

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL HELD ON 21 JULY 2015 AT 6.00 p.m.

- P The Lord Mayor Councillor Campion-Smith
- P The Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Watson
- A The Mayor George Ferguson
- P Councillor Abraham
- P Councillor Alexander
- P Councillor Bolton
- P Councillor Bradshaw
- P Councillor Brain
- P Councillor Breckels
- P Councillor Budd
- P Councillor Cheney
- P Councillor Clark
- P Councillor Clarke
- P Councillor Cook
- A Councillor Daniels
- P Councillor Davies
- A Councillor Denyer
- P Councillor Eddy
- P Councillor Fodor
- A Councillor Frost
- P Councillor Glazzard
- P Councillor Gollop
- P Councillor Goulandris
- P Councillor Greaves
- P Councillor Hance
- P Councillor Harvey
- P Councillor Hickman
- P Councillor Hiscott
- P Councillor Holland
- P Councillor Hopkins
- A Councillor Hoyt
- P Councillor Jackson
- P Councillor Jama
- P Councillor Joffe
- P Councillor Kent
- P Councillor Khan
- P Councillor Kirk

- A Councillor Langley
- P Councillor Leaman
- P Councillor Lovell
- P Councillor Lucas
- A Councillor Malnick
- P Councillor McMullen
- P Councillor Massey
- P Councillor Mead
- P Councillor Means
- P Councillor Melias
- A Councillor Milestone
- P Councillor Mongon
- P Councillor Morgan
- A Councillor D Morris
- P Councillor G Morris
- P Councillor Negus
- A Councillor Payne
- P Councillor Pearce
- P Councillor Phipps
- P Councillor Quartley
- P Councillor Radice
- P Councillor Rylatt
- P Councillor Shah
- A Councillor Stafford-Townsend
- P Jenny Smith
- P Councillor Stone
- P Rob Telford
- P Councillor Thomas
- P Councillor Threlfall
- P Councillor Tincknell
- P Councillor Weston
- P Councillor Windows
- P Councillor Wollacott
- A Councillor Wright

Honorary aldermen and alderwomen in attendance:

N Barton, J Clark, S Emmett, R Griffey, B Knott, A Massey, J McLaren, B Price, M Sykes and C J N Williams

18. MINUTES – ANNUAL COUNCIL – 26 MAY 2015

(agenda item 1a)

On the motion of the Lord Mayor, seconded by Councillor Watson, it was

RESOLVED:

- That the minutes of the meeting of the Annual Council held on 26 May 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Lord Mayor.

19. MINUTES – EXTRAORDINARY FULL COUNCIL – 2 JUNE 2015 (agenda item 1b)

On the motion of the Lord Mayor, seconded by Councillor Eddy, it was

RESOLVED:

- That the minutes of the meeting of the Extraordinary Full Council held on 2 June 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Lord Mayor.

20. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (agenda item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

21. LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (agenda item 3)

a. Sally Jaeckle OBE

On behalf of Full Council, the Lord Mayor congratulated Sally Jaeckle, Early Years Service Manager, People directorate on recently being awarded the OBE in recognition of her significant contribution to early years education.

b. Adrian Davis

On behalf of the Full Council, the Lord Mayor congratulated Adrian Davis (who has represented the public health team in the Council's transport division since 2008) on the recent Honorary Degree of Doctor of Business Administration awarded to him by UWE in recognition of his multidisciplinary approach and collaboration in the area of transport and health.

c. Education update

The Lord Mayor informed Full Council that, as part of the development of Bristol as a Learning City, she had agreed to host a celebration event for Headteachers and Chairs of Governors to acknowledge:

- Headteachers leaving Bristol.
- Schools that had achieved an improved Ofsted inspection outcome.
- Headteachers or Chairs of Governors who had provided support to another school.

The most recent celebration had taken place on 16 July, honouring the following schools for improved inspection outcomes:

- Bristol Gateway Special School
- Fair Furlong Primary School (gained an "Outstanding" rating)
- Henbury School

- Speedwell Nursery School (gained an "Outstanding" rating)
- St George's Primary School
- St Mary Redcliffe and Temple School (retained an "Outstanding" rating)
- Woodstock Special School

Currently, 86.4% of Bristol schools were "Good" or "Outstanding" compared to 82.9% nationally. 89% of Bristol pupils attended a "Good" or "Outstanding" school compared to 80.8% nationally.

On behalf of Full Council, the Lord Mayor congratulated the above named schools on their achievement.

d. Filwood Green Business Park

The Lord Mayor informed Full Council that Bristol's flagship green business park, off Hengrove Way in Knowle West, had been recognised as "New Building of the Year" at the recent prestigious 2Degrees Network Champions Awards ceremony in London. The 2Degrees network was the world's leading group for sustainable business with members from 177 countries. Their annual awards were an opportunity for their membership to vote directly on leading sustainable projects. The business park was leading the way in sustainable developments in the south west. It had been judged to be "outstanding" by BREEAM, the world's foremost design and assessment method for sustainable buildings.

22. PETITIONS, STATEMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

(agenda item 4)

The Lord Mayor announced that in consultation with party group leaders and whips, she had agreed that the time to be taken to receive petitions, statements and questions from members of the public at this meeting should be extended to 45 minutes.

Public petitions:

The Full Council received and noted the following petitions:

Petition ref.		Subject / petition organiser
PP 01	-	Petition - Street parking, Morris Road, Lockleaze Petition organiser - Geraldine Cormack
PP 02	-	Petition - Save Marksbury Road library Petition organiser - Ben Murch
PP 03	-	Petition - Help motorists to drive within Bristol City centre Petition organiser - James Fox

PP 04	-	Petition - A safe crossing for Wellington Hill West Petition organiser - Libby Bloor
PP 05	-	Petition - Ensure there are adequate parking facilities to serve the J3 development (Baptist Mills Court) Petition organiser - Sarah Haylett
PP 06	-	Petition – Speeding / inconsiderate driving, King Street, St George East Petition organiser – Lee Melling
PP 07	-	Petition - Fund the accessible "Let's Go! Bristol" short breaks transport scheme for children with disabilities, special educational needs and life-limiting conditions living in Bristol Petition organiser – Lou Paget

Statements:

The Full Council received and noted the following statements:

Statement ref.		Person(s) submitting statement and subject
PS 01	-	Emma Collins – Eastville Park lake – green open space
PS 02	-	Gareth Edwards – Eastville Park lake – green open space
PS 03	-	Chris Faulkner Gibson – Eastville Park lake – green open space
PS 04	-	Martin Garrett – Connectivity and the Henbury loop
PS 05	-	Stacey Hale – South Purdown sports field development
PS 06	-	Francesca Arnold-Habani & Mohamed Habani – Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
PS 07	-	Jo Priest – Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
PS 08	-	Sarah Haylett – Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
PS 09	-	David Walwin – South Purdown sports field development
PS 10	-	David Redgewell & others – Henbury stub
PS 11	-	John Dixon & others – Avonmouth station
PS 12	-	Terry Hicks – Wick Road library
PS 13	-	Hannah Crudgington – Easton – litter & fly tipping
PS 14	-	Steve Woods – Easton – litter & fly tipping

- PS 15 Bethan Carr Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
- PS 16 Sophie Bellil Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
- PS 17 Steve Hawkins Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
- PS 18 Jane Charlton South Purdown sports field development
- PS 19 Susan Flint South Purdown sports field development
- PS 20 Phil Beach Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
- PS 21 Ella Davies Sea Mills library
- PS 22 Jos Clark Save Wick Road library
- PS 23 Rosanne Carwardine Proposed closure of libraries
- PS 24 Karen White Libraries consultation & Westbury-on Trym library campaign
- PS 25 Coo Geller South Purdown sports field development
- PS 26 Graham Shaul Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
- PS 27 Colleen Quinn Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
- PS 28 Rita Lynch Bush residential unit for disabled children
- PS 29 Rodney North & Alderman Royston Griffey Mayor's decision to dispose of the freehold of the docks estate
- PS 30 Karin Smyth MP Closure of Hawkspring
- PS 31 Dawn Jones Bush residential unit for disabled children
- PS 32 James Doyle-Davidson Parking at J3 development, Baptist Mills Court
- PS 33 Ornella Saibene Bush residential unit for disabled children

Statements were presented by individuals who were present at the meeting (under the direction of the Lord Mayor, all subject areas were covered within the time available).

Questions:

The Full Council noted that the following questions had been received:

PQ 01 - Question to the Mayor – South Purdown sports field development Question from Stacey Hale

- PQ 02 Question to the Mayor Parking J3 development, Baptist Mills Court Question from Sarah Haylett
- PQ 03 Question to the Mayor Parking J3 development, Baptist Mills Court Question from Jo Priest
- PQ 04 Question to the Mayor Parking J3 development, Baptist Mills Court Question from Kassin Yakhlef
- PQ 05 Question to the Mayor Wick Road library Question from Denise Priddy
- PQ 06 Question to the Mayor Wick Road library Question from Samantha Hayes
- PQ 07 Question to the Mayor Wick Road library Question from David Cobbin
- PQ 08 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Coo Geller
- PQ 09 Question to the Mayor Bristol Fairness Commission recommendations Question from Paul Wheeler
- PQ 10 Question to the Mayor Parking J3 development, Baptist Mills Court Question from Graham Shaul
- PQ 11 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from David Jepson
- PQ 12 Question to the Mayor Parking J3 development, Baptist Mills Court Question from Bethan Carr
- PQ 13 Question to the Mayor Waste services Question from Christian Martin
- PQ 14 Question to the Mayor Parking J3 development, Baptist Mills Court Question from Phil Beach
- PQ 15 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Ian Walton Larner
- PQ 16 Question to the Mayor Wick Road library Question from Alan & Rose Thompson
- PQ 17 Question to the Mayor Residents parking schemes Question from Michael Owen
- PQ 18 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Emily Shimell

- PQ 19 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Peter Chalk
- PQ 20 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from James Smith
- PQ 21 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Jane Charlton
- PQ 22 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Susan Flint
- PQ 23 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Debbora Hall
- PQ 24 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Jane Sherborne
- PQ 25 Question to the Mayor Ilminster Avenue road safety scheme Question from Leon McMeechan
- PQ 26 Question to the Mayor Resident parking scheme permits Question from Robert Duxbury
- PQ 27 Question to the Mayor The proposed sale of the Bristol docks estate Question from Alderman Royston Griffey
- PQ 28 Question to the Mayor Motion A on Council agenda (Parking provision for the Bristol Arena and central area) and on the specific point about the necessity of car use in the city, particularly for disabled drivers Question from Daph Muir
- PQ 29 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Mark Revill
- PQ 30 Question to the Mayor South Purdown sports field development Question from Anita Bennett
- PQ 31 Question to the Mayor Bristol East swimming pool Question from Ian Townsend
- PQ 32 Question to the Mayor Bristol Energy Company Question from Mark Pepper

Within the time available, in light of the fact that the Mayor had given his apologies and was unable to attend this particular meeting, verbal responses (including verbal responses to supplementary questions) were given by the Deputy Mayor or relevant Assistant Mayor as follows:

Councillor Cook (Assistant Mayor for Place) responded to questions PQ 01, PQ 08, PQ 11, PQ 15, PQ 18, PQ 19, PQ 20, PQ 21, PQ 22, PQ 23, PQ 24, PQ 29

and PQ 30 on the subject of South Purdown sports field development.

- Councillor Cook (Assistant Mayor for Place) responded to questions PQ 02, PQ 03, PQ 04, PQ 10, PQ 12, and PQ 14 on the subject of Parking J3 development, Baptist Mills Court.
- Councillor Radice (Assistant Mayor for Neighbourhoods) responded to questions PQ 05, PQ 06, PQ 07, and PQ 16 on the subject of Wick Road library.
- Councillor Gollop (Deputy Mayor) responded to question PQ 09 on the subject of Bristol Fairness Commission recommendations.
- Councillor Cook (Assistant Mayor for Place) responded to question PQ 25 on the subject of Ilminster Avenue road safety scheme.

23. ADJOURNMENT

The Lord Mayor proposed that Council adjourn for 20 minutes for refreshments. It was then

RESOLVED:

- That the Full Council adjourn for 20 minutes for refreshments and then reconvene.

24. PETITIONS NOTIFIED BY COUNCILLORS

(agenda item 4)

The Full Council received and noted the following petitions:

Petition ref.	,	Subject / councillor presenting petition
CP 01	-	Noise pollution along the M32 - presented by Councillor Threlfall
CP 02	-	Develop a plan for community ownership of public transport - presented by Rob Telford
CP 03	-	Access to library services in Lockleaze - presented by Councillor Tincknell
CP 04	-	Save Sea Mills library services - presented by Councillor Leaman
CP 05	-	Save our libraries - presented by Councillor Weston

CP 06 - Redland library - presented by Councillor Negus

25. PETITION – WICK ROAD LIBRARY, BRISLINGTON

(agenda item 6)

The Full Council considered a report of the Service Director – Legal and Democratic Services setting out details of this petition, which had reached the threshold (3,500 signatures from people who live, work or study in Bristol) for a Full Council debate.

At the invitation of the Lord Mayor, Val Cobbin (the petition organiser) addressed the Full Council, highlighting the objectives of the petition.

In light of the fact that the Mayor had given his apologies and was unable to attend this particular meeting, Cllr Radice (Assistant Mayor for Neighbourhoods) made a statement providing an update on the position regarding the libraries review (further to the news release that had been issued by the Council on 17 July).

The Full Council then debated the petition.

Following the debate, it was:

RESOLVED:

- That the petition be referred to the Mayor and to the Assistant Mayor - Neighbourhoods for their consideration and response.

26. LICENSING ACT 2003 – DETERMINATION OF LICENSING POLICY (agenda item 7)

The Full Council considered a report from the Strategic Director – Neighbourhoods asking Council to determine its policy with regard to the exercise of its licensing functions in respect of a period of 5 years beginning on 1 August 2015.

Cllr Jama moved the report and the recommendations set out therein.

Councillor Hance seconded the motion.

Following debate, upon being put to the vote, the motion was CARRIED and it was

RESOLVED (note: one member, Councillor Negus, voted against):

- That having consulted upon its proposed policy for the 5 year period from 2015 - 2020, and having had regard to the guidance issued by the

Secretary of State under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, the Council, as the licensing authority for Bristol resolves:

- 1. To determine its policy (as annexed as Appendix 1 to the report) with respect to the exercise of its licensing functions in respect of a period of 5 years, beginning on 1 August 2015.
- 2. To direct that this policy be published on the Council's web pages before that date.

27. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE 2014-15 (agenda item 8)

The Full Council considered the annual report of the Audit Committee 2014-15.

Cllr Brain moved the report and the recommendations set out therein.

Councillor Alexander seconded the motion.

Following debate, upon being put to the vote, the motion was CARRIED and it was

RESOLVED:

- That the annual report of the Audit Committee set out at Appendix A be accepted, and that the assurances provided in the report be noted.

28. INTEGRATED PUBLIC TRANSPORT – PLACE SCRUTINY INQUIRY DAY RECOMMENDATIONS (INQUIRY DAY HELD ON 5 MARCH 2015) (agenda item 9)

The Full Council considered a report from the Place Scrutiny Commission highlighting the recommendations and actions arising from this inquiry day.

Councillor Hiscott moved the report and the recommendations set out therein.

Councillor Bolton seconded the motion.

Following debate, upon being put to the vote, the recommendations were CARRIED, and it was

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the recommendations from the inquiry day (Appendix A) be noted.
- 2. That the proposed officer action plan (Appendix B), suggesting how each of the inquiry day report recommendations could be addressed, be noted.

29. MOTIONS

(agenda item 10)

The Full Council considered the following motion:

a. Parking provision for the Bristol Arena and central area:

Councillor Weston moved the following motion:

"Council is concerned over the lack of parking provision currently planned for the new concert arena and conference centre. This failure is likely to significantly impact on the commercial viability of this venue and end up contributing to the already chronic problems experienced in this area of traffic congestion.

Furthermore, successive Administrations of differing political hues, through the adoption and adherence to the Bristol Central Area Plan have pursued a strategy of systematically reducing parking spaces in this part of the City. This has been accomplished, in part, by the implementation of residents parking zones and expansion of central Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ).

Council acknowledges that a policy of converting or building increasing amounts of residential accommodation in the heart of Bristol can only exacerbate the trend to reduce or remove on-street parking capacity for those who have to drive for work, business or leisure purposes. Council fears that if this pattern continues unchecked, it will adversely affect our long term economic competitiveness and interests.

Accordingly, Council calls on Mayor Ferguson and his officers to work with Members of the Place Scrutiny Commission to identify sites where significant additional parking places could be accommodated, and report back with their recommendations on how this can best be secured. Such a move would not only be a fairer deal for the motorist, it would clearly recognise the reality for most people, that the car is still a necessity for travelling into and around our City."

Councillor Hiscott seconded the motion.

A proposed amendment to the motion from Councillor Davies had been circulated to councillors. Councillor Davies advised, however, that he wished to withdraw his proposed amendment.

Councillor Mongon then moved the following amendment to the motion:

"That the motion be amended to read as follows:

⁶Council is concerned over the lack of parking provision and public transport arrangements currently planned for the new concert arena and conference centre. This failure is likely to significantly impact on the quality of life of local residents, the commercial viability of the venue and end up contributing to the already chronic problems experienced in this area of traffic congestion. Accordingly, Council calls on Mayor Ferguson and his officers to work with Members of the OSMB Scrutiny Commission to:

- Identify sites where significant additional parking places could be accommodated, including park and ride, and report back with their recommendations on how this can best be secured.
- Reveal the criteria used to undertake the transport surveys and research used to develop the transport plan for the Arena.
- Identify road and pavement improvements required around the site in order to encourage pedestrian and cycling to the venue and ease any related traffic congestion from Arena users; particularly the footpaths and cycle lanes on Wells Road and Bath Road.
- Develop proposals with local communities that will ensure on-street parking in residential areas isn't affected by Arena users, without residents being financially liable for their implementation and running.
- Publish any research undertaken or evidence gathered into the potential impact on noise and air quality from the Arena and related traffic.' "

Councillor Davies seconded the amendment.

Following a debate, upon being to the vote, the amendment was CARRIED (46 members voting in favour, 4 against, with 1 abstention).

It was then

RESOLVED (note: 4 members voted against):

Council is concerned over the lack of parking provision and public transport arrangements currently planned for the new concert arena and conference centre. This failure is likely to significantly impact on the quality of life of local residents, the commercial viability of the venue and end up contributing to the already chronic problems experienced in this area of traffic congestion.

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related traffic congestion from Arena users; particularly the footpaths and cycle lanes on Wells Road and Bath Road.

- Develop proposals with local communities that will ensure on-street parking in residential areas isn't affected by Arena users, without residents being financially liable for their implementation and running.
- Publish any research undertaken or evidence gathered into the potential impact on noise and air quality from the Arena and related traffic.

(The meeting finished at 9.36 p.m.)

LORD MAYOR