Minutes of the meeting of the City Council

held at the Council House, Council Chamber, Old Market Square, Nottingham

on 12 September 2022 from 2.30 pm - 3.35 pm

Attendances:

✓ Indicates present at meeting

29 Apologies for absence

Councillor Leslie Ayoola - unwell Councillor Steve Battlemuch – leave Councillor Rosemary Healy - personal Councillor Phil Jackson - unwell Councillor Corall Jenkins – unwell Councillor Maria Joannou – leave Councillor Sue Johnson – unwell Councillor Jawaid Khalil - personal Councillor Gul Khan – leave Councillor Dave Liversidge - personal Councillor Shuguftah Quddoos - leave Councillor Linda Woodings – leave Councillor Cate Woodward – other Council business

30 Declarations of Interests

None

31 Amendment to Standing Orders

Following the death of Queen Elizabeth II on 8 September 2022, as a mark of respect and in order to provide opportunity for councillors to reflect on her life, the Lord Mayor proposed that Council suspend the necessary sections of Standing Orders to enable a variation of business for the meeting from that set out in Standing Orders so that only essential business would be undertaken. It was proposed that the following items were withdrawn from the agenda:

- Agenda Item 4 Petitions
- Agenda Item 5 Approval of the minutes of the last Council meeting
- Agenda Items 7 and 8 Questions from councillors
- Agenda Item 9 Decisions taken under Urgency Procedures
- Agenda Item 11 Motion in the name of Councillor Power
- Agenda Item 12 Motion in the name of Councillor Williams
- Agenda Item 13 Noting changes to committee membership

It was also proposed that questions submitted by citizens received a written response, a copy of which would be included in the minutes of the meeting.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor Nicola Heaton.

Resolved to vary Standing Orders:

- a) to withdraw the following items from this meeting agenda:
 - i. Agenda Item 4 Petitions
 - ii. Agenda Item 5 Approval of the minutes of the last Council meeting
 - iii. Agenda Items 7 and 8 Questions from councillors
 - iv. Agenda Item 9 Decisions taken under Urgency Procedures
 - v. Agenda Item 11 Motion in the name of Councillor Power
 - vi. Agenda Item 12 Motion in the name of Councillor Williams
 - vii. Agenda Item 13 Noting changes to committee membership
- b) so that questions submitted by citizens for response at this meeting receive a written response.

32 Questions from citizens

As agreed under minute reference 31, questions submitted by citizens received written responses. A copy of the responses is attached to these minutes.

33 To receive official communications and announcements from the Leader of the Council and/or the Chief Executive

The Chief Executive reported that, following the death of Queen Elizabeth II on 8 September 2022, Books of Condolence had been placed in the Council House, Loxley House, Clifton Cornerstone, Bulwell Riverside and Dales Library; flags had been flying at half-mast and crowds had gathered in the Old Market Square on 11 September to hear the Lord Mayor read the formal proclamation in the presence of the Lord Lieutenant, the High Sheriff, the Sheriff and other civic dignitaries. This proclamation announced the accession that took place immediately upon the death of the reigning Monarch and provided an opportunity for people to come together and reflect on the life of the country's longest-serving Monarch and hear the accession to the throne of King Charles III.

Councillor Wendy Smith, Lord Mayor, and Councillor David Mellen, Leader of the Council, spoke in tribute to Queen Elizabeth II and this was followed by tributes from Councillor Kevin Clarke, Leader of the Nottingham Independents Group, and Councillor Andrew Rule, Leader of the Conservative Group. Councillors Rebecca Langton, Michael Edwards, Ethan Radford, Angharad Roberts, Cheryl Barnard, Eunice Campbell-Clark, Graham Chapman and Maria Watson then spoke. Councillors spoke about the Queen's commitment to public duty, and her service to the country and the Commonwealth over many years including periods of significant change. Councillors also recalled her visits to Nottingham including to celebrate her Silver and Diamond Jubilees, to open the Queens Medical Centre hospital site and University of Nottingham Jubilee Campus and to mark the centenary of Nottingham as a city.

A minute's silence was held.

34 Review of Nottingham City Council Late Night Levy Scheme

Councillor Audrey Dinnall, Chair of the Licensing Committee, presented a report proposing that Council revoke its Late Night Levy Scheme, as recommended by the Licensing Committee following consultation carried out in accordance with the relevant Regulations. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Neghat Khan.

Resolved to:

- (1) revoke and cease to apply the Late Night Levy Scheme from the end of the current levy period on 31 October 2022; and
- (2) authorise the Director of Community Protection to carry out all statutory requirements relating to the notification of this decision.

The Meeting concluded at 3.35 pm