

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

held at the Council House, Nottingham,

on Monday 3 December 2007 at 2.00 pm

ATTENDANCES

✓ Councillor Munir	Lord Mayor
✓ Councillor Ahmed	✓ Councillor Jones
✓ Councillor Akhtar	✓ Councillor A Khan
✓ Councillor Arnold	✓ Councillor G Khan
✓ Councillor Aslam	✓ Councillor Klein
✓ Councillor Benson	Councillor Lee
✓ Councillor Bryan	Councillor Liversidge
Councillor Bull	✓ Councillor Long
✓ Councillor Campbell	✓ Councillor MacLennan
✓ Councillor Chapman	✓ Councillor Malcolm
✓ Councillor Clark	✓ Councillor Marshall
✓ Councillor Clarke-Smith	✓ Councillor Mellen
Councillor Collins	✓ Councillor Mir
✓ Councillor Cowan	✓ Councillor Newton
✓ Councillor Cresswell	✓ Councillor Oldham
Councillor Culley	✓ Councillor Packer
Councillor Davie	✓ Councillor Parbutt
✓ Councillor Dewinton	✓ Councillor Price
✓ Councillor Edwards	✓ Councillor Smith
✓ Councillor Foster	✓ Councillor Spencer
✓ Councillor Gibson	✓ Councillor Sutton
Councillor Griggs	✓ Councillor Trimble
✓ Councillor Grocock	✓ Councillor Unczur
✓ Councillor Hartshorne	✓ Councillor Urquhart
✓ Councillor Heppell	✓ Councillor Watson
✓ Councillor Ibrahim	✓ Councillor Wildgust
✓ Councillor James	✓ Councillor Williams
✓ Councillor Johnson	✓ Councillor Wood

38 ORDER OF BUSINESS

RESOLVED that the order of business be varied so that the Official Communications and Announcements item be considered as the first item of business after Declarations of Interests, followed by the Motion in the name of Councillor Unczur.

39 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

In respect of agenda item 9, Youth Justice Plan 2007/08, the following members declared interests:-

Councillor Price declared a personal interest as an employee of the Learning and Skills Council, which did not preclude him from speaking or voting on this item.

Councillor Urquhart declared a personal interest as an employee of the Probation Service, which did not preclude her from speaking or voting on this item.

40 OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The Lord Mayor informed Council that Martin Jackaman, Day Service Modernisation Manager within Adult Services, Housing and Health Department, had won the Guardians Public Servant of the Year Award for his pioneering work to provide state of the art public toilets for disabled people at Greyhound Street.

The Lord Mayor further reported that the Practice Learning Team within Adult Services, Housing and Health Department had been recognised for their work by winning with a national Accolade Award from Skills for Care. This was in recognition of the innovative work undertaken by the team to develop and support student social work placements in the voluntary and independent sectors.

41 MOTION IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR UNCZUR - ADULT SERVICES

Prior to Councillors Unczur and James proposing and seconding the Adult Services motion, two films were presented to members, the first was of Nottingham service users speaking about their experience of Adult Services and their future aspirations for adult social care, the second film was of Tash Wood, a local service user, comedienne and actress, speaking about her experience of self-directed support and the difference it had made to her way of life.

MOVED by Councillor Unczur, seconded by Councillor James:-

This Council thanks all of those who have organised and contributed to the debate today especially the service users of Nottingham who took the time to come and share their experiences and views with us.

This Council is committed to providing the best possible level of support to our local residents and empowering them to take ownership of the decisions that affect their lives.

This Council notes the demographic issues that have been brought to our attention and the views of the national government.

This Council resolves to:-

- (i) set up a politically balanced cross party task group of nine members nominated by political groups, and officers nominated by the Corporate Director of Adult Services, Housing and Health who will be tasked to look at all the issues relevant to the future of adult social care in Nottingham;
- (ii) report back to the Executive Board and Overview and Scrutiny Committee with their findings and recommendations.

Moved by Councillor Clarke Smith by way of amendment and seconded by Councillor Cowan that:-

Delete all from, and including, 'This Council resolves to'

Motion as amended would read:

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After discussion the amendment was put to the vote and was not carried.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Unczur, seconded by Councillor James that:-

(1) this Council

- (i) thanks all of those who have organised and contributed to the debate today, especially the service users of Nottingham who took the time to come and share their experiences and views with us;**
- (ii) is committed to providing the best possible level of support to our local residents and empowering them to take ownership of the decisions that affect their lives;**
- (iii) notes the demographic issues that have been brought to our attention and the views of the national government;**

(2) resolves to set up a politically balanced cross party task group of nine members nominated by political groups, and officers nominated by the Corporate Director of Adult Services, Housing and Health who would be tasked to look at all the issues relevant to the future of adult social care in Nottingham;

(3) report back to the Executive Board and Overview and Scrutiny Committee with their findings and recommendations.

42 QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Public Question

Embankment - 20mph speed limit

The Lord Mayor asked the following question on behalf of Mr Tunley, of the Portfolio Holder for Transport, Economic Development and Skills:-

Why is the embankment a 20 mile per hour limit? Cars travel at an average of 40mph to 50mph. Nothing appears to be done about this.

It seems that a blind eye is turned to this as it is a useful way of keeping traffic out of the town centre.

Councillor Parbutt replied as follows:-

Thank you, Lord Mayor.

I would like to thank Mr Tunley for his question. The City Council does not in anyway expect the Victoria Embankment to act as a relief road for the city centre, nor do we 'turn a blind eye' to traffic speeding on the embankment. The chosen route for traffic to move east-west south of the city centre is the southern relief route, created in 1998 using Local Transport Plan money which allowed an increase in capacity along Queens Road, Sheriffs Way and Waterway Street. This is the route we encourage all motorists to make for these journeys.

Victoria Embankment itself is not a public highway. Its ownership is with the Community and Culture Department and this gives them the opportunity to use it for events such as the Riverside festival.

The 20 mph order was made in order to reflect this primary leisure usage.

However, the police have the responsibility for enforcing speeding limits of this kind and their expectation is that 20mph zones should be self enforcing, that is, have accompanying traffic calming measures. This will be considered in future development plans for the embankment. The Council will also approach the police to see what enforcement activity they can carry out on the embankment in the meantime.

43 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings of the Ordinary Council and Special Council held on 15 October 2007, be confirmed and signed by the Lord Mayor.

44 POLLING DISTRICTS AND PLACES REVIEW 2007

The report of Councillor Edwards (as set out on page 223 of the agenda) was submitted and its recommendations were moved by Councillor Edwards and seconded by Councillor Clark.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Parbutt, seconded by Councillor Clark that the City Councils existing scheme of polling districts and places be amended in accordance with the revisions set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

45 REVIEW OF NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

The report of Councillor Campbell (as set out on page 249 of the agenda) was submitted.

MOVED by Councillor Campbell by way of amendment and seconded by Councillor Creswell.

That the following amendment be made to Appendix D, page 46 to the Statement of Licensing Policy:-

delete last sentence and paragraph starting with 'At the time of writing' and replace with 'In October 2007, over 200 City centre businesses licensed to provide food, drink and entertainment voted to create a

Business Improvement District covering an area broadly similar to the saturated zone’.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Campbell, seconded by Councillor Malcolm that subject to an amendment being made to Appendix D of the report, page 46 by deleting the last sentence and paragraph starting with ‘At the time of writing’ and replacing it with ‘In October 2007, over 200 City centre businesses licensed to provide food, drink and entertainment voted to create a Business Improvement District covering an area broadly similar to the saturation zone’, the City Council in its role as a Licensing Authority adopt the Statement of Licensing Policy to take effect from 7 January 2008.

46 YOUTH JUSTICE PLAN 2007-08

The report of Councillor Urquhart (as set out on page 252 of the agenda) was submitted and its recommendations were moved by Councillor Urquhart and seconded by Councillor Mellen.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Urquhart, seconded by Councillor Mellen that the Youth Justice Plan 2007-08 be approved.

47 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

RESOLVED that the resignation of Councillor Long from the NET Development Board and the appointment of Councillor Foster as his replacement be noted.

Below is a brief summary of the key issues identified for the future delivery of services to Adults by the Service Users present at the Adult Services workshop on the morning of 3 December 2007.

Workshop Group	Key issues drawn from Workshops
Children with Disability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity – ensure sufficient funding available to deliver resources for children and young people’s needs, such as respite, leisure and adaptations. • Requirement for a personalised holistic approach centred on individuals and families. • Sat Nav for services highlighting where to go, who can help, specific lead professionals, accessible communication and targeted information.
Older People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved support and information to assist people through difficult situations, and with accessible and easy to understand information. • Feeling free to complain therefore ensuring a quality service, a job properly done and well trained staff. • Necessity to ensure people are attended to at home when carers have a respite/break. • Continuity of care to create familiarity and trust – need to ensure no ‘chopping and changing’. • Helping people make a contribution via a skills exchange and ensuring inclusion.
Black and Minority Ethnic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication – more of it and using different formats, and be more approachable – asking for help is difficult. • Respect for carers of people with a disability, especially the cultural aspects. Elderly Winter Clubs similar to Summer Scheme for Young People. • Better management of services, ensuring everybody gets a voice in what happens in developing services. <p>Make all this happen!</p>

<p>Direct Payments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We must keep the things that are working:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ flexibility; ○ trust; ○ the ability to make respectful relationships with personal assistants; ○ choice; ○ adaptability. • Need to build local support; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a ‘one-stop’ info and advice service (walk in, web, phone) including finances / housing / equipment / choices / options; ○ personal assistant training and advice and personal assistant pool for holiday and sickness cover. • Social Services and NHS to work much more closely together; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NHS need to provide more flexibility through Direct Payments; ○ strong fear of life going backwards when people need more health care.
<p>Learning Disabilities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More small local based day and respite services – planning for big increase in future demand. • Suitable effective transport and drivers – available 24/7 for activities. • Increase staffing levels in day services to provide more individualised person centred services (suggest pool of relief staff).
<p>Physical and Sensory Impairment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resources and information / communication – ‘funding and good management of resources’; • Culturally appropriate services and services that are appropriate to people’s needs (and which meet those needs) – ‘promotion of independence in sensitive ways’. • Access and consultation / training for staff and service users (awareness / understanding) – education and keeping disabled people in the loop. Transport Services that are accessible!

Mental Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Retention and improvement of mental health day support services, both statutory and 3rd sector, and securing of funding.• Improvement to 24hour support for mental health service users and carers.• Improvements to understanding of mental health issues in mainstream Council services, including better coordination and networking across mental health services.
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