

Proceedings of the Meeting of the Leeds City Council held
Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 29th June, 2016

PRESENT: The Lord Mayor Councillor Gerry Harper in the Chair.

WARD

ADEL & WHARFEDALE

Barry John Anderson
Caroline Anderson
Billy Flynn

ALWOODLEY

Neil Alan Buckley
Dan Cohen
Peter Mervyn Harrand

ARDSLEY & ROBIN HOOD

Karen Renshaw
Jack Dunn
Lisa Mulherin

ARMLEY

Alison Natalie Kay Lowe
James McKenna
Alice Smart

BEESTON & HOLBECK

Angela Gabriel
Adam Ogilvie
David Congreve

BRAMLEY & STANNINGLEY

Caroline Gruen
Julie Heselwood
Kevin Ritchie

BURMANTOFTS & RICHMOND HILL

Asghar Khan
Ron Grahame

WARD

CALVERLEY & FARSLEY

Amanda Carter

CHAPEL ALLERTON

Eileen Taylor
Mohammed Rafique
Jane Dowson

CITY & HUNSLET

Elizabeth Nash
Patrick Davey
Mohammed Iqbal

CROSS GATES & WHINMOOR

Pauleen Grahame
Peter John Gruen

FARNLEY & WORTLEY

David Blackburn
Ann Blackburn
Terry Wilford

GARFORTH & SWILLINGTON

Sarah Field
Mark Dobson
Stuart McKenna

GIPTON & HAREHILLS

Salma Arif
Arif Hussain
Kamila Maqsood

GUISELEY & RAWDON

Graham Latty
Paul John Spencer Wadsworth
Pat Latty

HAREWOOD

Ryan Stephenson
Rachael Procter
Matthew Robinson

HEADINGLEY

Al Garthwaite
Neil Walshaw
Jonathon Pryor

HORSFORTH

Christopher Townsley
Dawn Collins

HYDE PARK & WOODHOUSE

Christine Denise Towler
Gerry Harper
Javaid Akhtar

KILLINGBECK & SEACROFT

Graham Hyde
Catherine Dobson
Brian Michael Selby

KIPPAX & METHLEY

Mary Elizabeth Harland
James Lewis
Keith Ivor Wakefield

KIRKSTALL

Lucinda Joy Yeadon
John Anthony Illingworth
Fiona Venner

MIDDLETON PARK

Paul Anthony Truswell
Judith Blake
Kim Groves

MOORTOWN

Alex Sobel
Rebecca Charlwood
Sharon Hamilton

MORLEY NORTH

Robert Gettings
Thomas Leadley

MORLEY SOUTH

Judith Elliott
Neil Dawson
Shirley Varley

OTLEY & YEADON

Sandy Edward Charles Lay
Colin Campbell
Ryk Downes

PUDSEY

Josephine Patricia Jarosz
Richard Alwyn Lewis
Mick Coulson

ROTHWELL

David Nagle
Karen Bruce
Barry Stewart Golton

ROUNDHAY

Eleanor Tunnicliffe
Christine Macniven
Ghulam Hussain

TEMPLE NEWSAM

Debra Coupar
Helen Hayden
Michael Lyons

WEETWOOD

Jonathan Bentley
Judith Mara Chapman

WETHERBY

Gerald Wilkinson
Alan James Lamb
John Michael Procter

16 Announcements

- a) The Lord Mayor reminded those present that the meeting was to be webcast.
- b) The Lord Mayor congratulated the following who were honoured in the Queen's Birthday Honours List:-
 - Mrs Hazel Haas MBE
 - Alexander James McWhirter MBE
 - Rashiklal Parmar MBE
 - Stephen John Wood MBE
 - Hanif Malik OBE
 - Dr Nima Poovaya Smith OBE
 - Dr Geetha Upadhyaya OBE
 - Peter Smith BEM
- c) The Lord Mayor referred to the recent death of Jo Cox, MP for Batley and Spenningsdale.

Council stood in silent tribute.

17 Minutes

It was moved by Councillor Ogilvie, seconded by Councillor C Dobson and

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2016 be approved subject to Cllr Wilford replacing the reference to Cllr A Blackburn in minute 5.

18 Declarations of Interest

There were no declaration of interests.

19 Communications

The Chief Executive informed Council that responses to Council 2 resolutions had been received from;

The Rt Hon Alistair Burt MP, Minister of State for Community and Social Care in respect of the White paper resolution passed by the Council in March 2016 in respect of Pharmacies, and Marcus Jones MP, Minister for Local Government in respect of the White Paper resolution on Local Government Finance passed by Council in March 2016 copies of which had been circulated to all Members of Council.

20 Deputations

Three deputations were admitted to the meeting and addressed Council, as follows:-

- 1) A group regarding the future of the Green Residential Care Home and Day Centre
- 2) A local group regarding safety at a School Crossing at the junction where Shadwell Lane crosses Leeds Ring Road.
- 3) The Leeds Coalition Against the War group regarding the relocation of refugee children.

RESOLVED – That the subject matter in respect of deputation 1 be referred to the Director of Adult Social Services for consideration in consultation with the relevant Executive Member, that the subject matter in respect of deputation 2 be referred to the Director of City Development for consideration in consultation with the relevant Executive Member and the subject matter in respect of deputation 3 be referred to the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) for consideration in consultation with the relevant Executive Member.

21 Report on Appointments

It was moved by Councillor Ogilvie, seconded by Councillor C Dobson and

RESOLVED – That the appointments made by the City Solicitor in consultation with Group Whips and set out in paragraph 4.1 of the report be noted as follows;

- Councillor Stuart McKenna to replace Councillor Neil Dawson on Scrutiny Board (Strategy & Resources)
- Councillor Neil Dawson to replace Councillor Ogilvie on Scrutiny Board (Children’s Services)
- Councillor Eileen Taylor to replace Councillor Mick Coulson on Scrutiny Board (City Development)
- Councillor Ogilvie to replace Councillor Stuart McKenna on Scrutiny Board (City Development)
- Councillor Kamilla Maqsood to replace Councillor Mark Dobson on Scrutiny Board (Citizens and Communities)
- Councillor Mark Dobson to replace Councillor Kamilla Maqsood on Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Service, Public Health & NHS)
- Councillor Paul Truswell to replace Councillor Eileen Taylor on Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Service, Public Health & NHS)
- Councillor Coulson to replace Councillor Tunnicliffe on Licensing Committee
- and to approve Councillor G Hussain replacing Councillor Jarosz on the Corporate Governance and Audit Committee.

22 Recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel - Members' Allowance Scheme

It was moved by Councillor Blake, seconded by Councillor J Lewis and

RESOLVED –

- a) That the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel as detailed in the report of the City Solicitor be approved.
- b) That the City Solicitor be authorised to make any consequential changes to the Members' Allowances Scheme arising from the recommendations.

23 Report on the Leeds Award

It was moved by Councillor G Hyde, seconded by Councillor Ogilvie and

RESOLVED – That the recommendations of the Leeds Award Panel to nominate Mr Kenneth Reid and Dr Simon Lindley to receive the Leeds Award, as presented by the report of the City Solicitor, be approved.

24 Report on Scrutiny Annual Report

It was moved by Councillor J Lewis, seconded by Councillor Ogilvie and

RESOLVED – That the report of the City Solicitor, presenting the Scrutiny Boards' Annual report to Council, prepared in accordance with Article 6 of the Constitution, be received and noted.

25 Questions

Q1 Councillor Lamb to the Executive Member (Children and Families):-

Is the Executive Board Member for Children and Families satisfied with the continuing overspends on school expansion projects, given the limited resources available?

The Executive Member (Children and Families) replied.

Q2 Councillor J Bentley to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning):-

With the gift of hindsight now in his possession, does the executive member regret any aspects of the council's case to the inspector for NGT?

The Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning) replied.

Q3 Councillor Dowson to the Leader of Council :-

Please will the Leader of Council update members on the outcome of the MJ Awards?

The Leader of Council replied.

Q4 Councillor Leadley to the Leader of Council:-

Does the Leader of Council agree that following the outcome of last weeks referendum, the shifting relationship between Britain and the European Union is likely to present challenges to a City of Leeds which depends heavily on legal, technical and financial services, retailing , warehousing and manufacturing, which often have international aspects?

The Leader of Council replied.

Q5 Councillor Arif to the Executive Member (Resources & Strategy):-

Would the Executive Member update Council with information on the budget gap during the years 2017/18 and 2019/2020?

The Executive Member (Resources & Strategy) replied.

Q6 Councillor Robinson to the Leader of Council :-

Would the Leader of Council like to apologise to parents and young people in East Keswick and Bardsey for the problems and expense they have experienced with school transport? Would the Leader of Council like to apologise to parents and young people in East Keswick and Bardsey for the problems and expense they have experienced with school transport?

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.3.b the Executive Member (Children and Families) replied.

Q7 Councillor Campbell to the Executive Member (Resources & Strategy):-

Can the exec member please advise how the closure of the council's consultation portal is forecast to affect engagement with the public and the steps being taken to rectify this?

The Executive Member (Resources & Strategy) replied.

Q8 Councillor Smart to the Executive Member (Children and Families):-

Would the Executive Member for Children and Families care to comment on the recent Government u-turn regarding academies?

The Executive Member (Children and Families) replied.

Q9 Councillor Groves to the Executive Member (Employment, Skills and Opportunity):-

Following the impending closure of the BHS store at the White Rose Centre, what support will we be offering to employees set to lose their jobs?

The Executive Member (Employment, Skills and Opportunity) replied.

Q10 Councillor Flynn to the Executive Member (Children and Families):-

Will the Executive Board Member for Children and Families ensure that the roofing contractors to be employed this summer to finish off the roof at Adel Primary School are fully competent and that their work is closely overseen by council officers?

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.3.b the Executive Member (Resources & Strategy) replied.

At the conclusion of question time, the following questions remained unanswered and it was noted that, under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 11.6, written answers would be sent to each Member of Council:-

- Q11 Councillor J Bentley to the Executive Member (Children and Families).
- Q12 Councillor Pryor to the Executive Member (Health, Wellbeing and Adults).
- Q13 Councillor S McKenna to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning).
- Q14 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Communities).
- Q15 Councillor Townsley to the Executive Member (Children and Families).
- Q16 Councillor A Hussain to the Executive Member (Communities).
- Q17 Councillor Sobel to the Executive Member (Environment and Sustainability).
- Q18 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning).
- Q19 Councillor S Bentley to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning).
- Q20 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning).
- Q21 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Resources & Strategy).
- Q22 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning).
- Q23 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning).
- Q24 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning).
- Q25 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Environment and Sustainability).
- Q26 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Regeneration , Transport and Planning).
- Q27 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Resources & Strategy).
- Q28 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Environment and Sustainability).
- Q29 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Environment and Sustainability).

26 Minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Executive Board

It was moved by Councillor Blake, seconded by Councillor Ogilvie that the minutes be received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(i).

An amendment (reference back) was submitted by Councillor J Bentley, seconded by Councillor Golton to add the following at the end of item 10:

'To ask the Executive Board to reconsider the decision in relation to Recycling and Energy Recovery Facility Update, contained in minute 169 of the Executive Board minutes of 20th April 2016.'

Upon being put to the vote the amendment(reference back) was declared lost and upon being put to the vote it was

RESOLVED – That the minutes be received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(i).

Council procedure Rule 4, providing for the winding up of business, was applied prior to all notified comments on the minutes having been debated.

At the conclusion of this Council adjourned from 16.25 to 16.50

27 Report on Devolution

It was moved by Councillor Blake, seconded by Councillor J Lewis and

RESOLVED - That the report of the Chief Executive updating Members on matters in respect of devolution be received.

28 Motion to Suspend Council procedure Rules

It was moved by Councillor Ogilvie, seconded by Councillor G Latty that under the provisions of Council Provision Rule (CPR) 22.1 (Suspension of CPRs), that CPR 3.4 (time limits for business) be suspended to allow up to 60 minutes on the White Paper Motion to be moved by Councillor J Procter and all subsequent amendments, at the conclusion of which voting will commence.

Upon being put to the vote it was

RESOLVED – That leave of Council be given to suspend Council Procedure Rules to allow up to 60 minutes on the White Paper motion to be moved by Councillor J Procter and all subsequent amendments, at the conclusion of which voting will commence.

29 White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Andrew Carter) - Leeds Transport Strategy

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.4 b it was moved by Councillor J Procter, seconded by Councillor B Anderson that this Council calls for a comprehensive Leeds Transport Strategy to be developed and delivered as a matter of urgency and welcomes the Government commitment to earmark the 173m NGT money to be spent on transport in Leeds.

This Council notes the planned scrutiny inquiry into NGT, Executive Board report and the recent transport summit but believes that a modern fit for purpose transport system that benefits all parts of the city is now long overdue in Leeds and should be the city's number one priority.

Council further notes the resident complaints resulting from the delivery of the cycle superhighway and calls for an urgent review of this project and how it fits with wider transport aims such as road safety and the overall ambitions of the city.

Council calls for a further report to be brought to Executive Board to address these matters in full no later than October 2016.

An amendment was moved by Councillor D Blackburn seconded by Councillor A Blackburn

Delete the third paragraph and replace with:

“Further this Council believes that cycling should play its full part in resolving the transport problem of this city. To this end Council supports projects which expand the Safe Cycling Network, but believes that any such work should only be done after full consultation with local residents in the areas affected has been carried out.”

A second amendment was moved by Councillor Campbell seconded by Councillor Lay

To remove the third paragraph of the motion.

A third amendment was moved by Councillor Wakefield seconded by Councillor R Lewis

Delete all after “number one priority” and replace with:

“and accordingly the Council will respond swiftly to the Department for Transport’s funding offer, in line with the approach approved by Executive Board on 22 June 2016.

Council further notes the concerns from residents and businesses about the development of NGT and cycle superhighway and resolves to consider these issues alongside the development of the Transport Strategy.”

The motion would therefore read:

This Council calls for a comprehensive Leeds Transport Strategy to be developed and delivered as a matter of urgency and welcomes the Government commitment to earmark the £173m NGT money to be spent on transport in Leeds.

This Council notes the planned scrutiny inquiry into NGT, Executive Board report and the recent transport summit but believes that a modern fit for purpose transport system that benefits all parts of the city is now long overdue in Leeds and should be the city’s number one priority and accordingly the Council will respond swiftly to the Department for Transport’s funding offer, in line with the approach approved by Executive Board on 22 June 2016.

Council further notes the concerns from residents and businesses about the development of NGT and cycle superhighway and resolves to consider these issues alongside the development of the Transport Strategy.

The amendments in the name of Councillors D Blackburn and Campbell were declared lost.

The amendment in the name of Councillor Wakefield was carried and upon being put to the vote it was

RESOLVED – That this Council calls for a comprehensive Leeds Transport Strategy to be developed and delivered as a matter of urgency and welcomes the Government commitment to earmark the £173m NGT money to be spent on transport in Leeds.

This Council notes the planned scrutiny inquiry into NGT, Executive Board report and the recent transport summit but believes that a modern fit for purpose transport system that benefits all parts of the city is now long overdue in Leeds and should be the city’s number one priority and accordingly the Council will respond swiftly to the

Department for Transport's funding offer, in line with the approach approved by Executive Board on 22 June 2016.

Council further notes the concerns from residents and businesses about the development of NGT and cycle superhighway and resolves to consider these issues alongside the development of the Transport Strategy.

30 White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Leadley) - Planning Policy

It was moved by Councillor Leadley, seconded by Councillor Campbell and it was

RESOLVED - That this Council believes that in the interests of public health and well-being it is essential that it adopts a coherent Planning Policy to control the siting and concentration of hot food takeaways.

Therefore it instructs the Director of City Development to prepare a draft hot food takeaway planning policy to be presented to Development Plan Panel with a view to adding an appropriate document to the Leeds Local Development Framework as quickly as the Statutory consultation and adoption process will allow.

31 White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Blake) - Transport System for Leeds

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 14.10, and with the consent of the seconder, leave of Council was given to withdraw the motion in the name of Councillor Blake.

Council rose at 6.30 pm