

REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

A COUNTY DAY FOR NOTTINGHAMSHIRE (NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DAY)

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval to adopt 25 August as Nottinghamshire Day.

Information

2. Following discussions with Sir John Peace, Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire, Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP, Secretary of State for the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) has proposed that Nottinghamshire adopts 25 August as our County Day.
3. County Days are an opportunity to celebrate the identity, heritage, culture and local traditions of Historic Counties and are celebrated by a number of other counties. The celebration of our Historic County of Nottinghamshire, in this way, would support local communities to understand the history and traditions of the places they live, work and enjoy their leisure time. In addition, the adoption of a County Day would be an opportunity to promote all that the county has to offer and could deliver economic and tourism benefits.
4. Subject to local support, the first Nottinghamshire Day will be on 25 August 2021. To celebrate the day, a flag raising ceremony will take place at County Hall, with the Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire and Elected Members in attendance. In addition to the county flag, it is proposed to fly the union flag, and for the county and union flag to be flown permanently, thereafter. This will complement the approach that Government will take, in flying the flag of Nottinghamshire at MHCLG and Parliament. A media campaign is also planned to promote Nottinghamshire Day and everything the county has to offer.
5. In future years, with the support of our Economic Development and Asset Management Committee, the Council plans to work with District and Borough Councils, local businesses and attractions to promote Nottinghamshire Day and encourage people to explore our towns and countryside.

Other Options Considered

6. None

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

7. The adoption of a County Day for Nottinghamshire requires the support of the County Council. Other Councils across Nottinghamshire have indicated their support.

Statutory and Policy Implications

8. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

9. There are no financial implications to adopting a County Day and no associated investment is proposed at this stage. Approval of any future investment proposals linked to Nottinghamshire Day will be sought from the appropriate committee.

Public Sector Equality Duty implications

10. The promotion of the Nottinghamshire Day would encourage people from across Nottinghamshire's diverse communities to celebrate the history and heritage of the County.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) Approve the adoption of 25 August as Nottinghamshire Day and authorise the Leader to write, on behalf of the Council to the Secretary of State and Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire to confirm the Council's support.

Councillor Ben Bradley MP
Leader of the County Council

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Constitutional Comments (CEH 29.06.2021)

11. Full Council can consider the report and recommendation.

Financial Comments (SES 29/06/2021)

12. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- [Celebrating the historic counties of England - Government Guidance](#)

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All