



**Council**  
**Wednesday 3 February 2016 at**  
**6pm**

Council Chamber, Council House  
Corporation Street, Derby, DE1  
2FS

**Members:** The Mayor, Councillor Paul Pegg, and Councillors Afzal, Ashburner, Banwait, Barker, Bayliss, Bolton, Care, Carr, Dhindsa, Eldret, Froggatt, Graves, Grimadell, Harwood, Hassall, Hezelgrave, Hickson, A Holmes, M Holmes, Hussain, Ingall, Jackson, Jones, Keith, J Khan, S Khan, MacDonald, Martin, Naitta, Nawaz, Poulter, Raju, Rawson, Redfern, Repton, Roulstone, Russell, Sandhu, Shanker, Skelton, Stanton, Tittley, Turner, Webb, West, Whitby, Williams, Winter, Wood and Wright.

## Agenda

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| 1. | Apologies   |                 |
| 2. | Declarations of interest                                    | <b>Attached</b> |
| 3. | Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 25 November 2015  | <b>Attached</b> |
| 4. | Announcements from the Mayor                                |                 |
| 5. | Statements from members of the Council Cabinet              |                 |
| 6. | Questions from the public to members of the Council Cabinet |                 |

From	To	Subject
Dorothy Skrytek	Councillor Shanker	Clean Air Zones
Simon Bacon	Councillor Afzal	Raynesway recycling site traffic
Brendan Connelly	Councillor Shanker	Cemetery wheelchair accessibility
Rob Cooper	Councillor Rawson	Golden Spine artwork
Susan Stacey	Councillor Russell	SEN support staff
Janet Abbott	Councillor Banwait	Teaching Assistant pay mitigation
Pat Woolley	Councillor Afzal	Bus Facilities
Dorothy Skrytek	Councillor Shanker	Sinfin Air Quality Management Area
Simon Bacon	Councillor Afzal	Blue bin recycling costs
Brendan Connelly	Councillor Banwait	Role of the Leader
Rob Cooper	Councillor Afzal	Prince Charles Avenue accidents
Susan Stacey	Councillor Banwait	Teaching Assistant pay discrepancy
Janet Abbott	Councillor Banwait	Teaching Assistant pay mitigation
Pat Woolley	Councillor Afzal	Arriva service changes

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| 7. | Questions relating to Derbyshire Fire Authority or Derby Homes | <b>None</b> |
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8. Questions from non-Council Cabinet members
9. Minute 134/15 of the Council Cabinet meeting held on 20 January 2016 – *Capital Budget 2016/17 to 2018/9* **Attached**
10. Minute 135/16 of the Council Cabinet meeting held on 20 January 2016 – *Report on the Robustness of Estimates and on the Adequacy of Reserves* **Attached**
11. Minute 136/15 of the Council Cabinet meeting held on 20 January 2016 – *General Fund Revenue Budget 2016/7* **Attached**
12. Appointments of Strategic Directors **Attached**
13. Notice of Motion: Fair Deal for Derby

**Moved by Councillor Banwait, seconded by Councillor Rawson**

Council recognises the existence of a funding crisis in local government. Council notes the findings of the National Audit Office, which estimate that funding has been cut by 37 per cent in real terms since 2010, despite increasing demand for services.

Council fears that new adult social care burdens, additional public health duties, welfare reform, pressures on social housing and demographic change have stretched vital services to breaking point.

Furthermore, the redistributive effect of policies like the New Homes Bonus and the Chancellor's Adult Social Care precept has diverted funding away from those authorities in greatest need.

The Fair Deal for Derby campaign found that the authority faced £379 of funding cuts per household by 2015/16, compared to an average of just £48 in the ten least deprived areas of the UK.

Council calls for a fairer funding formula and believes that a fundamental review of local government finance is necessary to ensure the delivery of public services that are fit for purpose.

Council urges all political groups to support a revised Fair Deal for Derby and Local Government campaign. Council supports the recommendations of the Special Interest Group of Municipal Authorities (SIGOMA) which has called on the Government to:

- Immediately address the funding crisis in local government and protect vital public services.
- Re-distribute funding streams and implement policies that support those authorities in greatest need.
- Consider the introduction of a fairer funding model that is sustainable, flexible and appropriate for local circumstances.

14. Notice of Motion: Adult Social Care

**Moved by Councillor Repton, seconded by Councillor Banwait**

The Care Act 2014 has put additional responsibilities on local authorities. However, Council notes that the overall funding available for adult social care has been and continues to be significantly reduced.

The LGA estimates that central funding to local authorities will fall by 24 per cent in real terms by 2019/20, while under the Coalition Government adult social care spending has been cut by £4.5 billion. Locally, the picture is stark with £23 million of Government fuelled cuts in adult social care budgets in Derby since 2010/11.

Council notes the following information as evidence of a deepening crisis which is being ignored:

- The Local Government Association, Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS), NHS Confederation and provider associations have all written to the Chancellor calling for immediate action.
- The Chancellor's introduction of a 2 per cent council tax precept is woefully inadequate to address the scale of the crisis and penalises those areas with low Council Tax bases, which are often those with greatest need.
- Even with the addition of the precept, Derby City Council faces a growing £3 million deficit in funding for adult social care.
- ADASS and key figures have described the Government's response as "too little too late".

Council is concerned that failure to address the crisis will lead to deteriorating standards of care as demand continues to rise. By relying on local taxation, the Government is placing the burden on local communities to respond to a national crisis.

Council calls on the Government to provide sufficient resources to meet the needs of people in Derby. Failure to do so will put the most vulnerable people in our city at risk in the months and years to come.

Council resolves to instruct the Cabinet Member for Integrated Health and Care to write to the Minister of State for Community and Social Care urging him to address this alarming crisis immediately.

15. Notice of Motion: Housing land allocations

**Moved by Councillor Care, seconded by Councillor Carr**

Council welcomes the recent submission of part 1 (Local Plan) of the city's Core Strategy and the appointment of the inquiry inspector. However this neither lifts the pressure for more homes nor ensures that more housing is built.

Council notes that in the Derby area sufficient land has been allocated for the majority of new homes up to the end of the plan period in 2028, both within and close to the city. Consultations on the Part 2 allocations will be starting shortly to identify additional land. A large proportion of the housing land is already available, much with planning approval, sufficient to meet current demand for housing in the Derby area, but developers are not building homes at the rate required to meet this demand. This means that under the National Planning Policy Framework more land has to be allocated for housing.

Council notes that allocating further land means that developers can pick and choose which sites to develop, often choosing to build on greenfield sites over brownfield sites, and sites where they will make most profit, not sites which local people would like to see developed. This is not just a problem in Derby.

Council believes that local authorities should be given more influence over sites allocated for housing including by:

- Being able to raise a charge against land with planning approval where building has not started or where it has begun but is not continuing at a reasonable rate
- Removing the requirement for additional housing land to be allocated if there are no substantive reasons for existing allocations not to be built on
- Enabling mechanisms for the transfer of land (at market valuations) from developers holding but not utilising planning approvals and housing land allocations.

Council therefore agrees to write to the government to request changes be made to national legislation to allow these things to be done.

16. Notice of Motion: Electoral Arrangements

**Moved by Councillor Banwait, seconded by Councillor Rawson**

Council recognises the growing demand for a change to Derby's local election cycle;

That there is an overwhelming case for moving from so-called "elections by thirds" to "whole city council elections" every four years;

Council therefore resolves that there should be a consultation exercise undertaken immediately and that an extraordinary council meeting take place early in the new municipal year which will formally consider the proposal that "whole city council elections" be adopted.

*Janie Berry*

**Janie Berry, Director of Governance**