



Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 25 March 2021 (10.30 am – 8.23 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

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

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

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

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| Melanie Brooks | (Adult Social Care and Health) |
| Jonathan Gribbin | (Adult Social Care and Health) |
| Anthony May | (Chief Executive) |
| Marjorie Toward | (Chief Executives) |
| Nigel Stevenson | (Chief Executives) |
| Sara Allmond | (Chief Executives) |
| Carl Bilbey | (Chief Executives) |
| Angie Dilley | (Chief Executives) |
| Anna O'Daly-Kardasinska | (Chief Executives) |
| David Hennigan | (Chief Executives) |
| James Silverward | (Chief Executives) |
| Colin Pettigrew | (Children and Families) |
| 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: 2021/003

That the minutes of the previous meeting of the County Council held on 25 February 2021 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:-

- Councillor Vaughan Hopewell (other reasons)
- Councillor Martin Wright (other reasons)

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Steve Carr declared a private interest in agenda item 8 – Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan – Receipt of Inspector's Report and Adoption as he is a member of the Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust.

4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

The Chairman announced the following awards:

High Sheriff Award

The former High Sheriff Dame Elizabeth Fradd attended the meeting and presented the High Sheriff Award to all of the staff at the Council for their hard work and dedication during the pandemic. The Chairman received the award on behalf of the Council and put on record his thanks on behalf of the Chamber to all staff.

PROCEDURAL MOTION TO SUSPEND FULL COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 9

A procedural motion was moved by Councillor Stuart Wallace and seconded by Councillor Andy Sissons in terms of resolution 2021/004 below.

The motion was put to the meeting and after a roll call vote the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2021/004

That Procedure Rule 9, that the meeting must finish at 5.30pm, be suspended for this meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

The Chairman updated members on the business he and the Vice-Chairman had carried out since the last meeting, including formally opening Orchard School and launching a charity event.

The Chairman and Councillors Butler, Rhodes, Zadrozny, Foale, Dobson, Saddington, Laughton and Carr spoke to acknowledge the hard work of the retiring members, Councillors Bosnjak, Cutts, Tsimbiridis and Walker spoke to thank members for their kind words and support.

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 Sybil Fielding – regarding early tears provision in Shireoaks

6a. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

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

- (1) Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE, request for traffic calming measures on Ambleside, Gamston
- (2) Councillor Gordon Wheeler, request to make Wilford Field a Local Nature Reserve
- (3) Councillor Samantha Deakin, petition to stop the closure of the residential unit at Fountaindale SEN School.
- (4) Councillor Jonathan Wheeler, request for traffic calming measures on Devonshire Drive, West Bridgford
- (5) Councillor Jonathan Wheeler, request for a pedestrian crossing near Edwalton School
- (6) Councillor Michael Payne, request for resurfacing of Surgeys Lane, Arnold
- (7) Councillor Michael Payne, request for resurfacing of Lodge Farm Lane, Redhill

RESOLVED: 2021/005

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: 2021/006

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

7. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2020/21

Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2021/007 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Reg Adair.

Following a debate the motion was put to the meeting and following a roll call vote the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2021/007

That the Pay Policy Statement, as set out in the appendix to the report, be approved for publication on the Council's website by 1st April 2021.

8. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MINERALS LOCAL PLAN – RECEIPT OF INSPECTOR'S REPORT AND ADOPTION

Councillor John Cottee introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2021/008 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Phil Rostance.

Following a debate the motion was put to the meeting and following a roll call vote the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2021/008

- 1) That the Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan and the Policies Map contained within it be adopted. (Appendix B of the report)
- 2) That delegated authority be given to the Corporate Director, Place, in consultation with the chair of Communities and Place Committee to make any final minor changes to correct typographical and any other errors and to carry out appropriate graphic design of the document.
- 3) That the following statements be published on the Councils website:
 - a) An Adoption Statement prepared in accordance with Regulation 26 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012;
 - b) A Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Post Adoption Statement (PAS), prepared in accordance with Regulation 16 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004.

to accord with Regulation 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

The Council adjourned from 12.35pm to 1.36pm for lunch.

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

None

9b. QUESTIONS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Seven questions had been received as follows: -

- 1) from Councillor John Ogle regarding highways statistics (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 2) from Councillor Muriel Weisz regarding addressing inequalities throughout the county (Councillor Richard Jackson replied)
- 3) from Councillor Alan Rhodes about resident parking permit charges (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 4) from Councillor Mike Pringle concerning budget concerns and service delivery (Councillor Richard Jackson replied)
- 5) from Councillor Jason Zadrozny regarding highways repairs and personal injury complaints (Councillor John Cottee replied)
- 6) from Councillor Liz Plant regarding safety of women (Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE replied)
- 7) from Councillor Eric Kerry concerning the Enterprise Zone Link road (Councillor John Cottee replied)

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

10. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

BUSINESS CARRIED OVER FROM 17 DECEMBER 2020 MEETING

Motion six carried over from the meeting on 17 December 2020 was withdrawn by the mover and seconder of the motion.

Motion One

A motion was moved by Councillor Dr John Doddy and seconded by Councillor Kevin Rostance in terms of the resolution 2021/009 below.

Following the debate, the motion was put to the meeting. The requisite number of Members requested a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 35 members voted '**For**' the motion:-

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

Mrs 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
David Martin
John Ogle
Philip Owen
Francis Purdue-Horan
Mike Quigley MBE

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

The following 29 Members voted '**Against**' 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

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

There were no abstentions.

The Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2021/009

This Council welcomes the publication of the Government White Paper, '*Integration and innovation: working together to improve health and social care for all*', and authorises the Council Leader to write to the Secretary of State for Health & Social Care stating that this authority:-

- supports the proposal to remove the '*barriers*' and '*transactional bureaucracy*' that prevent the current health system working with councils to join up planning, commissioning and service delivery, including social care for all ages;
- supports the Government's vision of Integrated Care System (ICS) NHS and local government social care services '*forming dynamic partnerships to address*

some of society's most complex health problems', including a stronger platform to tackle the health inequalities we see across the County;

- welcomes the proposal that Health & Wellbeing Boards will remain in place and will be expected to use their experience as 'place-based' planners to bring local partners together;

believes that the proposals set out in the White Paper can deliver a better integrated planning and commissioning system in the NHS, able to work with the County Council in a more responsive way, building on what has already been achieved 'at blistering pace' during the Coronavirus pandemic.

Motion Two

A Motion as set out below was moved by Councillor John Peck and seconded by Councillor Liz Plant:

"This Council is concerned about the rising levels of child poverty across Nottinghamshire. This council notes that the majority of these children have working parents who are struggling to make ends meet, as highlighted in the excellent campaign by Marcus Rashford. This council believes that no child should go to bed hungry.

This Council agrees to task the Children and Young Peoples committee to review the provision of free school meals to those entitled throughout the year, to include the school holidays on an ongoing basis for the foreseeable future."

An amendment to the motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Philip Owen and seconded by Councillor Tracey Taylor:-

"This Council is concerned about **any case** ~~the rising levels~~ of child poverty across Nottinghamshire, **including where**. ~~This council notes that the majority of these children have working parents who are struggling to make ends meet,~~ as highlighted in the excellent campaign by Marcus Rashford. This **C**council believes that no child should go to bed hungry.

This Council **welcomes the funding provided by the authority and the Government for free school meals during the Autumn, Christmas and forthcoming Easter holidays, and** agrees to task the Children and Young People's committee to review **current trends of child poverty in Nottinghamshire and conduct a feasibility study into** the provision of free school meals to those entitled throughout the year, to include the school holidays on an ongoing basis for the foreseeable future."

The Council adjourned from 3.10pm to 3.24pm to allow the amendment to be considered. The amendment was not accepted by the mover of the amendment.

Following a debate the amendment was put to the meeting and after a roll call vote the Chairman declared the amendment was carried.

The motion as amended was put to the meeting and after a roll call vote the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2021/010

This Council is concerned about any case of child poverty across Nottinghamshire, including where these children have working parents as highlighted in the excellent campaign by Marcus Rashford. This Council believes that no child should go to bed hungry.

This Council welcomes the funding provided by the authority and the Government for free school meals during the Autumn, Christmas and forthcoming Easter holidays, and agrees to task the Children and Young People's committee to review current trends of child poverty in Nottinghamshire and conduct a feasibility study into the provision of free school meals to those entitled throughout the year, to include the school holidays on an ongoing basis for the foreseeable future.

Motion Three

A Motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Jason Zadrozny and seconded by Councillor David Martin:

“On the roads of England - we drive on the left. In places like the Ashfield District, Broxtowe Borough and Mansfield District people drive on what's left of the road.

This Council notes, with dismay the state of our broken roads and pavements across Nottinghamshire.

This Council believes that funding should be allocated by road usage and not the length of roads.

We therefore call for whoever forms the next administration of Nottinghamshire County Council to carry out a full review of the processes involved in highway's maintenance and the process for allocating funding at the earliest opportunity.”

Following a debate, the motion was put to the meeting and after a roll call vote the Chairman declared it was lost.

Motion Four

A motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Alan Rhodes and seconded by Councillor Kevin Greaves:

“This Council notes that despite more than £100m having been spent since April 2017 on roads maintenance and renewals across this County, Nottinghamshire's roads are ranked as the worst in the country, as demonstrated in 2019, when the highest number of potholes across the UK was recorded.

This council therefore commits to reviewing the practises and procedures which are currently in place to improve the quality of maintenance and pothole repairs and provide our residents with a guarantee of better value for money.”

Following a debate, the motion was put to the meeting and after a roll call vote the Chairman declared it was lost.

Motion Five

A Motion as set out below was moved by Councillor Mike Pringle and seconded by Councillor Errol Henry JP:

“This council strives to do its utmost to ensure safe outdoor environments for children, young people, families, elderly and all our residents.

To this end, this council agrees to task the Communities and Place committee with a review which will seek to extend the 20mph advisory speed limit countywide to any road situated outside a play park, leisure centre or youth centre.”

An amendment to the motion as set out below was moved by Councillor John Cottee and seconded by Councillor Phil Rostance:

“This council strives to do its utmost to ensure safe outdoor environments for children, young people, families, elderly and all our residents.

To this end, this council agrees to task the Communities and Place committee with **examining the feasibility of** ~~a review which will seek to extending~~ the 20mph advisory speed limit **outside schools** countywide to any road situated outside a play park, leisure centre or youth centre, **and other new measures that could help improve safety.**”

The Council adjourned from 6.38pm to 6.48pm to allow the amendment to be considered. The amendment was accepted by the mover of the motion and the motion was altered.

Following a debate, the altered motion was put to the meeting and after a roll call vote the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2021/011

This council strives to do its utmost to ensure safe outdoor environments for children, young people, families, elderly and all our residents.

To this end, this council agrees to task the Communities and Place committee with examining the feasibility of extending the 20mph advisory speed limit outside schools countywide to any road situated outside a play park, leisure centre or youth centre, and other new measures that could help improve safety.

Motion Six

A motion was moved by Councillor John Knight and seconded by Councillor Reg Adair and Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE in terms of the resolution 2021/012 below.

Following a debate, the motion was put to the meeting. The Members gave a one minute round applause in thanks for the work of the Chief Executive, Corporate Leadership Team and all of the Council's staff during the pandemic, the Chairman declared it was carried and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2021/012

This Council thanks our Chief Executive, Corporate Leadership Team and all of our employees for their outstanding response to the COVID-19 pandemic during the past year, often going above and beyond the call of duty to protect and support Nottinghamshire residents affected by Coronavirus.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.23 pm.

CHAIRMAN

