

## Council Wednesday 22 January 2020 At 6pm

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

Members:

The Mayor, Councillor Frank Harwood, and Councillors Anderson, Ashburner, Atwal, Barker, Bettany, Carr, Care, Cooper, Dhindsa, Eldret, Evans, Froggatt, Graves Jr., Graves Sr., Hassall, Hezelgrave, A Holmes, M Holmes, Hudson, Hussain, Ingall, J Khan, S Khan, Kus, Lind, Marshall, McCristal, Naitta, Nawaz, Pattison, Pearce, Peatfield, A Pegg, P Pegg, Potter, Poulter, Repton, Roulstone, Russell, Sandhu, Shanker, Skelton, Smale, Stanton, Testro, Webb, West, Williams, Willoughby and Wood.

## Agenda

1.	Apologies				
2.	Declarations of Interest				Attached
3.	Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 27 November 2019				Attached
4.	Announcements from the Mayor				
5.	Statements from members of the Council Cabinet				
6.	Questions from the Public				
		Questioner	Respondent	Summary	
	Α	Simon Bacon	Councillor Smale	Costs associated with EIR requests	
	В	Simon Bacon	Councillor Wood	Arboretum Park anniversary	

- 7. Questions relating to Derbyshire Fire Authority or Derby Homes
- 8. Questions from non-Council Cabinet members
- 9. Review of Derby City Council Governance System **To Follow**
- 10. Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places Attached
- 11. Designation of Statutory Roles and appointment of Chief Executive Attached

## 12. Notice of Motion: Midlands Engine

Moved by Councillor Willoughby, seconded by Councillor Care

Council acknowledges the important work conducted by the Midlands Engine to bring together key stakeholders, businesses and partners across the region to invest in transport, innovation and enterprise, digital connectivity, and help exports.

Council is however concerned that the government is proposing a 40% cut to its funding that could drop from £4.1m in the current financial year to a possible £2.5m a year from this April based on committed funding to date.

This is despite a commitment in the Conservative Party manifesto at the General Election for investment in all areas of the UK including towns and cites, the midlands rail hub, and providing city regions with the funding to upgrade their transport infrastructure. It also states that through bodies like the Midlands Engine they will "drive greater levels of foreign investment into the UK, promoting our towns, cities and countries around the world". Council therefore considers this reduction in funding to be a retrograde step given the importance of promoting trade for the UK at the current time.

Council therefore requests the Leader of the Council to lobby Central Government to express the Council's concern about this proposal, and to ensure that this proposed cut in funding does not take place.

## 13. Notice of Motion: Climate Change Action Plan

Moved by Councillor Care, seconded by Councillor Carr

Derby City Council regrets that the target to agree a Climate Change Action Plan for the city by the end of 2019 has not been met, however it welcomes the appointment of a dedicated Climate Change Officer for the Council.

Council notes that during the past six months many other Councils have declared Climate Emergencies for their areas, both in the UK and beyond. Thus while Derby can no longer consider itself in the vanguard of this movement it can learn from others.

In particular Council agrees to:

- Hold the first meeting of its Climate Change Working Group before the next full Council meeting, inviting representation from all party groups and wider community organisations
- Join the ICLEI (Local Government for Sustainability) to help share and gain advice on climate change actions internationally, and to also work with the LGA and other national local government bodies on this agenda, including to call for additional national funding and legislative and regulatory changes to help achieve climate change action

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- Support Community Action Derby's bids for money to engage the charity and voluntary sector in taking action on climate change locally
- Start preparing a programme of engagement with its own staff to encourage identification of climate change actions the Council can take, including to make full use of the Part 2 Local Plan to drive climate change action across Derby
- Work with the Council's stakeholder and partner bodies to encourage wider adoption of climate change action policies and action
- Bring a Climate Change Action Plan for the city back to the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2020.

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