



You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **City Council** on Monday 11 January 2021 at 2pm to transact the following business.

The meeting will be held remotely on Zoom – Councillors and colleagues attending the meeting will be provided with access details.

The meeting will be livestreamed on the Council's YouTube Channel – <https://www.youtube.com/user/NottCityCouncil>

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Fireworks are used by people throughout the year to mark different events. While they can bring much joy to many, they can also cause significant problems, fear and distress for other people and for animals. Affected animals not only suffer psychological distress but can also cause themselves injuries as they attempt to run away or hide from the noise.

The RSPCA publically believes that the current law is failing and does not prevent or sufficiently reduce the risk of distress, injury or anxiety in either people or animals. In October 2019, they submitted the *Bang Out of Order* report to Westminster, which states that 62 percent of dogs, 54 percent of cats and 55 percent of horses show signs of distress as a result of the use of fireworks. This means thousands of animals are affected by unplanned and random fireworks each year.

Sadly, it's not just household pets who are affected by fireworks. Wild animals, such as hedgehogs, are also at risk of being burnt alive after making their homes in bonfires. Additionally, fireworks can be highly disturbing to some birds, occasionally causing the abandonment of nests or even whole colonies. As custodians of Wollaton Hall's 200 or so deer, Nottingham City Council has a duty of care to protect these animals from this threat.

The RSPCA recommends the following regulation changes to ensure the safety of pets, wildlife and people nationwide:

- Introducing a limit on the public use of fireworks on or close to specific dates and times.
- Tightening restrictions on the sale of fireworks in the run up to Bonfire Night.
- Reducing the maximum noise level of fireworks sold to the public and ensuring they are labelled accurately.
- Licensing all public firework displays and ensuring displays are better advertised to the public.

The Council therefore resolves to:

- require all public firework displays within the local authority boundaries to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people;
- actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks;
- write to the UK Government urging them to introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays; and
- encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock 'quieter' fireworks for public display.

14 Motion in the name of Councillor Kandola

Motion in the name of Councillor Angela Kandola:

Nottingham City Council recognises the rights of citizens to stand shoulder to shoulder with our Indian Communities, in support of farmers peacefully protesting in response to farming reform in India. Nottingham has a large community with Indian heritage, many of whom have friends and family currently living in the Punjab.

Nottingham City Council recognises that events abroad can lead to anxiety and concerns here. Nottingham is a diverse city where people from different backgrounds get on with each other and we reaffirm our commitment to community cohesion in our city. This Council recognises the rights of individuals to demonstrate peacefully, standing shoulder to shoulder with the 250 million workers currently striking against the Indian government.

Nottingham City Council notes and recognises that a recent Sikh Council UK survey reported that 84% of Sikhs living in the United Kingdom are personally concerned about the impact of the laws and 93% feel that human rights violations in the region will increase.

This Council therefore resolves to:

1. call on the Foreign Secretary to make representations to the Indian Government about the impact of the new farm laws on British Sikhs here in Nottingham, including those with significant and lasting ties in Punjab;
2. write to the Foreign Secretary, raising concerns regarding the deteriorating situation in the Punjab;
3. seek an update on any communications the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office has had with the Indian Government on the issue, including with Foreign Secretary Harsh Shringla, who visited the UK on 4 November 2020; and
4. reaffirm Nottingham City Council's commitment to community cohesion.

15 Motion in the name of Councillor Chapman

Motion in the name of Councillor Graham Chapman:

This Council urges the Government to retain the £20 a week increase to Universal Credit made at the beginning of the pandemic but which is due to end in April. It also urges the extension of the payment to claimants of legacy benefits who are currently excluded from the additional support.

16 Committee membership changes

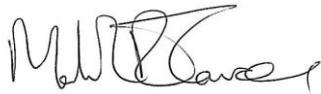
To note the following changes to Committee membership:

- a) Councillor Steve Battlemuch has been appointed to fill a vacancy on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee; and
- b) Councillor Neghat Khan has replaced Councillor Leslie Ayoola as a member of the Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Panel.

Please note that questions to Council are received after the agenda has been published. Questions will be published as a supplementary agenda by 5pm on Friday 8 January 2020.

If you need any advice on declaring an interest in any item on the agenda, please contact the governance officer shown above, if possible before the day of the meeting

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Dated
Director for Legal and Governance
To: All Councillors of Nottingham City Council