

Proceedings of the Meeting of the Leeds City Council held
Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 16th January, 2019

PRESENT: The Lord Mayor Councillor Graham Latty in the Chair.

WARD

ADEL & WHARFEDALE

Barry John Anderson
Caroline Anderson
Billy Flynn

ALWOODLEY

Dan Cohen
Neil Alan Buckley
Peter Mervyn Harrand

ARDSLEY & ROBIN HOOD

Karen Renshaw
Ben Garner
Lisa Mulherin

ARMLEY

Alice Smart
James McKenna
Alison Natalie Kay Lowe
BEESTON & HOLBECK

Angela Gabriel
Gohar Almas
Andrew Scopes

BRAMLEY & STANNINGLEY

Kevin Ritchie
Caroline Gruen
Julie Heselwood
BURMANTOFTS & RICHMOND HILL

Ron Grahame
Asghar Khan
Denise Ragan

WARD

CALVERLEY & FARSLEY

Andrew Carter
Amanda Carter
Peter Carlill

CHAPEL ALLERTON

Eileen Taylor
Mohammed Rafique
Jane Dowson

CROSS GATES & WHINMOOR

Pauleen Grahame
Peter John Gruen
Jessica Lennox

FARNLEY & WORTLEY

Ann Blackburn
David Blackburn
Matt Gibson

GARFORTH & SWILLINGTON

Mark Dobson
Sarah Field
Suzanne McCormack

GIPTON & HAREHILLS

Salma Arif
Arif Hussain
Kamila Maqsood
GUISELEY & RAWDON

Graham Latty
Pat Latty
Paul John Spencer Wadsworth

HAREWOOD

Matthew James Robinson
Sam Firth
Ryan Stephenson

HEADINGLEY & HYDE PARK

Jonathon Pryor
Alison Garthwaite
Neil Walshaw

HORSFORTH

Dawn Collins
Jonathon Taylor

HUNSLET & RIVERSIDE

Elizabeth Nash
Mohammed Iqbal
Paul Wray

KILLINGBECK & SEACROFT

Paul Drinkwater
David Jenkins
Katie Dye

KIPPAX & METHLEY

Mary Elizabeth Harland
James Lewis
Keith Ivor Wakefield

KIRKSTALL

Hannah Bithell
Fiona Elizabeth Venner
John Anthony Illingworth

LITTLE LONDON & WOODHOUSE

Kayleigh Brooks
Javaid Akhtar

MIDDLETON PARK

Kim Groves
Judith Blake
Paul Anthony Truswell

MOORTOWN

Rebecca Charlwood
Sharon Hamilton
Mohammed Shahzad

MORLEY NORTH

Andy Hutchison
Thomas Leadley

MORLEY SOUTH

Judith Elliott

Wyn Kidger

OTLEY & YEADON

Colin Campbell
Sandy Edward Charles Lay
Ryk Downes

PUDSEY

Simon Seary

Richard Alwyn Lewis

ROTHWELL

Barry Stewart Golton
Carmel Harrison
Karen Bruce

ROUNDHAY

Eleanor Tunnicliffe
Angela Wenham
Jacob Goddard

TEMPLE NEWSAM

Debra Coupar
Helen Hayden
Michael Lyons

WEETWOOD

Jonathan Bentley
Christine Knight
James Gibson

WETHERBY

Norma Harrington
Alan James Lamb

67 Announcements

(a) The Lord Mayor reminded those present that the meeting was to be webcast.

(b) The Lord Mayor congratulated Councillor Eileen Taylor on her nomination as Lord Mayor Elect for the 2019-20 Municipal Year.

(c) The Lord Mayor congratulated the following who were honoured in the Queen's New Year Honours List:-

- Richard West Companion of the Order of the Bath
- Robert Heslett CBE
- Duncan Jacques CBE
- Professor Simon Kay OBE
- Saleem Tariq OBE
- Rifhat Malik MBE
- Kim Moloney MBE
- Clare O'Hara MBE
- Stefanie Stead MBE

(d) The Lord Mayor reported the recent death of Honorary Alderman Peter Sparling MBE.

Council stood in silent tribute.

68 Minutes of the last Meeting

It was moved by Councillor Dowson, seconded by Councillor Cohen and

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meetings held on 14th November 2018 be approved.

69 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interests.

70 Communications

There were no communications.

71 Deputations

A deputation from the Leeds Parks and Greenspaces Forum was admitted to the meeting and addressed Council and it was,

RESOLVED – That the subject matter in respect of the deputation be referred to the Director of Communities & Environment for consideration in consultation with the relevant Executive Member.

72 Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee - Short Notice Decisions

The report of the City Solicitor seeking Council approval of the recommendations of General Purposes Committee for amendments to the Constitution to regularise the process for the late publication of reports supporting an officer Key decision was moved by Councillor Blake, seconded by Councillor Dowson and

RESOLVED – That the amendments to the Constitution be approved.

73 Report on the Calculation of the Council Tax and Business Rates Tax Bases for 2019/20

The report of the Chief Officer-Financial Services seeking Council approval to the 2019/20 council tax bases for Leeds and the parish/town councils set out in the report and providing indicative business rates shares for 2019/20 and requesting Council to give delegated authority to the Chief Officer – Financial Services to finalise the shares and to submit them in the *National Non-Domestic Rates Return 1 2019-20* on or before 31st January 2019 was moved by Councillor J Lewis, seconded by Councillor Dowson and

RESOLVED –

- a) To agree that, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012, the amount calculated by the Council as its council tax base for the year 2019/20 shall be 228,209.1 for Leeds and for each parish as listed in Section 3.7, of the report, and detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- b) To agree the increase of the empty homes premium on long term empty properties which have been unoccupied for over two years from 50% to 100%, as detailed in Section 3.3 of the report;
- c) To note the indicative business rates shares set out in Section 3.10, of the report and delegate authority to the Chief Officer – Financial Services to make the detailed calculations and to submit the final figures to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government on or before 31st January 2019.

74 Executive Questions

Q1 In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.1 (c) Councillor Harrington to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport and Planning):-

When the Government's High Streets Minister is suggesting that parking in Towns should be free to attract shoppers into their High Streets, can the Executive Board Member for Regeneration, Transport and Planning tell me why Leeds City Council is planning to introduce parking charges in three District Centres, one of which is in my ward?

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

Q2 Councillor Lay to the Executive Member (Health, Wellbeing and Adults):-

Can the Exec Member for Health, Well-being and Adults tell Council what she is doing to improve the standard of care for the residents of the 28 Care Homes in Leeds deemed to 'require improvement' by the CQC?

The Executive Member (Health, Wellbeing and Adults) replied.

Q3 Councillor Bruce to the Executive Member (Communities):-

Could the executive board member update on progress made following recommendations made by Outer South Community Committee about its Sugar Hill Close and Wordsworth Drive Community under threat of demolition of their homes?

The Executive Member (Communities) replied.

Q4 Councillor Dobson to the Executive Member (Communities):-

Will The Exec Board Member for Communities commit to working cross party with both local and other concerned members to consider a CPO or an offer to acquire 70 properties in Oulton from Pemberstone's, commonly known as the Coal Board Estate, with a view to allowing the existing residents to remain in residency in their homes as council tenants.

The Executive Member (Communities) replied.

Q5 Councillor Venner to the Executive Member (Children and Families):-

Can the Executive Member for Children and Families please update Council on the outcome of the recent Ofsted inspection?

The Executive Member (Children and Families) replied.

Q6 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Environment and Active Lifestyles):-

Does the Executive Member for Environment and Active Lifestyles agree with comments made by some landlords in the Harehills area and backed by at least one of the local Councillors that there has been a significant increase in fly tipping at properties in the area since the Council introduced the charge for removal of household bulky waste?

The Executive Member (Environment and Active Lifestyles) replied.

Q7 Councillor Golton to the Executive Member (Environment & Active Lifestyles):-

How confident is the current administration that they are in a good position to deliver on governments plans to achieve universal weekly food waste collection nationally?

The Executive Member (Environment & Active Lifestyles) 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:-

Q8 Councillor Walshaw to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning):-

Q9 Councillor Leadley to the Executive Member (Children and Families):-

Q10 Councillor A Khan to the Executive Member (Health, Wellbeing and Adults):-

Q11 Councillor Buckley to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning).

Q12 Councillor J Bentley to the Executive Member (Communities).

Q13 Councillor Ritchie to the Executive Member (Learning, Skills & Employment).

- Q14 Councillor Garthwaite to the Executive Member (Environment & Active Lifestyles).
- Q15 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning).
- Q16 Councillor Lay to the Leader of Council.
- Q17 Councillor Wadsworth to the Executive Member (Environment & Active Lifestyles).
- Q18 Councillor Lay to the Executive Member (Learning, Skills & Employment).
- Q19 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Communities).
- Q20 Councillor Harrison to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning).
- Q21 Councillor Firth to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning).
- Q22 Councillor Campbell to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning).
- Q23 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning).
- Q24 Councillor Harrison to the Executive Member (Learning, Skills & Employment).
- Q25 Councillor B Anderson to the Executive Member (Communities).
- Q26 Councillor J Bentley to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning).
- Q27 Councillor Robinson to the Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport & Planning).

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

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

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 item Council adjourned from 16.27 to 16.55.

76 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.

77 White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Robinson) - Business Support

It was moved by Councillor Robinson, seconded by Councillor Andrew Carter that this Council welcomes the Government commitment to high streets both in Leeds and nationally. Key announcements such as the £675m Future High Streets Fund, the Open Doors Project and business rate reductions for small businesses are welcome measures that will help the UK high street to thrive and businesses to grow.

Council notes that apprenticeships can play an important role in supporting both the public sector and private sector businesses. Council welcomes the recent decision to commit £3.2m of apprenticeship levy funding but notes that £0.6m remains unspent. Council believes this money should be put to use as a matter of urgency either working proactively with private sector organisations to deliver new skills and new employment opportunities to Leeds residents or delivering more apprenticeships within the Council.

Council also sees significant potential in the Apprenticeship Levy to close the gender pay gap by working with the Third Sector to encourage women into engineering and the digital sector.

This Council believes that more can be done in Leeds to support local businesses particularly as potentially difficult issues such as the Clean Air Zone are very much on the horizon. Council should consider extending sunset clauses where appropriate to support businesses that could be affected by the CAZ, particularly HGV operators, and look to provide more support, in addition to the local centres programme, for small businesses operating in town and district centres across the city.

Finally Council notes with concern the proposals contained in the Initial Budget Proposals 2019/20 to introduce car parking charges in town and district centres. As the Government introduces measures to support businesses and high streets the ruling administration in Leeds is introducing measures that will stymie those efforts and could have a real impact on businesses in Garforth, Wetherby and Guiseley.

This Council calls for the proposed parking charges to be removed from the initial budget proposals and for a city wide 'High Street Review' to be initiated to identify what additional measures can be introduced to support the High Street, with a report to be brought back to Executive Board no later than Spring 2019 announcing further details. Supporting our local high streets must be something we do all year round, not just for Christmas.

An amendment was moved by Councillor J Bentley, seconded by Councillor Lay;

After fourth paragraph insert a new paragraph 5:

“Additionally Council supports a radical reform of Business Rates to ensure that high street businesses are not unfairly disadvantaged by competition from the on-line economy.”

The white paper will then read:

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A second amendment was moved by Councillor J Lewis, seconded by Councillor Pryor;

Remove all after "This Council" and replace with:

"regrets the Tory led Government's lack of support for the high street over the last 9 years of austerity. Council deplores the Government's failure to act on the vast majority of recommendations for improving the high street put forward by its own reviews, as well as a failure to respond to concerns about how large global corporations are taxed for trading online.

Council notes the Government's recent announcement of funding for the Future High Streets Fund was only made in response to a suggestion by the Timpson Review that following 9 years of Tory led austerity funding local authorities are so desperately short of funding additional grants are needed to help improve the high street.

This Council welcomes action taken under the Council's Local Centres Programme and Our Spaces Strategy to improve high streets in Leeds. However, Council believes further national support for the high street is needed, so supports the establishment of a new National Investment Bank to provide finance and support to small businesses.

Council welcomes that Expressions of Interest are being sought to its Apprenticeship Levy Transfer Fund to use the current underspend to fund apprenticeships in local private sector and third sector organisations. Council welcomes that priority will be given to bids that address inequalities and benefit hard to reach groups, as well as schemes for Women in Engineering and the Digital and Creative Sector.

This Council notes progress towards introducing a selective vehicle charging Clean Air Zone as required by Ministerial direction. However Council calls on the Government to swiftly provide the full funding to support businesses and drivers in Leeds affected to move to compliant vehicles. This will ensure the public has cleaner air to breathe without unfairly damaging small business.

This Council believes the availability of parking spaces is vital to the continued vibrancy of its town and district centres. Council recognises that in some instances, subject to consultation, the use of charges is an appropriate measure to help improve the turnover of parking spaces to ensure their availability for customers of local businesses.”

The amendment in the name of Councillor Bentley was declared lost the second amendment in the name of Councillor J Lewis was carried and upon being put to the vote it was

RESOLVED – That this Council regrets the Tory led Government’s lack of support for the high street over the last 9 years of austerity. Council deplores the Government’s failure to act on the vast majority of recommendations for improving the high street put forward by its own reviews, as well as a failure to respond to concerns about how large global corporations are taxed for trading online.

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78 White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Leadley) - Town and District Centres Car Parking Charges

It was moved by Councillor Leadley, seconded by Councillor Kidger that this Council believes, with trade as bad as it is, that its town and district centres would not stand new car-parking charges.

Therefore this Council resolves to oppose new car-parking charges within these centres, on its own land by straightforward resolution, and on privately owned land by persuasion.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Harrison, seconded by Councillor Campbell;

Replace the word “these” in the second paragraph with “district”.

The white paper would then read:

This Council believes, with trade as bad as it is, that its town and district centres would not stand new car-parking charges.

Therefore this Council resolves to oppose new car-parking charges within district centres, on its own land by straightforward resolution, and on privately owned land by persuasion.

A second amendment was moved by Councillor R Lewis, seconded by Councillor P Gruen;

Delete all after “This Council believes” and replace with:

“the availability of publicly and privately owned parking spaces is vital to the continued vibrancy of its town and district centres. Council recognises that in some instances, subject to consultation, the use of charges at Council owned sites is an appropriate measure to help improve the overall turnover of parking spaces to ensure their availability for customers of local businesses.”

A third amendment was moved by Councillor Lamb, seconded by Councillor Wadsworth;

In the first paragraph, after “new car-parking charges” insert new sentence: “New charges could also lead to displacement of parking onto residential streets.”

In the second paragraph, delete “these centres”. After “within”, insert: “Wetherby, Guiseley and Garforth and all other district centres”.

Motion will read:

“This Council believes, with trade as bad as it is, that its town and district centres would not stand new car-parking charges. New charges could also lead to displacement of parking onto residential streets.

“Therefore this Council resolves to oppose new car-parking charges within Wetherby, Guiseley and Garforth and all other district centres, on its own land by straightforward resolution, and on privately owned land by persuasion.”

The first amendment in the name of Councillor Harrison and the third amendment in the name of Councillor Lamb were declared lost the second amendment in the name of Councillor R Lewis was carried and upon being put to the vote it was

RESOLVED – That this Council believes the availability of publicly and privately owned parking spaces is vital to the continued vibrancy of its town and district centres. Council recognises that in some instances, subject to consultation, the use of charges at Council owned sites is an appropriate measure to help improve the overall turnover of parking spaces to ensure their availability for customers of local businesses.

On the requisition of Councillors Leadley and Lamb the voting on the amendment in the name of Councillor Harrison was recorded as follows;

YES – 10

Bentley, Campbell, Downes, Elliott, Golton, C Harrison, Hutchison, Kidger, Lay and Leadley.

NO – 58

Akhtar, Almas, Arif, Bithell, Blake, Brooks, Bruce, Carlill, Charlwood, Coupar, Dowson, Drinkwater, Dye, Gabriel, Garner, Garthwaite, M Gibson, J Gibson, Goddard, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, C Gruen, P Gruen, Hamilton, Harland, Hayden, Heselwood, Hussain, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jenkins, Khan, Knight, Lennox, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, Mulherin, Nash, Pryor, Rafique, Ragan, Renshaw, Ritchie, Scopes, Shahzad, Smart, E Taylor, Truswell, Tunnicliffe, Venner, Wakefield, Walshaw, Wenham and Wray.

ABSTAIN – 23

B Anderson, C Anderson, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Buckley, Amanda Carter, Andrew Carter, Cohen, Collins, Dobson, Field, Firth, Flynn, Harrington, Harrand, Lamb, P Latty, McCormack, Robinson, Seary, Stephenson, J Taylor and Wadsworth

On the requisition of Councillors Leadley and Lamb the voting on the amendment in the name of Councillor R Lewis was recorded as follows;

YES – 59

Akhtar, Almas, Arif, Bithell, Blake, Brooks, Bruce, Carlill, Charlwood, Coupar, Dowson, Drinkwater, Dye, Gabriel, Garner, Garthwaite, M Gibson, J Gibson, Goddard, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, C Gruen, P Gruen, Hamilton, Harland, Hayden, Heselwood, Hussain, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jenkins, Khan, Knight, Lennox, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, McKenna, Mulherin, Nash, Pryor, Rafique, Ragan, Renshaw, Ritchie, Scopes, Shahzad, Smart, E Taylor, Truswell, Tunnicliffe, Venner, Wakefield, Walshaw, Wenham and Wray.

NO – 32

B Anderson, C Anderson, Bentley, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Buckley, Campbell, Amanda Carter, Andrew Carter, Cohen, Collins, Dobson, Downes, Field, Firth, Flynn, Golton, Harrand, Harrington, C Harrison, Hutchison, Kidger, Lamb, P Latty, Lay, Leadley, McCormack, Robinson, Seary, Stephenson, J Taylor and Wadsworth

ABSTAIN – 0

On the requisition of Councillors Leadley and Lamb the voting on the amendment in the name of Councillor Lamb was recorded as follows;

YES – 31

B Anderson, C Anderson, Bentley, Buckley, Campbell, Amanda Carter, Andrew Carter, Cohen, Collins, Dobson, Downes, Elliott, Field, Firth, Flynn, Golton, Harrand, Harrington, C Harrison, Hutchison, Kidger, Lamb, P Latty, Lay, Leadley, McCormack, Robinson, Seary, Stephenson, J Taylor and Wadsworth

NO – 59

Akhtar, Almas, Arif, Bithell, Blake, Brooks, Bruce, Carlill, Charlwood, Coupar, Dowson, Drinkwater, Dye, Gabriel, Garner, Garthwaite, M Gibson, J Gibson, Goddard, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, C Gruen, P Gruen, Hamilton, Harland, Hayden, Heselwood, Hussain, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jenkins, Khan, Knight, Lennox, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, McKenna, Mulherin, Nash, Pryor, Rafique, Ragan, Renshaw, Ritchie, Scopes, Shahzad, Smart, E Taylor, Truswell, Tunncliffe, Venner, Wakefield, Walshaw, Wenham and Wray.

ABSTAIN – 2

A Blackburn and D Blackburn.

On the requisition of Councillors Leadley and Lamb the voting on the substantive motion in the name of Councillor R Lewis was recorded as follows;

YES – 59

Akhtar, Almas, Arif, Bithell, Blake, Brooks, Bruce, Carlill, Charlwood, Coupar, Dowson, Drinkwater, Dye, Gabriel, Garner, Garthwaite, M Gibson, J Gibson, Goddard, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, C Gruen, P Gruen, Hamilton, Harland, Hayden, Heselwood, Hussain, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jenkins, Khan, Knight, Lennox, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, McKenna, Mulherin, Nash, Pryor, Rafique, Ragan, Renshaw, Ritchie, Scopes, Shahzad, Smart, E Taylor, Truswell, Tunncliffe, Venner, Wakefield, Walshaw, Wenham and Wray.

NO – 33

B Anderson, C Anderson, Bentley, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Buckley, Campbell, Amanda Carter, Andrew Carter, Cohen, Collins, Dobson, Downes, Elliott, Field, Firth, Flynn, Golton, Harrand, Harrington, C Harrison, Hutchison, Kidger, Lamb, P Latty, Lay, Leadley, McCormack, Robinson, Seary, Stephenson, J Taylor and Wadsworth

ABSTAIN – 0

79 White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Mulherin) - Youth Services

It was moved by Councillor Mulherin, seconded by Councillor Scopes that this Council values the contribution of Youth Services to improving the life chances of young people and calls on the Government to place Youth Services on a statutory footing and provide dedicated funding to secure that provision.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Dobson, seconded by Councillor Field;

Add the following paragraph to the end of the white paper:

“In turn, Council will undertake a comprehensive review to ensure that all wards of the city are properly and fairly funded with all areas being re-assessed to ensure that no young person is left behind.”

The amended white paper would thus read:

This Council values the contribution of Youth Services to improving the life chances of young people and calls on the Government to place Youth Services on a statutory footing and provide dedicated funding to secure that provision.

In turn, Council will undertake a comprehensive review to ensure that all wards of the city are properly and fairly funded with all areas being re-assessed to ensure that no young person is left behind.

A second amendment was moved by Councillor Lay, seconded by Councillor J Bentley;

insert after “people” in the first sentence:

“and regrets current funding prevents the City doing more,”

The white paper would read:

This Council values the contribution of Youth Services to improve the life chances of young people and regrets current funding prevents the City doing more, and calls on the Government to place Youth Services on a statutory footing and provide dedicated funding to secure that provision.

A third amendment was moved by Councillor Cohen, seconded by Councillor Lamb

Delete all after: ‘This Council’ and replace with:

“notes recent Government investment in initiatives to support young people such as the Early Intervention Youth Fund, continued funding of the Troubled Families Programme and the Youth Endowment Fund.

“Council notes the funding reductions experienced by local authorities in recent years and the reasons for those reductions and further notes that local Councils have the flexibility to choose how they spend their own resources.

“Council values the contribution of Youth Services to improving the life chances of young people in Leeds and calls for a review of Youth Services in Leeds, to include making Youth Activity Funding eligible for capital expenditure, to ensure that funding is being spent as effectively as possible and is delivering the services that young people in Leeds need.”

The amendments in the name of Councillor Dobson, Councillor Lay and Councillor Cohen were declared lost and upon being put to the vote it was

RESOLVED – That this Council values the contribution of Youth Services to improving the life chances of young people and calls on the Government to place Youth Services on a statutory footing and provide dedicated funding to secure that provision.

On the requisition of Councillors Mulherin and Dowson the voting on the amendment in the name of Councillor Dobson was recorded as follows;

YES – 15

Bentley, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Campbell, Dobson, Downes, Elliott, Field, Golton, C Harrison, Hutchison, Kidger, Lay, Leadley and McCormack.

NO – 59

Akhtar, Almas, Arif, Bithell, Blake, Brooks, Bruce, Carlill, Charlwood, Coupar, Dowson, Drinkwater, Dye, Gabriel, Garner, Garthwaite, M Gibson, J Gibson, Goddard, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, C Gruen, P Gruen, Hamilton, Harland, Hayden, Heselwood, Hussain, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jenkins, Khan, Knight, Lennox, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, McKenna, Mulherin, Nash, Pryor, Rafique, Ragan, Renshaw, Ritchie, Scopes, Shahzad, Smart, E Taylor, Truswell, Tunnicliffe, Venner, Wakefield, Walshaw, Wenham and Wray.

ABSTAIN – 17

B Anderson, C Anderson, Buckley, Amanda Carter, Andrew Carter, Cohen, Collins, Firth, Flynn, Harrand, Harrington, Lamb, P Latty, Robinson, Seary, J Taylor and Wadsworth

On the requisition of Councillors Mulherin and Dowson the voting on the amendment in the name of Councillor Lay was recorded as follows;

YES – 11

Bentley, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Campbell, Dobson, Downes, Field, Golton, C Harrison, Lay, and McCormack.

NO – 65

Akhtar, Almas, Arif, Bithell, Blake, Brooks, Bruce, Carlill, Amanda Carter, Charlwood, Coupar, Dowson, Drinkwater, Dye, Elliott, Gabriel, Garner, Garthwaite, M Gibson, J Gibson, Goddard, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, C Gruen, P Gruen, Hamilton, Harland, Hayden, Heselwood, Hussain, Hutchison, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jenkins, Khan, Kidger, Knight, Leadley, Lennox, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, McKenna, Mulherin, Nash, Pryor, Rafique, Ragan, Renshaw, Ritchie, Robinson, Scopes, Shahzad, Smart, E Taylor, Truswell, Tunnicliffe, Venner, Wakefield, Walshaw, Wenham and Wray.

ABSTAIN – 15

B Anderson, C Anderson, Buckley, Andrew Carter, Cohen, Collins, Firth, Flynn, Harrand, Harrington, Lamb, P Latty, Seary, J Taylor and Wadsworth

On the requisition of Councillors Mulherin and Dowson the voting on the amendment in the name of Councillor Cohen was recorded as follows;

YES – 17

B Anderson, C Anderson, Buckley, Amanda Carter, Andrew Carter, Cohen, Collins, Firth, Flynn, Harrand, Harrington, Lamb, P Latty, Robinson, Seary, J Taylor and Wadsworth

NO – 74

Akhtar, Almas, Arif, Bentley, Bithell, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Blake, Brooks, Bruce, Campbell, Carlill, Charlwood, Coupar, Dobson, Downes, Dowson, Drinkwater, Dye, Elliott, Field, Gabriel, Garner, Garthwaite, M Gibson, J Gibson, Goddard, Golton, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, C Gruen, P Gruen, Hamilton, Harland, C Harrison, Hayden, Heselwood, Hussain, Hutchison, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jenkins, Khan, Kidger, Knight, Lay, Leadley, Lennox, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, McCormack, McKenna, Mulherin, Nash, Pryor, Rafique, Ragan, Renshaw, Ritchie, Scopes, Shahzad, Smart, E Taylor, Truswell, Tunnicliffe, Venner, Wakefield, Walshaw, Wenham and Wray.

ABSTAIN – 0

On the requisition of Councillors Mulherin and Dowson the voting on the motion in the name of Councillor Mulherin was recorded as follows;

YES – 74

Akhtar, Almas, Arif, Bentley, Bithell, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Blake, Brooks, Bruce, Campbell, Carlill, Charlwood, Coupar, Dobson, Downes, Dowson, Drinkwater, Dye, Elliott, Field, Gabriel, Garner, Garthwaite, M Gibson, J Gibson, Goddard, Golton, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, C Gruen, P Gruen, Hamilton, Harland, C Harrison, Hayden, Heselwood, Hussain, Hutchison, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jenkins, Khan, Kidger, Knight, Lay, Leadley, Lennox, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, McCormack, McKenna, Mulherin, Nash, Pryor, Rafique, Ragan, Renshaw, Ritchie, Scopes, Shahzad, Smart, E Taylor, Truswell, Tunnicliffe, Venner, Wakefield, Walshaw, Wenham and Wray.

NO – 0

ABSTAIN – 17

B Anderson, C Anderson, Buckley, Amanda Carter, Andrew Carter, Cohen, Collins, Firth, Flynn, Harrand, Harrington, Lamb, P Latty, Robinson, Seary, J Taylor and Wadsworth

Council rose at 7.40 pm