



Nottinghamshire County Council

Meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Thursday, 11 June 2020 (10.30 am – 2.17 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Kevin Rostance (Chairman)
Stuart Wallace (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
Phil Rostance
Mrs Sue Saddington
Andy Sissons
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 AND MINUTE SILENCE

Upon the Council convening, prayers were led by the Chairman's Chaplain and included a minute silence held in memory of the Nottinghamshire residents who had lost their lives due to COVID 19 and in memory of George Floyd and all those who had lost their lives due to racism.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

The Chairman made a statement on behalf of the Council in response to the death of George Floyd and Black Lives Matter.

OUTGOING CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS TO THE COUNCIL

Councillor Kevin Rostance, outgoing Chairman of the County Council, made an address, during which he referred to the highlights of his year in office, including numerous royal visits, and visits to schools, libraries and care homes. The current events have cut short his charity events for Motor Neurone Nottingham and it was hoped that some could be rearranged to a later date. Funds were still coming in and the total raised would be announced at a later date. He also gave his thanks to the staff in every department for their hard work, particularly in the current situation.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Councillor Bruce Laughton and seconded by Councillor Tony Harper and:-

RESOLVED: 2020/003

That Councillor Stuart Wallace be elected Chairman of Nottinghamshire County Council, until the Annual Meeting 2021.

Arising from the above resolution, Councillor Stuart Wallace made the prescribed Declaration of Acceptance of Office, was invested with the Chairman's Chain of Office and assumed the chair.

INCOMING CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS TO THE COUNCIL

Councillor Stuart Wallace addressed the Council, thanking members for the opportunity to perform the civic role for the County Council. He indicated that his chosen charity was My Sight Nottinghamshire

RETIRING CHAIRMAN VOTE OF THANKS

At the invitation of the newly elected Chairman, Councillor Chris Barnfather paid tribute to Councillor Kevin Rostance's contribution to Nottinghamshire Civic life, and moved a motion thanking him for his work as Chairman.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Tracey Taylor who articulated Member's appreciation and congratulations for his year of office.

Councillors Reg Adair, Alan Rhodes, Jason Zadrozny, Maureen Dobson, Helen-Ann Smith, Rachel Madden, Steve Carr, Stephen Garner and Phil Rostance also spoke in thanks of the work undertaken by Councillor Kevin Rostance as Chairman of the County Council for the municipal year 2019/20.

RESOLVED: 2020/004

That the County Council's thanks for Councillor Kevin Rostance's work as its Chairman during 2019-20 be recorded.

PAST CHAIRMAN'S BADGE OF OFFICE

Further to the above resolution, Councillor Kevin Rostance received his Past Chairman's Badge of Office.

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

The motion to appoint Councillor Andy Sissons as Vice-Chairman was moved by Councillor Stephen Garner and seconded by Councillor Kevin Rostance.

An additional nomination to appoint Councillor Steve Carr as Vice-Chairman was moved by Councillor Rachel Madden and seconded by Councillor Helen-Ann Smith.

Following a ballot vote, with members voting for the candidate they wished to be appointed to the role, the Chairman declared that Councillor Andy Sissons had received the most votes and it was:-

RESOLVED: 2020/005

That Councillor Andy Sissons be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Nottinghamshire County Council until the Annual Meeting 2021.

Arising from the above Resolution, Councillor Andy Sissons made the prescribed Declaration of Acceptance of Office, was invested with the Vice-Chairman's chain and made a short address to the Council, thanking in them for the honour of being appointed to the role.

3. RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF GROUPS AND GENERAL DIPENSATION FOR NON-ATTENDANCE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2020/006 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Richard Butler.

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 31 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
Maureen Dobson	Phil Rostance
Dr John Doddy	Sue Saddington
Boyd Elliott	Andy Sissons
Stephen Garner	Tracey Taylor
Keith Girling	Steve Vickers
John Handley	Keith Walker
Tony Harper	Stuart Wallace
Vaughan Hopewell	Gordon Wheeler
Richard Jackson	Jonathan Wheeler
Roger Jackson	Martin Wright
Eric Kerry	

Councillor Steve Carr voted '**Against**' the motion.

The following 28 Members '**Abstained**' from the motion:-

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

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

RESOLVED: 2020/006

1) That the membership of the political groups be noted.

- 2) That the Officers of the Groups be noted.
- 3) That the Council approves that a dispensation be granted to any County Councillor who is or will be unable to attend any meeting of the authority for a period of 6 months due to:
 - a) cancellation of meetings and/or
 - b) reduced attendance at meetings at the request of political groups and/or
 - c) shielding, self-isolation or hospitalisation and/or
 - d) lack of or technical difficulties with appropriate computer or telephony facilities

relating to and during the subsistence of the COVID19 Coronavirus emergency and that all members so affected shall continue in their role as County Councillor for their areas, despite their non-attendance for such reasons.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

6. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES

Councillor Reg Adair introduced the report and moved a motion in terms of resolution 2020/007 below.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE.

During the debate Councillor Steve Carr moved an amendment which was seconded by Councillor David Martin.

The meeting was adjourned from 1.17pm to 1.49pm to enable the amendment to be submitted in writing and checked for validity.

Councillor Keith Walker did not return to the meeting after the adjournment.

The amendment was ruled as invalid by the Monitoring Officer under paragraph 76b of the Procedure Rules for Meetings of the Full Council.

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
Kay Cutts MBE
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
Stuart Wallace
Gordon Wheeler
Jonathan Wheeler
Martin Wright

The following 6 Members voted '**Against**' the motion:-

Samantha Deakin
Tom Hollis
Rachel Madden

David Martin
Helen-Ann Smith
Jason Zadrozny

The following 24 Members '**Abstained**' from the motion:-

Pauline Allan
Joyce Bosnjak
Nicki Brooks
Steve Carr
John Clarke
Jim Creamer
Maureen Dobson
Sybil Fielding
Kate Foale
Glynn Gilfoyle
Kevin Greaves
Errol Henry JP

Paul Henshaw
Diana Meale
Michael Payne
John Peck
Sheila Place
Liz Plant
Mike Pringle
Alan Rhodes
Parry Tsimbiridis
Muriel Weisz
Andy Wetton
Yvonne Woodhead

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

RESOLVED: 2020/007

- 1) That the a COVID 19 Resilience, Recovery and Renewal Committee be established with the terms of reference set out in Appendix C of the report and the Special Responsibility Allowance referred to in Paragraph 20 of the report be approved and that the Council's Constitution to be amended accordingly.
- 2) That the Council confirm the establishment of the Committees and Sub-Committees of the Council and the allocation of seats as set out in Appendix A of

the report. The Committees and Sub-Committees to be established with their existing terms of reference as set out in the Council's Constitution.

- 3) That the Council confirm the membership and allocation of seats and its continued participation of the Joint Committees set out in Appendix A of the report and confirm the establishment or continued participation as applicable in the other committees, joint committees and boards, and allocation of seats, as set out in Appendix B of the report.
- 4) That the Council make the appointments of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen set out in Paragraph 10 of the report and agrees the arrangements for appointing the Chairman of the Committees set out in Paragraph 11 until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2021.
- 5) That the other representatives on the committees / sub-committees set out in Paragraph 12 of the report be agreed.
- 6) That the Leader of the Council be an ex-officio member of all committees and sub-committees except Health Scrutiny for Nottinghamshire Committee, Mental Health Guardianship Panel, Planning and Licensing Committee and Joint Committees.
- 7) That the appointment of members of the political Groups of the Council to committees, sub-committees, joint committees and boards be undertaken by the Team Manager, Democratic Services on behalf of the Chief Executive (the Proper Officer) in order to give effect to the wishes of the political Groups of the Council.
- 8) That the Team Manager, Democratic Services be authorised to act on behalf of the Chief Executive (Proper Officer) to appoint people as co-optees to committees when required.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 2.17 pm.

CHAIRMAN