Nottinghamshire County Council

minutes

Meeting	Transport and Environment Committee
Date	5 January 2022 (commencing at 10:30 am)

Membership
Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Neil Clarke MBE (Chairman)
Mike Adams (Vice-Chairman)
John Ogle (Vice-Chairman)

Matt Barney	Tom Hollis
Glynn Gilfoyle	Sam Smith
Penny Gowland	Nigel Turner
vacancy	John Wilmott

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

None.

OTHER COUNTY COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE

Kate Foale.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mick Allen	-	Place Department
Doug Coutts	-	Via East Midlands Ltd
Joelle Davies	-	Place Department
Sally Gill	-	Place Department
Derek Higton	-	Place Department
Adrian Smith	-	Place Department
Gary Wood	-	Place Department
Noel McMenamin	-	Chief Executive's Department

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD ON 17 NOVEMBER 2021

The minutes of the last meeting held on 17 November 2021, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

The Committee paid tribute to Committee member Councillor Maureen Dobson, who had sadly passed away since the Committee's previous meeting, commending her strong contribution and commitment to the work of the Committee, and to that of the wider Council.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

4. TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT PERFORMANCE REPORT QUARTER 2 PLACE CORE DATA SET

During debate, it was confirmed that key performance indicators would be revised to reflect the priorities in the new Council Plan from April 2022.

RESOLVED 2022/01

That the Committee considered there to be no additional actions required in relation to the performance information on the Council's services for Transport and Environment for the period 2 July to 30 September 2021.

5. CORPORATE ENVIRONMENT STRATEGY AND GREENHOUSE EMISSIONS REPORT

RESOLVED 2022/02

That:

1) The progress made to date on the Corporate Environment Strategy and Action Plan be acknowledged;

2) The Greenhouse Gas report 2019-2020 baseline year to measure future progress towards the Council's 2030 carbon neutral target be agreed;

3) The 2021-2022 Green Investment Fund allocation be endorsed, and that the development of a phase two Green Investment Fund proposal be agreed for submission to the appropriate Committee.

6. STAFFING PROPOSALS TO SUPPORT DELIVERY OF NET ZERO 2030

RESOLVED 2022/03

That the staffing structure highlighted in the report, and the creation of the additional posts indicated at a cost of circa £230k per annum for 2022-2023 onwards in order to deliver on the Council's ambitions to be carbon neutral in all its activities by 2030 be approved, subject to the allocation of appropriate monies in the 2022-2023 budget.

7. RECYCLING CENTRE (RC) STRATEGIC REVIEW

RESOLVED 2022/04

That the undertaking of a strategic review of current recycling centre provision within Nottinghamshire be approved, at an estimated cost of £50k, to be met from existing service budgets.

8. JOINT WASTE LOCAL PLAN

RESOLVED 2022/05

That:

1) the progress on the Joint Waste Local Plan be noted;

2) the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Draft Waste Plan be approved for publication and consultation;

3) the Corporate Director Place, in consultation with the Chairman of the Transport and Environment Committee, be authorised to make any minor changes to the Plan considered necessary prior to the start of the consultation.

9. ACTIVE TRAVEL FUND TRANCHE 2 INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMME

During debate, the Chairman agreed to write to the Department of Transport, requesting an extension to the funding timescales identified in the report.

RESOLVED 2022/06

That the delivery of the Dovecote Lane, Beeston Experimental road closure be approved.

10. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (DOVECOTE LANE AREA, BEESTON) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING AND PARKING PLACES) TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2021 (5303)

RESOLVED 2022/07

That the Nottinghamshire County council (Dovecote Lane Area, Beeston) (Prohibition of Waiting and parking spaces) Traffic Regulation Order 2021 (5303) be made as advertised and objectors informed accordingly.

11. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CONCESSIONARY TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2022-2023

During debate, an amendment to the motion was moved by Councillor John Wilmott and seconded by Councillor Tom Hollis:

'That the Transport and Environment Committee agree to a feasibility study into introducing free off-peak travel for Armed Forces veterans who live in Nottinghamshire'.

The Chairman accepted the amendment without debate and it was:

RESOLVED 2022/08

That:

1) The Nottinghamshire Concessionary Travel Scheme and proposed funding for 2022-2023 and publication of the final scheme notice on 3 March 2022 be approved, subject to Full Council budget approval;

2) Delegated authority be granted for the Service Director for Place and Communities to agree the final reimbursement arrangements and associated financial commitments from 1 April 2022, in conjunction with the Head of Highways and Transport and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee;

3) A public consultation on the Council's future approach to the tram concession be approved, with a report submitted to a future meeting of the Committee;

4) The Council's additional discretionary elements of the Scheme from April 2022, which are estimated to cost £1.28 million, be approved, pending the outcome of the consultation on the tram concession; and

5) A feasibility study into introducing free off-peak travel for Armed Forces veterans who live in Nottinghamshire be agreed.

12. WORK PROGRAMME

During debate, an undertaking was given to schedule an item on Highways Out of Hours services. A request was also made for an item on School Travel Zones.

RESOLVED 2022/09

That the Work programme be approved.

The meeting concluded at 1.10 pm.

Chairman