ASHFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL



Council Offices, Urban Road, Kirkby in Ashfield Nottingham NG17 8DA

Agenda

Council

Date:	Thursday, 11th October, 2018
Time:	7.00 pm
Venue:	Council Chamber, Council Offices, Urban Road, Kirkby-in-Ashfield
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COUNCIL Membership

Chairman:	Councillor Glenys Maxwell
Vice-Chairman:	Councillor Tony Brewer

Councillors:

Lee Anderson Chris Baron Amanda Brown Cheryl Butler Christian Chapman Joanne Donnelly Helen Hollis Jackie James Rachel Madden Lauren Mitchell Lachlan Morrison Nicolle Ndiweni Paul Roberts Phil Rostance Helen-Ann Smith John Wilmott Jason Zadrozny

Jim Aspinall Rachel Bissett Tim Brown Steve Carroll Don Davis David Griffiths Tom Hollis John Knight Cathy Mason Keir Morrison Mick Murphy Christine Quinn-Wilcox Kevin Rostance Robert Sears-Piccavey Mike Smith Sam Wilson

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SUMMONS

You are hereby requested to attend a meeting of the Council to be held at the time/place and on the date mentioned above for the purpose of transacting the business set out below.

R. Mitchell Chief Executive

AGENDA

- 2. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Personal Interests and Non Disclosable Pecuniary/Other Interests.
- To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the 9 48 meetings of the Council held on 26th July and 6th September, 2018.
- 4. To receive any announcements from the Chairman, Leader, Members of the Cabinet and the Head of Paid Service.
- 5. To receive questions from the Public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11, if any.

From Mr. David Hennigan, Sutton in Ashfield:

To Councillor Helen-Ann Smith as the Portfolio Holder responsible for Parks and Open Spaces:

"Can the Council please outline the work it has done to secure our parks, recreation grounds and open spaces it is responsible for in the light of the continuing encampment of travellers across our District? Can the Council please tell me the specific actions they have taken since May to ensure our parks are free for all to use?"

From Mr. Linford Gibbons, Kirkby in Ashfield:

To Councillor Jason Zadrozny as Leader of the Council:

"Following the decision by Nottinghamshire County Council to build a business case to create a single authority in Nottinghamshire abolishing District and Borough Authorities, when will the people of Ashfield be consulted for their opinions and what is the position of ADC regarding this matter?"

6. To receive and consider any petitions submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12, if any. (None received for this meeting)

7. To facilitate the business remaining from the last ordinary meeting of the Council held on 26th July, 2018 in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 23.

Motion 1

To consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Lee Anderson and seconded by Councillor Kevin Rostance, as follows:-

"For the Council to consider banning all dogs from Council owned football and sports pitches and explore options for the introduction of a PSPO".

Motion 2

To consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Christian Chapman and seconded by Councillor Jason Zadrozny, as follows:-

"This Council is committed to regenerating our Town Centres. This Council recognises the problems caused by crime and anti-social social behaviour and its effect on trade.

This Council notes the decisive action taken after complaints about serious anti-social behaviour in the centre of Sutton, congratulates Ashfield District Council on its multi-agency approach to tackle the issues raised and welcomes the difference that our action has made to resident's lives.

This Council further notes the adverse effect that drug taking is having on our Town Centres with a rise in the use of dangerous drugs like 'Black Mamba' or 'Spice' with parts of our District resembling horror films.

This Council acknowledges that the main way we can call for extra police resources via Nottinghamshire Police is through the Police and Crime Panel. This Council regrets that the former Labour Leader of this Council failed to attend a single meeting for 8 months.

This Council resolves to:

- Write to the Home Secretary backing the call for drugs like 'Black Mamba' or 'Spice' to be reclassified as Class A drugs to give the Police more power to act.
- To fully co-operate with the 'Black Mamba / Spice Summit' that the leader of Ashfield District Council called for at a recent meeting of Nottinghamshire County Council.
- 3) To write to Police and Crime Commissioner Paddy Tipping calling for more police resources across the Ashfield District."

Motion 3

To consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Helen-Ann Smith and seconded by Councillor John Wilmott, as follows:-

"This Council notes that the previous Labour administration spent £3million shrinking our bins in a failed attempt to increase recycling and that under Labour, fly-tipping went up by 39% across the Ashfield District.

This Council acknowledges that fly-tipping and the state of our streets is one of the biggest concerns that Councillors hear on the doorstep and that urgent action was needed to tackle the problem.

This Council welcomes the 'Big Ashfield Spring Clean' where 82,500kg of waste was collected over 3 weeks in Hucknall, Kirkby, Sutton and The Rurals – the most amount of rubbish collected since Ashfield District Council was created in 1974. This Council further notes:

- (1) 60,900kg of rubbish was collected in static skips.
- (2) 8,700kg of rubbish was collected in flying skips.
- (3) 12,900kg of rubbish was collected in side waste.
- (4) 160 fridges freezers were removed.
- (5) 867 items of bulky waste were collected.
- (6) That 99.66% of all rubbish was recycled.

Across the District:

- (1) In Sutton, 33,500kg of rubbish was collected.
- (2) In Kirkby and The Rurals, 28,500kg was collected.
- (3) In Hucknall, 20,500kg was collected.

This Council would like to thank Council Staff for going beyond the call of duty to ensure the Big Ashfield Spring Clean was a huge success and thanks to the hundreds of residents across our District who helped with litter picks concentrating on our parks and town centres.

This Council therefore resolves to:

- (1) Start the planning for the Big Ashfield Spring Clean 2019, learning the lessons from 2018 to improve an already hugely successful scheme.
- (2) Continue this Council's fight for a cleaner District as a priority and to use every power we have to catch, prosecute and publicise the fly-tippers who spoil our environment."

- 8. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2 (viii) to receive reports from the Cabinet in relation to the Council's budget and policy framework, reports of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for debate and reports from Officers of the Council:
 - a Report on Urgent Key Decision.
- 9. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2 (ix), to receive 49 recommendations from the Cabinet and the Council's Committees and resolve in accordance with the Council's rules of debate as per the attached schedule.

10. Notices of Motion.

Motion 1

To consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Lachlan Morrison and seconded by Councillor Paul Roberts, as follows:-

"Ashfield District Council resolves to:

- Oppose the Leader of Nottinghamshire County Council's plan to abolish Ashfield District Council in order to replace it with a single unitary council for Nottinghamshire.
- Condemn the Conservative Leader of Nottinghamshire County Council for failing to consult the residents and businesses of Ashfield and Nottinghamshire on their views about the future shape of local government in our area. This shows contempt for the residents and businesses we serve.
- Call on the Leader of Nottinghamshire County Council to reengage with leaders of all councils and opposition groups in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, working constructively, transparently and in a manner of mutual respect - so that we can work collectively on the issues facing the residents and businesses we serve.
- Call on the Leader of Nottinghamshire County Council to spend her time strongly lobbying the Conservative Government for sustainable and fair funding for Ashfield and Nottinghamshire rather than wasting time on attempting to unilaterally redraw the boundaries of local government in Nottinghamshire.
- Agree to write to the Secretary of State for Local Government stating our opposition to the Leader of Nottinghamshire County Council's plan to abolish all districts and boroughs in Nottinghamshire and replace them with a single unitary council and to highlight the complete lack of any credible business case for such a move."

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Motion 2

To consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Jason Zadrozny and seconded by Councillor Rachel Madden, as follows:-

"This Council notes the decision of Nottinghamshire County Council to work on a business case to create a Unitary Authority based in West Bridgford. This Council further notes that Nottinghamshire County Council have already committed £370,000 on a business case to scrap local Borough and District Councils. This could exceed £1,000,000 when Council Officer's time is taken into consideration.

This Council further notes that any decision on future governance in our county affects Ashfield District Council, Bassetlaw District Council, Broxtowe Borough Council, Gedling Borough Council, Mansfield District Council, Newark and Sherwood District Council and Rushcliffe Borough Council.

This Council is disappointed that the Leader of Nottinghamshire County Council has failed to genuinely consult the stake-holder residents and businesses of the Ashfield District on their views about the future shape of local government in our area and refuses to even discuss the idea of a public referendum on the issue.

Further to this, the Leader of Nottingham City Council has gone on record stating: "We will only look to expand the city's borders if the county council goes ahead with its proposals." This would have a significant effect on Hucknall as part of the conurbation.

This Council believes that the biggest decision made about the future of Local Government in our County since 1974 should be made by the people – not politicians. This Council should formally look at the costings for a referendum in the Ashfield District on Thursday, May 2nd 2019 and bring a future report to Cabinet to consider options.

This Council agrees to write to the Rt Hon. James Brokenshire MP, Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government formally stating the Council's formal opposition to Nottinghamshire County Council's plan to abolish all districts and boroughs in Nottinghamshire and replace them with a single unitary council."

11. To answer any questions submitted in writing by Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13, if any.

Question 1

Question from Councillor Lee Anderson to the Leader of the Council:

"Residents in the New Cross area feel let down by ADC. With all the recent problems such as anti social behaviour, drug dealing and hostile behaviour residents have raised serious concerns about the number of HMO's that are opening in the area. Could the council leader please explain what steps can be taken to ensure that the increasing amount of HMO's is controlled in the future?"

12. To receive a list of minutes and a web link to access Cabinet and 63 - 64 Committee meeting minutes that have been published since the last ordinary meeting of the Council for Members to give notice of their intention to ask a question of a relevant Chairman under Procedure Rule 13.2.