



# Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 23 July 2020 (10.30 am – 4.33 pm)

## Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

## COUNCILLORS

Stuart Wallace (Chairman)  
Andy Sissons (Vice-Chairman)

Reg Adair  
Pauline Allan  
Chris Barnfather  
Joyce Bosnjak  
Ben Bradley  
Nicki Brooks  
Andrew Brown  
Richard Butler  
Steve Carr  
John Clarke  
Neil Clarke MBE  
John Cottee  
Jim Creamer  
Mrs Kay Cutts MBE  
Samantha Deakin  
Maureen Dobson  
Dr John Doddy  
Boyd Elliott  
Sybil Fielding  
Kate Foale  
Stephen Garner  
Glynn Gilfoyle  
Keith Girling  
Kevin Greaves  
John Handley  
Tony Harper  
Errol Henry JP  
Paul Henshaw  
Tom Hollis  
Vaughan Hopewell  
Richard Jackson  
Roger Jackson

Eric Kerry  
John Knight  
Bruce Laughton  
John Longdon  
Rachel Madden  
David Martin  
Diana Meale  
John Ogle  
Philip Owen  
Michael Payne  
John Peck JP  
Sheila Place  
Liz Plant  
Mike Pringle  
Francis Purdue-Horan  
Mike Quigley MBE  
Alan Rhodes  
Kevin Rostance  
Phil Rostance  
Mrs Sue Saddington  
Helen-Ann Smith  
Tracey Taylor  
Parry Tsimbirdis  
Steve Vickers  
Keith Walker  
Muriel Weisz  
Andy Wetton  
Gordon Wheeler  
Jonathan Wheeler  
Yvonne Woodhead  
Martin Wright  
Jason Zadrozny

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Anthony May	(Chief Executive)
Marjorie Toward	(Chief Executives)
Sara Allmond	(Chief Executives)
Adrian Smith	(Place)

Plus, additional officers were present to provide technical support to Members.

## **OPENING PRAYER**

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

## **1. MINUTES**

### **RESOLVED: 2020/008**

That the minutes of the previous meetings of the County Council held on 27 February and 11 June 2020 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

## **2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

## **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

## **4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS**

### **PRESENTATION AND AWARDS**

None

### **CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS SINCE THE LAST MEETING**

The Chairman updated members on the business he had carried out since the last meeting and provided an update on how he planned to carry out business during the current situation.

## **5. CONSTITUENCY ISSUES**

None

## **6a. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS**

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

- (1) Councillor Philip Owen regarding parking issues on Newdigate Street, Kimberley
- (2) Councillor Sybil Fielding regarding a memorial on Gateford Road, Worksop
- (3) Councillor Andrew Brown requesting removal of parking restrictions outside the Post Office and Spa shop in Gotham
- (4) Councillor Andrew Brown requesting a 20mph mandatory speed restriction on Lantern Lane, East Leake
- (5) Councillor Boyd Elliott requesting the resurfacing of Park Road East, Calverton
- (6) Councillor Richard Butler requesting cycle ways and tracks in and around Cotgrave
- (7) Councillor Maureen Dobson requesting a one way system near Coddington School
- (8) Councillor John Ogle requesting action on and around North Leverton Crossroads
- (9) Councillor Keith Girling requesting a 30 mph speed limit on Hawton Road, Newark
- (10) Councillor Nicki Brooks requesting the adoption of the upper part of Bridle Road, Burton Joyce and to carry out road repairs
- (11) Councillor Errol Henry JP requesting a residents parking scheme on part of Standhill Road, Carlton

### **RESOLVED: 2020/009**

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: 2020/010**

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

## **7. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Richard Butler introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2020/011 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE.

Following the debate, the motion was put to the meeting. The Chairman agreed to take the vote as a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 36 members voted '**For**' the motion:-

Reg Adair	John Knight
Chris Barnfather	Bruce Laughton
Ben Bradley	John Longdon
Andrew Brown	John Ogle
Richard Butler	Philip Owen
Neil Clarke MBE	Francis Purdue-Horan
John Cottee	Mike Quigley
Kay Cutts MBE	Kevin Rostance
Dr John Doddy	Phil Rostance
Boyd Elliott	Sue Saddington
Stephen Garner	Andy Sissons
Keith Girling	Tracey Taylor
John Handley	Steve Vickers
Tony Harper	Keith Walker
Vaughan Hopewell	Stuart Wallace
Richard Jackson	Gordon Wheeler
Roger Jackson	Jonathan Wheeler
Eric Kerry	Martin Wright

No members voted "**Against**" the motion.

The following 30 Members voted to '**Abstain**':-

Pauline Allan	Rachel Madden
Joyce Bosnjak	David Martin
Nicki Brooks	Diana Meale
Steve Carr	Michael Payne
John Clarke	John Peck
Jim Creamer	Sheila Place
Samantha Deakin	Liz Plant
Maureen Dobson	Mike Pringle
Sybil Fielding	Alan Rhodes
Kate Foale	Helen-Ann Smith
Glynn Gilfoyle	Parry Tsimbiridis
Kevin Greaves	Muriel Weisz
Errol Henry JP	Andy Wetton
Paul Henshaw	Yvonne Woodhead
Tom Hollis	Jason Zadrozny

The Chairman declared that the motion was carried and it was:-

**RESOLVED: 2020/011**

To appoint Councillor Tony Harper as the Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board until the annual meeting in 2021.

**8. MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS 2019/20**

Councillor Richard Jackson introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2020/012 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Roger Jackson.

Following the debate, the motion was put to the meeting. The Chairman agreed to take the vote as a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 60 members voted '**For**' the motion:-

Reg Adair	Eric Kerry
Pauline Allan	John Knight
Chris Barnfather	Bruce Laughton
Joyce Bosnjak	John Longdon
Ben Bradley	Diana Meale
Nicki Brooks	John Ogle
Andrew Brown	Philip Owen
Richard Butler	Michael Payne
Steve Carr	John Peck
John Clarke	Sheila Place
Neil Clarke MBE	Liz Plant
John Cottee	Mike Pringle
Jim Creamer	Francis Purdue-Horan
Kay Cutts MBE	Mike Quigley
Samantha Deakin	Alan Rhodes
Maureen Dobson	Kevin Rostance
Dr John Doddy	Phil Rostance
Boyd Elliott	Sue Saddington
Sybil Fielding	Andy Sissons
Kate Foale	Tracey Taylor
Stephen Garner	Parry Tsimbiridis
Glynn Gilfoyle	Steve Vickers
Keith Girling	Keith Walker
Kevin Greaves	Stuart Wallace
John Handley	Muriel Weisz
Tony Harper	Andy Wetton
Errol Henry JP	Gordon Wheeler
Paul Henshaw	Jonathan Wheeler
Vaughan Hopewell	Yvonne Woodhead
Richard Jackson	Martin Wright
Roger Jackson	

No members voted “**Against**” the motion.

The following 6 Members voted to ‘**Abstain**’:-

Samantha Deakin  
Tom Hollis  
Rachel Madden

David Martin  
Helen-Ann Smith  
Jason Zadrozny

The Chairman declared that the motion was carried and it was:-

**RESOLVED: 2020/012**

- 1) That the level of County Fund Balances as set out in section 6.2 and Appendix A of the report be approved.
- 2) That there were no further comments arising from the report

**9a. QUESTIONS TO NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM FIRE AUTHORITY**

None

**9b. QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**

Ten questions had been received as follows: -

Questions 1 and 2 were taken together

- 1) from Councillor Steve Carr concerning investigation of a member into an allegation (Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE replied)
- 2) from Councillor Alan Rhodes regarding investigation of a member into an allegation (Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE replied)
- 3) from Councillor Muriel Weisz concerning the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on BAME community (Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE replied)
- 4) from Councillor Mike Pringle about the Robin Hood Line (Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE replied)
- 5) from Councillor Joyce Bosnjak regarding deaths in care homes (Councillor Tony Harper replied)
- 6) from Councillor Keith Girling about the Nottinghamshire COVID-19 Community Fund (Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE replied)

Questions 7, 8 and 9 were taken together

- 7) from Councillor Steve Carr regarding the Emergency Active Travel Fund (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 8) from Councillor Andrew Brown concerning the Emergency Active Travel Fund (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 9) from Councillor Liz Plant regarding the Emergency Active Travel Fund (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 10) from Councillor Alan Rhodes about funding to cover Council's cost in relation to COVID-19 (Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE replied)

Council adjourned for lunch from 12.42pm to 1.15pm.

## **10. NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

### **Motion One**

A Motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Tom Hollis and seconded by Councillor Rachel Madden:

“Nottinghamshire County Council notes the paper ‘Clarifying and Strengthening Trustees’ Investment Duties’ published by the Department for Work and Pensions. The paper recommended giving pension fund trustees more confidence to divest from environmentally damaging fossil fuels and put their cash in green alternatives. Until now many pension trustees have been hamstrung by fiduciary duties that they feel requires them to seek the best returns irrespective of the threat of climate change.

This Council further notes that according to recent estimates – Nottinghamshire County Council’s Pension Fund’s total Fossil Fuel investment amounts to £327,312,727 or 7% of the total fund.

This Council calls for Nottinghamshire County Council’s Pension Fund to investigate divestment from direct ownership of equities and corporate bonds, as well as any comingled funds, of companies engaged in fossil fuel extraction and others that do not align with this Council’s moral objectives.

This Council notes that once money has been divested from fossil fuels it can be reinvested in more environmentally sustainable and socially beneficial assets such as renewable energy, energy efficient and socially beneficial housing to address fuel poverty, low carbon transport systems and investment in the transition to a zero-carbon local economy.”

Following the debate, the motion was put to the meeting. The Chairman agreed to take the vote as a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 32 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  
Tom Hollis  
Vaughan Hopewell

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

The following 34 members voted “**Against**” the motion.

Reg Adair  
Chris Barnfather  
Ben Bradley  
Andrew Brown  
Richard Butler  
Neil Clarke MBE  
John Cottee  
Kay Cutts MBE  
Dr John Doddy  
Boyd Elliott  
Stephen Garner  
Keith Girling  
John Handley  
Tony Harper  
Richard Jackson  
Roger Jackson  
Eric Kerry

John Knight  
Bruce Laughton  
John Longdon  
John Ogle  
Philip Owen  
Francis Purdue-Horan  
Mike Quigley  
Kevin Rostance  
Phil Rostance  
Sue Saddington  
Andy Sissons  
Tracey Taylor  
Steve Vickers  
Keith Walker  
Stuart Wallace  
Gordon Wheeler  
Jonathan Wheeler

No Members voted to ‘**Abstain**’.

The Chairman declared that the motion was lost.

### **Motion Two**

A Motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Alan Rhodes and seconded by Councillor Jim Creamer:



“This Council welcomes the Government’s commitment to the much needed A46 Newark by-pass in the recent budget.

However, this council is disappointed that the equally important and much delayed electrification of the Midland Mainline through Nottinghamshire continues to be ignored by the Government.

Therefore this Council resolves to write to the Secretary of State for Transport, the Rt. Hon Grant Shapps, to further emphasise the necessity for this project to go ahead and receive appropriate funding. “

An amendment to the Motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE and seconded by Councillor Reg Adair:

“This Council welcomes the Government’s commitment to the much needed A46 Newark by-pass in the recent budget.

~~However, t~~ This council **also urges the Government to prioritise** ~~is disappointed that~~ the equally important and much delayed electrification of the Midland Mainline through Nottinghamshire ~~continues to be ignored by the Government~~ **as highlighted in the Midlands Engine Rail plan published last year by Midlands Connect.**

~~Therefore t~~ This Council resolves to write to the Secretary of State for Transport, the Rt. Hon Grant Shapps **MP, in support of the work being conducted by the Midlands Engine and Midlands Connect and** to further emphasise the necessity for this project to go ahead and receive appropriate funding. “

The amendment was accepted by the mover of the motion and therefore the motion was altered.

Following the debate, the motion was put to the meeting. The Chairman agreed to take the vote as a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 66 members voted ‘**For**’ the motion:-

Reg Adair  
Pauline Allan  
Chris Barnfather  
Joyce Bosnjak  
Ben Bradley  
Nicki Brooks  
Andrew Brown  
Steve Carr  
John Clarke  
Neil Clarke MBE  
John Cottee  
Jim Creamer  
Kay Cutts MBE  
Samantha Deakin  
Maureen Dobson  
Dr John Doddy

Boyd Elliott  
Sybil Fielding  
Kate Foale  
Stephen Garner  
Glynn Gilfoyle  
Keith Girling  
Kevin Greaves  
John Handley  
Tony Harper  
Errol Henry JP  
John Knight  
Bruce Laughton  
John Longdon  
Rachel Madden  
David Martin  
Diana Meale

John Ogle  
Philip Owen  
Michael Payne  
John Peck  
Sheila Place  
Liz Plant  
Mike Pringle  
Francis Purdue-Horan  
Mike Quigley  
Alan Rhodes  
Kevin Rostance  
Phil Rostance  
Sue Saddington  
Andy Sissons

Helen-Ann Smith  
Tracey Taylor  
Parry Tsimbiridis  
Steve Vickers  
Keith Walker  
Stuart Wallace  
Muriel Weisz  
Andy Wetton  
Gordon Wheeler  
Jonathan Wheeler  
Yvonne Woodhead  
Martin Wright  
Jason Zadrozny

No Members voted '**Against**' the motion or voted to '**Abstain**'.

The Chairman declared that the motion was carried and it was:-

**RESOLVED: 2020/013**

This Council welcomes the Government's commitment to the much needed A46 Newark by-pass in the recent budget.

This council also urges the Government to prioritise the equally important and much delayed electrification of the Midland Mainline through Nottinghamshire as highlighted in the Midlands Engine Rail plan published last year by Midlands Connect.

This Council resolves to write to the Secretary of State for Transport, the Rt. Hon Grant Shapps MP, in support of the work being conducted by the Midlands Engine and Midlands Connect and to further emphasise the necessity for this project to go ahead and receive appropriate funding. “

**Motion Three**

A Motion as set out below was moved by Councillor David Martin and seconded by Councillor Helen-Ann Smith:

“This Council believes greater investment in repairing Nottinghamshire's roads and pavements is urgently needed and that long term, more sustainable solutions must also be found including earlier detection, intervention and better, more sustainable repair materials and technologies.

This Council notes that Nottinghamshire has the highest number of potholes across the whole of the country - with more than 250,000 reported in the space of two years.

This Council further notes that between January 2017 and June 2019, Nottinghamshire County Council received 253,920 reports of potholes. This is 100,000 more than any other County in the Country.

This Council also believes that the use of 'Viafix' has been an abject failure. Whilst being used to carry out emergency road repairs – the product is clearly failing with many pot-holes left in an even worse condition.

This Council further notes the impact that the Coronavirus Lockdown has had on the Highways Capital and Revenue Programme.

This Council therefore calls for:

- (1) An urgent investigation into the use of 'Viafix' and its effectiveness across Nottinghamshire.
- (2) A report to come before the Communities and Place Review and Development Committee reviewing this Council's performance. Further to this, we call for a long-term plan to deal effectively with resident's complaints.
- (3) A review into whether the 2020/21 Highways Capital and Revenue Programme is equitable for each Borough and District in Nottinghamshire.
- (4) The Communities and Place Committee to receive a report into the deliverability of the 2020/2021 Highways Capital and Revenue Programme and the failure of this Council to complete the 2019/2020 programme."

Following the debate, the motion was put to the meeting. The Chairman agreed to take the vote as a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 28 members voted '**For**' the motion:-

Pauline Allan  
Joyce Bosnjak  
Nicki Brooks  
John Clarke  
Jim Creamer  
Samantha Deakin  
Sybil Fielding  
Kate Foale  
Glynn Gilfoyle  
Kevin Greaves  
Errol Henry JP  
Paul Henshaw  
Tom Hollis  
Rachel Madden

David Martin  
Diana Meale  
Michael Payne  
John Peck  
Sheila Place  
Liz Plant  
Mike Pringle  
Alan Rhodes  
Helen-Ann Smith  
Parry Tsimbiridis  
Muriel Weisz  
Andy Wetton  
Yvonne Woodhead  
Jason Zadrozny

The following 37 members voted "**Against**" the motion.

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

Kay Cutts MBE  
Maureen Dobson  
Dr John Doddy  
Boyd Elliott  
Stephen Garner  
Keith Girling  
John Handley

Tony Harper  
Vaughan Hopewell  
Richard Jackson  
Roger Jackson  
Eric Kerry  
John Knight  
Bruce Laughton  
John Longdon  
John Ogle  
Philip Owen  
Francis Purdue-Horan  
Mike Quigley

Kevin Rostance  
Phil Rostance  
Sue Saddington  
Andy Sissons  
Tracey Taylor  
Steve Vickers  
Keith Walker  
Stuart Wallace  
Gordon Wheeler  
Jonathan Wheeler  
Martin Wright

Councillor Steve Carr voted to '**Abstain**'.

The Chairman declared that the motion was lost.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 4.33 pm.

**CHAIRMAN**