

Council Wednesday 21 September 2022

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 Robin Wood, and Councillors Atwal, Barker, Bonser, Care, Carr, Cooper, Dhindsa, Evans, Eyre, Froggatt, A J Graves, A W Graves, Hassall, Hezelgrave, A Holmes, M Holmes, Hussain, C Ingall, P Ingall, Jennings, J Khan, S Khan, Kus, Lind, Lindsey, Lonsdale, Martin, Naitta, Nawaz, Pandey, Pattison, J Pearce, T Pearce, Peatfield, Potter, Poulter, Prosser, Rawson, Repton, Roulstone, Sandhu, Shanker, Skelton, Smale, Swan, Testro, Webb, West, Whitby and Williams.

Agenda

1. Apologies

2. Declarations of Interest

Attached

3. Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 20 July 2022

Attached

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

	Questioner	Respondent	Summary
A	Julie Brandon R Lewis Mair Perkins Lucy Giuliano	Cllr Poulter	Socio-Economic Duty and Action Plan
В	Greg Szemraj	Cllr Hassall	Sinfin Lane Improvements
С	Simon Bacon	Cllr J Pearce	Recycling Information
D	R Lewis	Cllr Smale	Life Expectancy Gap
Е	Mair Perkins	Cllr Hassall	A38 Junction Scheme
F	Simon Bacon	Cllr J Pearce	Raynesway HWRC
G	Lucy Guiliano	Cllr Hassall	Cycling Road Safety Concerns

*Note: owing to the additional Bank Holiday, further public questions received after the publication of this agenda but before midday on Tuesday 13 September will be included in the Council Questions booklet.

7. Questions relating to Derbyshire Fire Authority or Derby Homes

- 8. Questions from non-Council Cabinet members
- 9. Minute extract 08/22 of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on **Attached** 9 August 2022 (Appointment of Independent Persons)
- 10. Minute extract 09/22 of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on **Attached** 9 August 2022
- 11. Minute extract 19/22 of the meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board Attached held on 8 September 2022
- 12. Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny 2021-22 Attached
- 13. Appointments to Outside Bodies and Charities Attached

14. Notice of motion: Houses in Multiple Occupation

Moved by Councillor A W Graves, seconded by Councillor Kus:

Since changes to planning regulations in 2010, the change of use from a dwelling house (class C3) to a house of multiple occupation (HMO) (class C4) is possible under permitted development rights and planning applications are not needed.

The proliferation of HMOs have adversely affected many areas of Derby, including Alvaston.

Badly managed or inappropriately located HMOs can have a negative effect on the whole local community.

This Council calls for the introduction of a citywide direction under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 for the removal of permitted development rights for the change of use of dwelling houses (C3 Use Class) to small houses in multiple occupation (C4 Use Class).

This motion will provide a means for the city (via the planning process) to properly consider the implications of new HMOs that are created, avoid excessive concentrations and continue to monitor their distribution and their effects on the wider area.

15. Notice of motion: Electoral Reform

Moved by Councillor A W Graves, seconded by Councillor Prosser:

First Past the Post (FPTP) originated when land-owning aristocrats dominated parliament and voting was restricted to property-owning men. In Europe, only the UK and authoritarian Belarus still use archaic single-round FPTP for general elections. Meanwhile, internationally, Proportional Representation (PR) is used to elect parliaments in more than 80 countries. Those countries tend to be more equal, freer and greener.

PR ensures all votes count, have equal value, and those seats won match votes cast. Under PR, MPs and Parliaments better reflect the age, gender and protected characteristics of local communities and the nation.

MPs better reflecting their communities leads to improved decisionmaking, wider participation and increased levels of ownership of decisions taken.

PR would also end minority rule. In 2019, 43.6% of the vote produced a government with 56.2% of the seats and 100% of the power. PR also prevents 'wrong winner' elections such as occurred in 1951 and February 1974.

PR is already used to elect the parliaments and assemblies of Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. So why not Westminster?

Council therefore resolves to write to H.M. Government calling for a change in our outdated electoral laws to enable Proportional Representation to be used for general elections.

16. Notice of Motion: Storm Overflow Sewage Discharge into Rivers and Streams.

Moved by Councillor Dhindsa, seconded by Councillor West

Derby City Council is appalled at the amount of sewage being dumped into our rivers and streams especially through storm overflow discharges. This can only have a detrimental impact on the health of our communities and neighbourhoods.

This environmental impact and public health issue are of serious concern to Derby residents. The number of sewage dumps across Derby is unacceptable.

Derby North 393 Sewage Dumps over 21 sites – 708 Derby South 311 Sewage Dumps over 21 sites – 978 hours Mid Derbyshire 911 Sewage Dumps over 33 sites – 4.409 hours

Derby Residents deserve better and this council resolves to:

- Call Severn Trent to account by requesting that they attend a meeting of the Communities Scrutiny Review Board to discuss the environmental impact of sewage discharge in rivers and streams
- Demand an action plan from Severn Trent to see a sustained drop in the number of sewage dumps and hours of dumping
- Ensure that Discharges into our rivers and streams meet at least the standards and targets set by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) as published in their Storm Overflows and Discharge Reduction Plan (26th August 2022)

17. Notice of Motion: Reducing Energy Use in Derby

Moved by Councillor Care, Seconded by Councillor Lonsdale

Council recognises the pressure on our energy supply system due to gas flows from Russia being reduced. This increases concern about possible gas and electricity shortages this winter.

Council also reaffirms its commitment to address the Climate emergency and to seek ways to reduce Derby's carbon footprint.

Council welcomes initiatives that are already happening in Derby to improve energy efficiency and to reduce dependence on fossil fuels, including insulating homes, adding solar panels to roofs and encouraging more sustainable travel.

However, in light of this new, immediate and urgent gas supply situation, the City Council will show leadership in Derby by:

- Turning off decorative lighting of buildings and other lighting not related to safety
- Resetting thermostats in offices and public buildings to a maximum of 20C (68F)
- Asking shop keepers to turn off display lighting between 10pm and 6am
- Enabling staff to continue to work from home where possible to reduce energy use for transport.

To help deliver long term reduction in energy demand, which will also assist with cost of living pressures, Council further asks officers to:

- Encourage companies making products required to reduce dependence on fossil fuel energy, such as insulation materials and solar panels, to set up new manufacturing facilities in Derby
- Ensure Derby College, and other providers, are making training available for the skills needed to deliver these changes
- Encourage the setting up of community-led energy clubs where householders can be guided in how to reduce their energy use.

Council asks the Cabinet member covering Climate Change to write to the City Centre Business Improvement Districts, D2N2, East Midlands Energy Forum, Marketing Derby, Chamber of Commerce and Energy Saving Trust to ask for their cooperation and support with these initiatives as appropriate. gera___

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