

Council Wednesday 17 January 2024

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

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 Attached

Minutes of the meetings of Council held on 22 November 2023 and 7
 December 2023.

Attached

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

	Questioner	Respondent	Summary
Α	Vanessa Boon	Cllr Hezelgrave	Betting shops
В	Geoffrey Marshall	Cllr Hezelgrave	Settlement of Ukrainian refugees
С	Simon Bacon	Cllr Swan	Drain and gully clearance
D	Vanessa Boon	Cllr Shanker	Council Tax arrears
E	Simon Bacon	Cllr Shanker	Sinfin Waste Treatment Plant

- 7. Questions relating to Derbyshire Fire Authority or Derby Homes
- 8. Questions from non-Council Cabinet members
- 9. Minute extract 103/23 of the Council Cabinet meeting held on 6

 December 2023 (Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2023-24).

 Attached
- 10. Minute extract of the Council Cabinet meeting held on 10 January 2024 **To Follow** (Council Tax Base for 2024-25)

12. Polling Place Review

Attached

13. Notice of motion: NHS Dentisty Isn't Working: Implement Fundamental Reform

Moved by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Dhindsa:

Full Council notes that NHS dentistry is in crisis. The Health and Social Care Parliamentary Select Committee 2023 Report, NHS dentistry, states that the pain and distress of being unable to see an NHS dentist is 'totally unacceptable in the 21st century', and calls for urgent and fundamental reform. The British Dental Association has said that NHS dentistry isn't working and has called upon the government to 'restore' NHS dentistry as Rishi Sunak promised in his leadership campaign of 2022.

Access to NHS dentistry has been in decline for over a decade and is now at a critically low level. 1 in 5 people are not 'registered' with a dentist at all and nearly 50% are not seeing a dentist regularly, whilst an estimated 10% of people are resorting to DIY treatment. In Derby, a recent Healthwatch Report detailed widespread problems in accessing an NHS dentist, including for children, and in a city where tooth decay among the under 5s is higher than the national average. Many dentists have ceased accepting NHS patients, and the increasing cost of dentistry is also a barrier to access which impacts disproportionately those most affected by the cost of living crisis.

Fundamental reform of the NHS dental contract and increased funding are key to restoring NHS dentistry, as many bodies acknowledge.

Full Council resolves to:

- Support the calls for urgent action to implement the requisite fundamental reforms to NHS dentistry
- Support the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board writing to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to urge the immediate implementation of reforms.

Emily Feenan Monitoring Officer