

# Council Wednesday 22 November 2023

The Council House, Corporation Street, Derby, DE1 2FS at 6:00pm\*

\*This meeting will commence no earlier than 6pm and will immediately follow the conclusion of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for 5pm.

**NOTE FOR THE PUBLIC:** Members of the public are advised to watch proceedings via the Derby City Council <u>YouTube channel</u>. Seating is available in the Council Chamber for those wishing to attend in person and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Members:
The Mayor, Councillor Alan Graves and Councillors Amin, Ashby, Atwal, Bolton, Bonser, Care, Chambers, Dhindsa, Evans, Eyre, Fowke, Hassall, Hezelgrave, A Holmes, M Holmes, Hudson, C Ingall, P Ingall, Kaur, J Khan, S Khan, Kozlowski, Kus, Lakin, Lindsey, Lonsdale, Martin, Morgan-McGeehan, Mulhall, Nawaz, Onuoha, Pandey, Pattison, Pearce, Peatfield, Potter, Poulter, Prosser, Rawson, Repton, Roulstone, Sandhu, Shanker, Smale, Swan, Trewhella, Whitby, Wilson, C Wright and J Wright.

# Agenda

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Declarations of Interest
- 3. Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 20 September 2023
- Attached

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- 4. Announcements from the Mayor
- 5. Statements from members of the Council Cabinet
- 6. Questions from the Public

	Questioner	Respondent	Summary
Α	Kelechi Chioba	Councillor Martin	Care charges for disabled people
В	Derek Gould	Councillor Dhindsa	Waste disposal
С	Simon Bacon	Councillor Swan	Maintenance of highways and pavements
D	Ruth Jackson	Councillor Hezelgrave	Child poverty and hunger
Е	Eve Sacker	Councillor Hezelgrave	Respect between communities
F	Vanessa Boon	Councillor Martin	Funeral Poverty
G	Marios Doucas	Councillor Hezelgrave	Access to food banks
н	Emma Jones (i) Vanessa Boon (ii)	Councillor Shanker	Ethical debt policy
Ι	Mair Bain	Councillor Swan	Great British insulation scheme
J	Pip Nayer	Councillor Martin	Access to NHS dentistry

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κ	Kelechi Chioba	Councillor	Race and disability
		Hezelgrave	discrimination
L	Derek Gould	Councillor Martin	Air quality monitoring
М	Simon Bacon	Councillor Dhindsa	Contamination from bins on
			streets
Ν	Emma Jones	Councillor Hezelgrave	Hate crime
0	Mair Bain	Councillor Swan	Flooding and the climate
			emergency

- 7. Questions relating to Derbyshire Fire Authority or Derby Homes
- 8. Questions from non-Council Cabinet members
- 9. Minute extract 22/23 of the Children, Young People and Skills Scrutiny Attached Review Board (Appointment of Co-Opted Members)

### 10. Notice of motion: Respect for public service workers

Moved by Councillor Bolton, seconded by Councillor Ashby:

Council deplores all unprovoked attacks, both verbal and physical, towards our public service workers whilst carrying out their duties. One of the consequences is it leaves staff frightened to go to work each day.

As an example, most recently assaults against front-line retail workers across our Central Co-op Stores, have increased by 25% when compared to the same period last year. Also, threats, intimidation and verbal abuse have increased by 40%, when compared to last year. Disappointingly the Police are not attending to investigate these assaults or other crimes committed.

Therefore, Council calls upon our Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner to explore what action can be implemented to support our front-line workers. Furthermore, we politely request the Police be proactive in dealing with these crimes.

#### 11. Notice of motion: Improving safety and cutting carbon on our roads

Moved by Councillor Lonsdale, seconded by Councillor Care:

Council notes that:

- The latest Derby and Derbyshire Road Casualty Report (2022) recorded 625 people injured on Derby's roads, including 84 who were seriously injured and 2 killed. This is much the same as for several years, excluding 2020 (Covid) when traffic was lighter and far fewer people were injured. [2022 Casualty Report MASTER document.xlsx (derbyshire.gov.uk)]
- Over half of all casualties were car users, including more than a quarter of those killed or seriously injured. Nearly a third of

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casualties were pedestrians or cyclists; the active modes of transport which the Council is seeking to encourage.

- The likelihood of severe injury or death in a collision increases exponentially as speed increases; a crash at 30mph has twice as much energy and destructive potential as a crash at 20mph.
- As well as the serious impacts injuries have on individuals and families, there is also a real cost to society with insurance payouts, travel disruptions and pressure on the NHS.

## Council also notes that:

- Current expectations are that 2023 is likely to be the hottest year on record, caused by increasing levels of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases in our atmosphere.
- Derby has set a target of achieving 'net zero' emissions by 2035, but the sooner we cut our emissions the less Derby will contribute to global climate change. Across the UK 30% of emissions are from transport,
- In Germany when 30km/h (18mph) zones were introduced, fuel consumption fell by nearly 1/8<sup>th</sup>, thus cutting carbon emissions. A step in the right direction.

## Council further notes that:

- Over 20 million citizens live in local authorities in the UK which have adopted or are adopting a default speed limit of 20mph on residential roads, including those in Wales, large parts of London and major UK cities like Edinburgh, Nottingham and Bristol.
- Lower speed limits reduce noise, pollution and congestion, while encouraging people to walk and cycle more, improving population health.
- Surveys show that 20mph streets are popular, with the majority of residents who live on streets with a 20mph limit supporting this limit for their street.

Council therefore resolves not to be left behind, by:

- Establishing a cross-party working group to make 20mph speed limit the norm for residential roads in Derby as soon as possible, and to consider also reducing the speed limit on roads with current limits of 40mph and higher. This process would include identifying any roads where a lower speed limit may not be appropriate.
- Integrating this thinking alongside other existing initiatives such as School Safe Havens, and active travel initiatives.
- Working with the Police and volunteers to explore enforcement measures such as average speed cameras and Community Speedwatch initiatives.
- Asking the Leader of the Council to write to the Police and Crime Commissioner to request for the police to review the enforcement of existing and future 20mph speed limits.

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