



Council
Wednesday 20 July 2022

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

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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 25 May 2022 **Attached**
4. Announcements from the Mayor
5. Statements from members of the Council Cabinet
6. Questions from the Public

	Questioner	Respondent	Summary
A	Patric Harting	Cllr Hassall	Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan
B	Lucy Giuliano	Cllr Hassall	Active Travel Fund
C	Simon Bacon	Cllr Pearce	Bins left out on streets
D	Cecile Wright	Cllr Barker	Fossil fuel pension investment
E	Pauline Inward	Cllr Hassall	Climate Change Committee report
F	Brendan Connelly	Cllr Smale	Council Tax increase
G	Ruth Coates	Cllr Hassall	Support for bus services
H	Clare Wood	Cllr Pearce	Use of harmful pesticides
I	Sassi Stark	Cllr Hassall	Planning regulations
J	Simon Bacon	Cllr Pearce	Waste strategy
K	Pauline Inward	Cllr Pearce	Forest for the Future
L	Brendan Connelly	Cllr Barker	Attendance at Cabinet meetings
M	Ruth Coates	Cllr Pearce	Public recycling bins
N	Clare Wood	Cllr Hassall	Climate change advice
O	Sassi Stark	Cllr Hassall	Preservation of heritage properties

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| 7. | Questions relating to Derbyshire Fire Authority or Derby Homes | |
| 8. | Questions from non-Council Cabinet members | |
| 9. | Minute extract 7-22 of the meeting of the Audit and Governance Committee held on 15 June 2022 (Audit and Governance Committee Annual Report). | Attached |
| 10. | Local Government Boundary Review – draft recommendations | Attached |
| 11. | Constitutional Review | Attached |
| 12. | Notice of motion: Bus service improvement plan | |

Moved by Councillor Peatfield, seconded by Councillor Whitby:

Council notes that since the end of the last lockdown Derby City bus services have been severely impacted including but not exclusively;

- *The loss of the Number 9 in Mackworth*
- *The loss of the Spondon Flyer*
- *The loss of the 17a Darley Abbey/ Broadway service*
- *Reduced service to Royal Derby Hospital from every 15 minutes to every 30 minutes (hourly on Sundays)*
- *Reduced service of the Number 38 to Sinfin from every 12 minutes to every 20 minutes*
- *Oakwood/Chaddesden services reduced from every 5 minutes to every 20 minutes*
- *The Pride Park/Wyvern Park Arena link cut to afternoon peak times only*

Council notes with concern the knock on effects including over-crowded buses, students, shoppers, workers/shift workers unable to use bus services, elderly people afraid of being stranded and people resorting to car use.

Given the need for regular, reliable and available bus services to help Derby achieve its carbon reduction targets and ongoing efforts to ensure our city centre is once more a vibrant hub, council resolves to use its influence as partners in the Enhanced Partnership to prioritise it's recent award of £7.2m BSIP funding as follows:

1. *Commission a report into bringing Derby's buses back into local control of Derby City Council by franchising the service.*
2. *A full review and deep delve consultation of current services, travel mapping and assessment of community needs.*
3. *Bring back full services that have been reduced or removed from communities*
4. *Introduce methods that make bus journeys the easiest, quickest and most affordable way to travel.*

13. **Notice of motion: Local Government pay award**

Moved by Councillor Shanker, seconded by Councillor Bonser:

This Council notes:

Local government has endured central government funding cuts of more than 50% since 2010. Between 2010 and 2020, councils lost 60p out of every £1 they have received from central government. UNISON research found that councils in England had to fill a combined funding gap of £3 billion when setting budgets for 2022/23.

Over the last two years, councils have led the way in efforts against the Covid-19 pandemic, providing a huge range of services and support for our communities. Local government has shown more than ever how indispensable it is. But Covid has led to a massive increase in expenditure and loss of income, and as we emerge from the pandemic, local authorities and schools need far more support from Westminster.

Council and school workers kept our communities safe through the pandemic, often putting themselves at considerable risk as they work to protect public health, provide quality housing, ensure our children continue to be educated, and look after older and vulnerable people.

Since 2010, the local government workforce has endured years of pay restraint with the majority of pay points losing 27.5 per cent of their value since 2009/10. Staff are now facing the worst cost of living crisis in a generation, with RPI forecast by the Office for Budgetary Responsibility (OBR) to average at 9.8% across 2022 and currently running at 11.1%. Many staff are having to make impossible choices between food, heating and paying for other essentials. This is a terrible situation for anyone to find themselves in.

At the same time, workers have experienced ever-increasing workloads and persistent job insecurity. Across the UK, 900,000 jobs have been lost in local government since June 2010 – a reduction of more than 30 per cent. Local government has arguably been hit by more severe job losses than any other part of the public sector.

There has been a disproportionate impact on women, with women making up more than three-quarters of the local government workforce.

Recent research shows that if the Government were to fully fund the unions' 2022 pay claim, around half of the money would be recouped thanks to increased tax revenue, reduced expenditure on benefits and tax credits, and increased consumer spending in the local economy.

This Council believes:

Our workers are public service super-heroes. They keep our communities clean and safe, look after those in need and keep our towns and cities running.

Without the professionalism and dedication of our staff, the council services our residents rely on would not be deliverable.

Local government workers deserve a proper real-terms pay increase. The Government needs to take responsibility and fully fund this increase; it should not put the burden on local authorities whose funding has been cut to the bone and who were not offered adequate support through the Covid-19 pandemic.

This Council resolves to:

- *Support the pay claim submitted by UNISON, GMB and Unite on behalf of council and school workers, for an increase of £2,000 or RPI (whichever is greater).*
- *Call on the Local Government Association to make urgent representations to central government to fund the NJC pay claim*
- *Write to the Chancellor and Secretary of State to call for a pay increase for local government workers to be funded with new money from central government*
- *Meet with local NJC union representatives to convey support for the pay claim and consider practical ways in which the council can support the campaign*
- *Encourage all local government workers to join a union.*

14. Notice of motion: Ambulance response times

Moved by Councillor Lonsdale, seconded by Councillor Lind:

Derby City Council notes with concern the increase in average Ambulance Response times in the City of Derby – which in the last quarter of 2021 were at their highest since records began in 2017.

Derby City Council would like to record its gratitude to local ambulance staff – who work flat out to keep our community safe every day of the year. However, Derby City Council believes the Government has failed to act on warnings that ambulance services are struggling to maintain a safe and timely service.

The target response time for a ‘Category 1’ incident (immediately life threatening) is 7 minutes. However, the latest figures from December 2021 showed the average response time in the City of Derby for Category 1 callouts is more than its target of 15minutes.

The target response time for a ‘Category 2’ incident (major incidents such as strokes or potential heart attacks) is 18 minutes, but in December 2021 the average response time in Derby City for a Category 2 callout was over 45 minutes.

Council believes the response times for Category 2 callouts are particularly concerning. Those who suffer serious emergencies such as strokes, severe chest pains and severe burns need to be treated urgently.

Council gives its support to the Ambulance Waiting Times (Local Reporting) Bill, moved by Liberal Democrat MP Daisy Cooper, which is currently being considered in Parliament. The bill would make it a requirement for NHS Trusts to publish regular localised reports into Ambulance response times for Category 1,2,3 and 4 callouts and to provide explanations for targets not being met.

Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to:

- *Express the Council's support of the Ambulance Waiting Times Bill.*
- *Request that the Secretary of State commission the CQC, under powers laid out in Section 48 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008, to conduct an urgent investigation into the causes and impacts of ambulance service delays.*

Council further agrees for a report to be brought to the next Adults and Health Scrutiny meeting to provide further analysis of ambulance response times in Derby, causes of response targets not being met and what support the Council can give local NHS services to improve local ambulance response rates.



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