maureen Dobson Dr John Doddy **Boyd Elliott** Kate Foale Stephen Garner **Glynn Gilfoyle Kevin Greaves** Alice Grice John Handley **Colleen Harwood** Stan Heptinstall MBE Tom Hollis **Richard Jackson Roger Jackson** David Kirkham John Knight

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Darren Langton Bruce Laughton Keith Longdon Rachel Madden Diana Meale John Ogle Philip Owen **Michael Payne** John Peck JP Sheila Place Liz Plant Mike Pringle Darrell Pulk Alan Rhodes Ken Rigby **Tony Roberts MBE** Mrs Sue Saddington Andy Sissons Pam Skelding Martin Suthers OBE Parry Tsimbiridis Gail Turner Keith Walker Stuart Wallace Muriel Weisz Gordon Wheeler John Wilkinson Jacky Williams John Willmott Yvonne Woodhead Liz Yates Jason Zadrozny

HONORARY ALDERMEN

Martin Brandon-Bravo OBE

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Anthony May Jayne Francis–Ward Jon Wilson Derek Higton Chris Kenny Tim Gregory Nigel Stevenson Robert Knott Tamsin Rabbitts Neil Robinson Sara Allmond Carl Bilbey Martin Done Dawn Lawrence Catherine Munro	 (Deputy Chief Executive) (Policy, Planning and Corporate Services) (Adult Social Care, Health and Public Protection) (Children, Families and Cultural Services) (Public Health) (Environment and Resources) (Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
Anna Vincent Michelle Welsh	(Policy, Planning and Corporate Services)
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OPENING PRAYER

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

FORMER COUNTY COUNCILLOR VINCENT DOBSON

Members stood in silence in remembrance of former County Councillor Vincent Dobson

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED: 2015/009

That the Minutes of the last meeting of the County Council held on 15th January 2015 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Maureen Dobson (other reasons) and Councillor Rachel Madden (Medical/Illness).

An apology for absence was also received from Councillor Gordon Wheeler who would be arriving late due to a medical appointment.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

Former County Councillor Vincent Dobson

The Chairman, Councillor Alan Rhodes, Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE, Councillor Gail Turner, Councillor Keith Walker, Councillor Stuart Wallace, Councillor Parry Tsimbiridis, Councillor Darrell Pulk, Councillor Stan Heptinstall and Councillor Joyce Bosnjak all spoke in memory of former County Councillor Vincent Dobson.

5a. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

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

- (1) Councillor Andrew Brown regarding a lack of bus services between his division and the Queen's Medical Centre
- (2) Councillor Sue Saddington regarding Broadband services in Fiskerton and Morton
- (3) Councillor Sue Saddington regarding Broadband services in East Stoke and Thorpe
- (4) Councillor Darren Langton requesting a safe crossing point on Chesterfield Road, Pleasley Hill
- (5) Councillor John Knight against proposed traffic scheme in Kirkby in Ashfield
- (6) Councillor John Ogle requesting traffic calming measures in East Drayton
- (7) Councillor Philip Owen regarding speed limit on A610 in his division

RESOLVED: 2014/010

That the petitions be referred to the relevant Committees for consideration in accordance with the Procedure Rules, with a report being brought back to Council in due course

5b. PETITION RESPONSES REPORT - CULTURE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: 2014/011

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

<u>5c. PETITION RESPONSES REPORT – ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY</u> <u>COMMITTEE</u>

RESOLVED: 2014/012

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

<u>5d. PETITION RESPONSES REPORT – TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS</u> <u>COMMITTEE</u>

RESOLVED: 2014/013

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

6. 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

7. ANNUAL BUDGET 2015/2016 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2015/16 to 2018/19 MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2015/16 to 2018/19 COUNCIL TAX PRECEPT 2015/16

Councillor David Kirkham introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2015/014 below, which was duly seconded by Councillor Alan Rhodes.

Councillor Reg Adair moved the Conservative Group's amendment which is set out in Appendix 1 to the minutes which was seconded by Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE.

Following an adjournment from 11.17am to 11.35am to consider the amendment, the Motion and amendment were debated. During the debate Council adjourned from 12.33 pm to 1.32 pm for lunch, from 4.25 pm to 4.57 pm and from 7.20 pm to 7.45 pm.

Councillor Wheeler having submitted his apologies for arriving late to the meeting due to a medical appointment arrived at the meeting at 11.47am.

Councillor Madden, having submitted her apologies for the meeting due to medical/illness, arrived at the meeting at 4.57pm.

Councillor Tom Hollis and Councillor Jason Zadrozny arrived at the meeting at 4.57pm.

The Conservative Group's amendment was put to the meeting and after a show of hands the Chairman declared that the vote was equal. The Chairman used her casting vote and declared that it was lost.

A recorded vote was legally required and it was ascertained that the following 33 Members voted '**For**' the amendment:-

Reg Adair Chris Barnfather Andrew Brown Richard Butler Ian Campbell Steve Carr John Cottee Mrs Kay Cutts MBE Dr John Doddy **Boyd Elliott** Stephen Garner John Handley Stan Heptinstall Tom Hollis Richard Jackson Roger Jackson Bruce Laughton

Keith Longdon Rachel Madden John Ogle Philip Owen Ken Rigby Tony Roberts MBE Mrs Sue Saddington Andy Sissons Martin Suthers OBE Gail Turner Keith Walker Stuart Wallace Gordon Wheeler Jacky Williams Liz Yates Jason Zadrozny

The following 33 Members voted 'AGAINST' the amendment:-

Pauline Allan
Roy Allan
John Allin
Alan Bell
Joyce Bosnjak
Nicki Brooks
Steve Calvert
Steve Carroll
John Clarke
Jim Creamer
Sybil Fielding
Kate Foale
Glynn Gilfoyle
Kevin Greaves
Alice Grice
Colleen Harwood
David Kirkham

John Knight Darren Langton Diana Meale Michael Payne John Peck JP Sheila Place Liz Plant Mike Pringle Darrell Pulk Alan Rhodes Pam Skelding Parry Tsimbiridis Muriel Weisz John Wilkinson John Wilmott Yvonne Woodhead The Chairman used her casting vote and voted against the amendment.

The original motion was then put to the meeting and after a show of hands the Chairman declared that the vote was equal. The Chairman used her casting vote and declared that it was carried.

A recorded vote was legal required and it was ascertained that the following 33 Members voted '**For**' the motion:-

Pauline Allan Roy Allan John Allin Alan Bell Joyce Bosnjak Nicki Brooks Steve Calvert Steve Carroll John Clarke Jim Creamer Sybil Fielding Kate Foale Glynn Gilfoyle Kevin Greaves Alice Grice Colleen Harwood David Kirkham

John Knight Darren Langton **Diana Meale** Michael Payne John Peck JP Sheila Place Liz Plant Mike Pringle Darrell Pulk Alan Rhodes Pam Skelding Parry Tsimbiridis Muriel Weisz John Wilkinson John Wilmott Yvonne Woodhead

The following 33 Members voted 'AGAINST' the motion:-

Reg Adair Chris Barnfather Andrew Brown **Richard Butler** Ian Campbell Steve Carr John Cottee Mrs Kay Cutts MBE Dr John Doddy **Boyd Elliott** Stephen Garner John Handley Stan Heptinstall Tom Hollis Richard Jackson Roger Jackson **Bruce Laughton**

Keith Longdon Rachel Madden John Ogle Philip Owen Ken Rigby Tony Roberts MBE Mrs Sue Saddington Andy Sissons Martin Suthers OBE Gail Turner Keith Walker Stuart Wallace Gordon Wheeler **Jacky Williams** Liz Yates Jason Zadrozny

The Chairman used her casting vote and voted for the Motion.

The Chairman declared the motion carried and it was:-

RESVOLVED: 2015/014

- 1) That the Annual Revenue Budget for Nottinghamshire County Council be set at £487.227 million for 2015/16.
- 2) That the principles underlying the Medium Term Financial Strategy be approved.
- 3) That the Category B and C proposals as set out in appendices A and B of the report be approved and implemented subject to any further required consultation.
- 4) That the Finance and Property Committee be authorised to make allocations from the General Contingency for 2015/16.
- 5) That the County Council element of the Council Tax be increased by 1.99%, that is, set at a standard Band D tax rate of £1,241.14 with the various bands of property as set out in the report
- 6) That the County Precept for the year ending 31 March 2016 shall be £292,975,653 and shall be applicable to the whole of the district council areas as General Expenses.
- 7) That the County Precept for 2015/16 shall be collected from the District and Borough Councils in the proportions set out in Table 5 in the report with the payment of equal instalments on the dates set out in the report
- 8) The Capital Programme for 2015/16 to 2018/19 be approved at the total amounts below and be financed as set out in the report:

Year	Capital Programme
2015/16	£112.039m
2016/17	£94.787m
2017/18	£45.451m
2018/19	£39.792m

- 9) That the variations to the Capital Programme be approved.
- 10)That the Minimum Revenue Provision policy for 2015/16 be approved as set out in appendix E of the report.
- 11)That the Prudential Indicators be approved as set out in appendix F of the report
- 12) The Service Director Finance & Procurement be authorised to raise loans in 2015/16 within the limits of total external borrowings.

- 13)That the Treasury Management Strategy for 2015/16 be approved as set out in appendix G of the report
- 14)That the Treasury Management Policy for 2015/16 be approved as set out in appendix H of the report
- 15)That the report be approved and adopted.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.35 pm

CHAIRMAN