



Tuesday, 5 October 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday, 13 October 2021 in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Foster Avenue, Beeston NG9 1AB, commencing at 7.00 pm.

Should you require advice on declaring an interest in any item on the agenda, please contact the Monitoring Officer at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ruth E Hyde'.

Chief Executive

To Councillors:	E H Atherton	L A Lally
	S A Bagshaw	P Lally
	D Bagshaw	H Land
	L A Ball BEM	R D MacRae (Mayor)
	M Brown	G Marshall
	B C Carr	J W McGrath
	S J Carr	P J Owen
	M J Crow	J M Owen
	E Cubley	J P T Parker
	T A Cullen	S Paterson
	S Dannheimer	J C Patrick
	S Easom	D D Pringle
	L Fletcher	M Radulovic MBE
	J C Goold	P Roberts-Thomson
	D Grindell	R S Robinson
	T Hallam	P D Simpson
	M Handley	H E Skinner
	M Hannah	C M Tideswell
	R I Jackson	I L Tyler
	E Kerry	D K Watts
	S Kerry	E Williamson
	H G Khaled MBE	R D Willimott

A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies and to be notified of the attendance of substitutes.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interest in any item on the agenda.

3. MINUTES

(Pages 5 - 14)

The Committee is asked to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21 July 2021.

4. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

6. LEADER'S REPORT

7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

8. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

9. MEMBERS' SPEECHES ON WARD ISSUES

10. QUESTIONS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

11. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

Councillor M Handley has advised that she has ceased representing the Conservative Group and intends to sit as an independent member of the Council. There will be an effect on the composition of committees of the Council for the purposes of proportionality. Therefore, the Council is asked to make appointments in accordance with the schedule to be laid before the meeting.

12. DECISIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS (Pages 15 - 46)

To note the decisions made by the Council's Committees.

13. CHANGES TO GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS (Pages 47 - 48)

To consider a proposal to change the Council's system of governance.

14. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

15. LAND SALE ADJACENT TO THE CREMATORIUM SITE (Pages 49 - 52)

Policy and Performance Committee
30 September 2021

The item was considered at the Policy and Performance Committee on 30 September 2021 whereat, it was resolved that the report be recommended to Full Council with the amendment to include the Group Leaders in the consultation process. The amended recommendation is as follows:

RECOMMENDED to Full Council that:

- 1. The surplus land at the Crematorium be sold to the developer as a private treaty disposal in line with the Council's land disposal policy and**
- 2. A delegation be made to Broxtowe's Deputy Chief Executive and s.151 officer, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Bramcote Bereavement Services Joint Committee and the Group Leaders, to progress all key approvals relating to the subsequent sale of the land.**

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COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 21 JULY 2021

Present: Councillor R D MacRae, Mayor

Councillors: D Bagshaw
M Brown
M J Crow
E Cubley
T A Cullen
S Dannheimer
S Easom
L Fletcher
J C Goold
D Grindell
T Hallam
M Hannah
R I Jackson
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E Williamson
R D Willimott

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E H Atherton, S A Bagshaw, L A Ball BEM, B C Carr, S J Carr, M Handley, H G Khaled MBE, L A Lally, P Lally and R S Robinson

11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor R I Jackson declared a non-pecuniary interest with being a Committee member on the Bramcote Bereavement Services agenda item 15.1, minute item 28.1 refers.

12 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2021 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

It was noted that Councillor M J Crow had replaced Councillor P D Simpson as Deputy Leader of the Opposition.

13 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor gave a resume of his engagements. He had attended thirty official engagements since May including the launch of the Beeston Art Trail, a golden wedding anniversary and had raised two flags for the Armed Forces Day.

Future events that were being planned for the Mayors chosen charity, Broxtowe Youth Homelessness, included a charity bike ride to coincide with Big Green Week and community celebration with readings, prayers, poems, music and songs.

The Mayor was saddened to inform the meeting of the recent death of ex-Councillor Joan Briggs. There was a minute's silence to remember her by. Many tributes were read out and a suggestion of a blue plaque around Beeston and a request for the Council to plant a tree in memory of her.

14 PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

There were no petitions presented.

15 LEADER'S REPORT

The Leader updated Councillors on relevant matters of interest and stated that currently, limited Council services were being affected by rising numbers of employees that had to self-isolate due to COVID-19. Some refuse collection services had been delayed and this was having a negative impact on standards of delivery. The Leader had received many calls from businesses within Broxtowe expressing concern how they could continue to run their business under the current self-isolation system. The Leader met with the Leader of the County Council to urge him to pass onto Government concerns about business continuity and the need for exceptions to be made to self-isolation for double vaccinated staff in critical front line roles. A letter had been sent to Darren Henry MP and Lee Anderson MP requesting that contact be made with the Treasurer and Secretary of State of Government to support businesses who were following the self-isolation rules. A response had been received from Darren Henry MP that he had written to the Secretary of State for additional grants to be made available to Broxtowe to enable to assist with supporting businesses whilst they were still facing self-isolation of staff and affecting them financially.

With the rising rates of COVID infection the Leader was satisfied the plans for ensuring the safety and wellbeing of the employees was being undertaken with hybrid and flexible working.

The Leader was delighted that the Council had taken positive steps to ensure poorer families had access to affordable food. He highlighted the food clubs that would be running over the Summer period.

Another scheme that had been worked in partnership to access funding was the Holiday Activity fund. The programme would be run for 5 to 16 year olds who are eligible for free school meals. Sessions would run throughout August.

The Leader had attended both Kimberley and Eastwood tasks and finish groups to discuss the Levelling-up bids. The groups were currently considering the results of the local consultation and debating proposals that were deliverable and consistent with both the needs of the communities and local people's views and wishes.

Discussions had been held with the County Council Leader with opportunities, through devolution and the levelling up white paper, for Broxtowe to obtain the much needed additional funding for the East Midlands area including continuing the fight for the certainty for the HS2 station at Toton to enable to progress with the ambitions for EMDevco.

Updates were provided around the Greater Nottingham Joint Planning Advisory Board and the uptake of units associated around the new cinema development in Beeston.

The Secretary of State had visited Barton Quarter, the new housing development in Chilwell. It was described as an outstanding example of high quality design and showed what the planning system can deliver when developers and planners work well together. An application of 622 new homes would be submitted shortly to be constructed as part of the enterprise zone within Beeston. The scheme was intended to be a beacon of modular construction.

The year-end outturn had shown that the Council had been able to weather the worst of the pandemic without imperilling the financial stability. The Leader thanked Officers and Members for their support.

16 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

17 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

17.1 THE FOLLOWING QUESTION WAS SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR G MARSHALL FOR THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL:

"Does the Leader of the Council agree with me that the recent government announcement to axe the £20 uplift in Universal Credit will impact on the most vulnerable in our society. Therefore, will the Leader write to the Secretary of State stating our opposition to such a move and insist that the uplift be permanently retained".

The Leader replied by stating how many claimants were currently receiving Universal Credit and how many had arrears. Staff had received training and were being proactive to help and support claimants. It was predicted 800,000 people would lose their jobs in retail and hospitality by the end of the year also. Axing the £20.00 a week Universal Credit was causing a worry to claimants. He stated that he would write a letter to the Secretary of State to ask to reconsider axing the £20.00 a week Universal Credit. Removing it was unnecessary and unsustainable for local families. Figures on debts currently indicated the £20.00 a week cut would increase rent arrears and this would fall to the Public Sector.

A Supplementary Question was asked by Councillor G Marshall:

“Does the Leader agree that we should also write to the Secretary of State highlighting the dismay of the Discretionary Housing Payment allocation decision and demand to reinstate to pass levels in order to protect the most vulnerable in our Communities?”

The Leader replied that the Discretionary Housing Payment allocation for 2021/22 had been the lowest he had known. £88,000 had already been allocated for this year leaving only £11,000 for the remainder of the year. It was the life blood for families and communities in greatest need. He hoped that Councillor R I Jackson and S J Carr would co-sign the letter to Darren Henry MP, Lee Anderson MP and the Secretary of State to restore Broxtowe’s Discretionary Housing Payment to a level of dignity to provide people with greatest needs with the life- blood not just to exist but to live also.

18 MEMBERS' SPEECHES ON WARD ISSUES

18.1 SPEECH BY COUNCILLOR P J OWEN

Councillor P J Owen raised the ongoing issue with the ability to get in touch with the Council by telephone. He had a request from a constituent to raise this issue in a public forum. His constituents had stated that they had tried multiple times to get through and one resident had spent over two hours waiting for the call to be answered. Councillor P J Owen said this Council should offer a full and unreserved apology to the residents of the Borough for the failures of systems we have in place to allow them to contact the Council.

In response the Leader of the Council offered his sincerest apology. He gave reasons why for example staff self-isolating and operating from home. However, said improvements would be made with a replacement telephony system operating by the end of August 2021 with the integration of the systems into Microsoft Teams and replacement of the switchboard within the Contact Centre by the end of the year. Officers had been dealing with a high volume of calls and would be working with service areas to provide solutions. He agreed it was common courtesy to answer the phone. The Leader would be visiting officers face-to-face to ensure immediate improvement.

19 QUESTIONS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

There were no questions on outside bodies.

20 DECISIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

There were no questions on the decisions from Committee meetings.

21 NOTICE OF MOTIONS

21.1 THE FOLLOWING MOTION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE JOINT GROUP:

The following Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor T Hallam and Seconded by Councillor M Radulovic MBE

“ Broxtowe Borough Council notes:

- 1) That Broxtowe is a distinct community and not simply an extension of Nottingham;
- 2) That considerable work has been put in by many people to creating the community feel of the borough
- 3) That Broxtowe has never been one constituency for parliamentary purposes since the constituencies were redrawn in the 1970's
- 4) That the Boundary Commission is required to work independently and not to seek to favour any political party in its recommendations.
- 5) That the Boundary Commission are required by law to propose new constituency boundaries to ensure that all constituencies have between a certain minimum and maximum number of voters
- 6) That the Borough of Broxtowe is too large as a whole to constitute one constituency as it would exceed the maximum number of voters permitted in the latest review
- 7) That in their latest proposals the Boundary Commission propose removing Eastwood and Brinsley from the Ashfield Constituency and placing them in the Broxtowe Constituency
- 8) That the Boundary Commission also propose removing Kimberley and Nuthall from the Broxtowe Constituency and placing them in Nottingham North.

Broxtowe Borough Council further notes:

- 9) That the MP for Broxtowe has proposed an alternative arrangement whereby Kimberley and Nuthall are retained in the Broxtowe Constituency and that parts of Beeston are placed into the Nottingham South constituency.

Broxtowe Borough Council regrets that the rules on constituency size mean that it is unavoidable that part of Broxtowe Borough will not be in the Broxtowe Constituency.

Broxtowe Borough Council believes:

- 1) That each of Nuthall, Kimberley and Beeston are distinct communities in their own right, and that the boundaries of these are well understood.
- 2) That residents in Beeston do not see themselves simply as a part of Nottingham, but rather as residents of Beeston.

- 3) That as the whole of Broxtowe cannot form one Parliamentary Constituency it is preferable for entire communities to be in the same constituency.

Broxtowe Borough Council therefore resolves to write to the Boundary Commission indicating support in principle for the proposed changes to the Broxtowe Constituency boundaries that they have proposed, and also to express our opposition to any alternative proposal which would result in Beeston being split into two for parliamentary purposes.”

Members debated the motion and Councillor P J Owen called for a recorded vote, which was seconded by at least five other Councillors. The Voting was as follows.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstention</u>
D Bagshaw	M Brown	
T A Cullen	M J Crow	
S Dannheimer	E Cubley	
D Grindell	S Easom	
T Hallam	L Fletcher	
M Hannah	J C Goold	
H Land	R I Jackson	
R D Macrae	E Kerry	
G Marshall	S Kerry	
J W McGrath	J M Owen	
S Paterson	P J Owen	
J C Patrick	J Parker	
M Radulovic MBE	D Pringle	
H E Skinner	T Roberts-Thomson	
C M Tideswell	P D Simpson	
I L Tyler	R D Willimott	
D K Watts		
E Williamson		

On being put to the meeting, the motion was carried.

21.2 THE FOLLOWING MOTION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE JOINT GROUP:

The following Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor D K Watts and seconded by Councillor G Marshall.

“Broxtowe Borough Council notes:

- 1) That the council declared a climate emergency in 2019
- 2) That as part of the response to the climate emergency the council is committed to reducing its carbon footprint
- 3) That it is now fully recognised that vehicles powered by the internal combustion engine are a significant source of greenhouse gases, and domestic car use is a significant contributor to this
- 4) To tackle climate change it is important that there is an efficient and accessible public transport alternative that people can be encouraged to switch to.
- 5) That in February 2019 the franchise to operate the Midland Mainline rail area was awarded to East Midlands Railway, a company owned by Abellio, who began operating in August 2019.

- 6) That Abellio were the operators of the ScotRail franchise which ended early because of poor performance on their behalf.
- 7) That an Emergency Measures Agreement (“EMA”) between the Secretary of State for Transport and Abellio was entered into on 30th March 2020. This EMA commits the operator to seek “to ensure that, as far as possible, operational performance and the provision of Passenger Services is maintained” during the Covid-19
- 8) That East Midlands Railways have encountered problems with older parts of their fleet no longer able to be used because of the lack of disabled facilities on board.
- 9) That since a new timetable was introduced early in 2021 there have been significant difficulties with the service provided by EMR
- 10) That since 2018 the East Coast Mainline has been under public ownership following the collapse of the franchise arrangement for that line.

Broxtowe Borough Council therefore notes with regret:

- 1) The decision of East Midlands Railways to remove 54 services stopping at Beeston each day from its revised timetable, including a significant reduction in the number of services between Beeston and Nottingham and the complete withdrawal of the service between Beeston, Attenborough and Matlock.
- 2) That although these changes are described by EMR as temporary they have given no indication of any date by which they will be brought to an end.
- 3) That these changes will inevitably lead to a modal shift in transport usage and will lead to a significant growth in journeys by private car.
- 4) That this increase in car usage will have a detrimental impact on the efforts of the council and other bodies to reduce carbon emissions and achieve the targets set out in the Green Futures programme;
- 5) That the reduction in services will cause inconvenience for residents of Beeston and Attenborough
- 6) That this decision was implemented with no consultation with passengers or local authorities and at very short notice.

Broxtowe Borough Council does not believe:

- 1) That the difficulties encountered by EMR justify the extreme reduction in services through Beeston and Attenborough that has been implemented.
- 2) That the cuts to services are in compliance with either the wording or the spirit of the EMA.

Broxtowe Borough Council therefore calls on East Midlands Railways to reverse these cuts to its service as a matter of urgency, and to commit immediately to a deadline for doing so.

Broxtowe Borough Council further calls on the Secretary of State for Transport to actively review the performance of East Midlands Railways and to consider the early termination of their franchise and returning their services to public ownership and operation.”

On being put to the meeting the motion was carried.

21.3 THE FOLLOWING MOTION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE LIBERAL DEMOCRAT GROUP:

The following Notice of Motion had been received from Councillor H Land and seconded by Councillor T A Cullen.

“This Council notes that:

- a) The government have now published the Electoral Integrity Bill;
- b) This bill contains provisions to require voter ID;
- c) There is no evidence that there is any problem in the United Kingdom with voter impersonation;
- d) Research in 2015 by the Electoral Commission found that 7.5% of the electorate (3.5 million people) did not have access to photo ID.
- e) The Electoral Commission’s 2021 winter tracker found that more disadvantaged groups are more likely to not have ID, including the unemployed (11%), those renting from a local authority (13%) or housing association (12%), as well as disabled people (8%). The government’s commissioned research found that older voters (aged 85+) were less likely than those in younger groups to have ID that was recognisable (91% compared to 95%–98%). It also found that those with severely limiting disabilities, the unemployed, people without qualifications, and those who had never voted before were all less likely to hold any form of photo ID.
- f) In the 2019 local elections where Broxtowe was a pilot area showed that 231 Broxtowe residents were turned away from polling stations for not having the correct ID, and that of these 69 people failed to return later. If this was replicated across each of the 363 district or unitary council areas in Great Britain this would mean that 83,853 people would be turned away at the polling stations and of these 25,047 people would not return to vote.
- g) These figures do not include people who did not attempt to vote because they did not have the right ID or those who left after talking to party tellers before entering the polling station.
- h) That research by the cabinet office showed that implementing full voter ID across the country was likely to cost up to £20million per general election;
- i) That requiring voters to produce ID is likely to act as a method of voter suppression;
- j) The Conservative MP David Davis said that “Voter ID will potentially disenfranchise thousands of people. It is an illogical and illiberal solution to a non-existent problem.”

This Council calls on the government to abandon proposals to introduce voter ID and calls on both our MP’s to vote against these proposals.”

Members debated the motion and Councillor J Parker called for a recorded vote, which was seconded by at least five other Councillors. The voting was as follows:

For
D Bagshaw
T A Cullen

Against
M Brown
M J Crow

Abstention
L Fletcher

S Dannheimer	E Cubley
D Grindell	S Easom
T Hallam	J C Goold
M Hannah	R I Jackson
H Land	E Kerry
R D Macrae	S Kerry
G Marshall	J M Owen
J W McGrath	P J Owen
S Paterson	J Parker
J C Patrick	D Pringle
M Radulovic MBE	T Roberts-Thomson
H E Skinner	P D Simpson
C M Tideswell	R D Willimott
I L Tyler	
D K Watts	
E Williamson	

On being put to the meeting the motion was carried.

21.4 THE FOLLOWING MOTION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM COUNCILLOR M RADULOVIC MBE:

The following Notice of Motion had been received from Councillor M Radulovic MBE and seconded by Councillor R I Jackson.

“This Council is greatly concerned at the proposals in the White Paper to introduce ‘zoning’ and to reduce or remove the role of planning applications in the planning system. This would unacceptably reduce or remove the scope for local planning authorities to assess detailed applications on their merits. It would also unacceptably reduce the involvement of local residents and communities in the planning process and remove their right to object to specific applications. The Council strongly urges the Secretary of State to reconsider these proposals.”

Members supported this motion with the inclusion of the minor amendment to include Darren Henry MP and Lee Anderson MP in the letter to reconsider the proposals to the Secretary of State.

On being put to the meeting the motion was carried.

22 AWSWORTH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Councillors were asked to seek the resolution to ‘make’ (adopt) the Awsworth Neighbourhood Plan, following a successful referendum result on 10 June 2021.

The referendum asked the question: ‘Do you want Broxtowe Borough Council to use the Neighbourhood plan for Awsworth to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?’ the number of votes cast in favour were 401 and those in favour of no was 57. The turnout was 27.6%

Section 38A (4) (a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) requires the Council to 'make' (adopt) the Awsworth Neighbourhood Plan when more than half of those voting had voted in favour of the Plan.

RESOLVED that:

- 1. The Council 'makes' (adopts) the Awsworth Neighbourhood Plan.**
- 2. Authority be given to the Chief Executive to issue a statement setting out this decision (the 'Decision Statement')**

23 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

24 REFERENCE

24.1 PURCHASE OF AFFORDABLE HOMES AT BRAMCOTE

8 July 2021

Finance and Resources Committee

With the minor amendment to include the Leader of the Opposition and Leader of Liberal Democrats within paragraph 2, the motion was carried.

RESOLVED that:

- 1. Subject to confirmation from the Council's external accountant (GL Hearn) that the scheme can be accommodated within the HRA business plan, up to the amount contained within the report, be allocated in the HRA capital programme for 2022/23 to 2025/26 for the construction of up to an amount of rented and shared ownership homes at the site contained within the report.**
- 2. A delegation be made to the Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer, following consultation with the Chairs of Finance and Resources, Housing and Policy and Performance Committees, for all approvals relating to the purchase, financing acquisition and construction of the homes.**
- 3. A delegation be made to the Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer to agree a compliant procurement route to allow the building contract to be entered into.**

Report of the Executive Director

DECISIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1. Purpose of report

To note the decisions made by the Council's Committees.

2. Background

Decisions from Committee meetings prior to the new Council year are attached to enable questions to the Chairs of the relevant Committees. The following committee decisions are attached in the appendix:

- Finance and Resources Committee
- Governance, Audit and Standards Committee
- Housing Committee
- Community Safety Committee
- Environment and Climate Change Committee
- Leisure and Health Committee.
- Community Safety Committee
- Governance, Audit and Standards Committee
- Personnel Committee
- Policy and Performance Committee

Recommendation

Council is asked to NOTE the report.

Background papers

Nil

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4.1	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	Housing Committee	RESOLVED that an additional £724,850 be included in the 2021/22 capital programme for heating replacements and other energy efficiency works on the Council's housing stock funded from the Green Homes Grant (LAD Phase 2).
4.2	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	Jobs and Economy	RESOLVED that the inclusion of £20,000 in the 2021/22 budget for capacity funding to develop bids for the first stage of the Levelling up fund be approved.
4.3	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	Policy and Performance Committee	RESOLVED that expenditure of £30,000 be used to complete the recommissioning work in the north of the Borough and £30,000 be used to establish the client side leisure capacity be approved.
4.4	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	URGENT ITEM	RESOLVED that the addition to the 2021/22 capital programme as set out above be approved.
5.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	STAPLEFORD TOWNS DEAL FUND	RESOLVED that a supplementary revenue estimate of £66,000 be included in the 2021/22 General Fund revenue budget for costs associated with developing Full Business Cases and Assurance for the Stapleford Towns Fund and met from the Council's General Fund balance.

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6.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	BRAMCOTE LEISURE CENTRE - REPAIR OF FLAT ROOF OVER THE GYM AND ESSENTIAL LIFT REPAIRS	RESOLVED that the additions to the 2021/22 capital programme as set out above be approved.
7.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	LEVELLING UP FUND	RESOLVED that a supplementary revenue estimate of £40,000 be included in the 2021/22 General Fund revenue budget for costs associated with developing a bid to the Levelling Up Fund and met from the Council's General Fund balance be approved.
8.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	KIMBERLEY DEPOT GARAGE DOORS AND FLOOD PREVENTION	RESOLVED that the addition to the 2021/22 capital programme as set out above be approved.

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9.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS UPDATE AND OUTTURN POSITION 2020/21	<p>RESOLVED that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The accounts summary for the financial year ended 31 March 2021 subject to audit, be approved. 2. The revenue carry forward requests outlined in section 2 of appendix 1 be approved and included as supplementary revenue estimates in the 2021/22 budget. 3. The capital carry forward requests outlined in appendix 2b be approved and included as supplementary capital estimates in the 2021/22 budget.

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11.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET AMENDMENTS 2021/22	RESOLVED that the amendments to the General Fund 2021/22 revenue budget as set out in the appendix be approved.
12.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22 UPDATE	RESOLVED that the capital budget variations for 2021/22 as set out in the appendix be approved.
13.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	SECTION 106 ITPS ALLOCATIONS	RESOLVED that the additions to the 2021/22 capital programme as set out in section 4 above be approved.
14.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	HOUSING DELIVERY PLAN- PROPOSED INCREASE IN HOUSING FEASIBILITY BUDGET FOR 2021/22	RESOLVED that a further £400,000 be included in the 2021/22 capital programme for the new build housing feasibility costs.

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15.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	CITIZENS ADVICE BROXTOWE - GRANT AID 2021/22	RESOLVED that a grant of £73,750 for the Citizens Advice Broxtowe be approved.
16.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS, CHARITABLE BODIES AND INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN SPORTS, THE ARTS AND DISABILITY MATTERS 2021/22	RESOLVED that the applications be dealt with as follows: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>Rushcliffe CVS</div> <div>£7,000</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>Hope Nottingham</div> <div>£10,000</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>D H Lawrence Music Festival</div> <div>£2,500</div> </div>

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20.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED that the Work Programme be approved, subject to the addition of a report regarding the new telephone system be included.
21.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS	RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 7 and 12 of Schedule 12A of the Act.
22.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	PURCHASE OF AFFORDABLE HOMES AT BRAMCOTE	RESOLVED as per the recommendation.
24.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS	RESOLVED that the arrears in excess of £1,200 on national non-domestic rates, council tax, rents, housing/council tax benefit overpayment and sundry debtors as set out in the report be written off and to note the exercise of the Deputy Chief Executive's delegated authority under financial regulation 5.9.
25.	Finance and Resources Committee	Thursday, 8 July 2021	RENEWAL OF ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	RESOLVED that Financial Regulations are waived to allow a direct award for the Council's existing EDMS to Northgate Information Solutions Limited.

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5.	Governance, Audit and Standards Committee	Monday, 19 July 2021	REVIEW OF STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER	RESOLVED that the amendments to the Strategic Risk Register and the actions to mitigate risks as set out in appendix 2 be approved.
10.	Governance, Audit and Standards Committee	Monday, 19 July 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED that the work programme be approved subject to the addition of a report on Governance Arrangements for the Beeston Town Centre development be added to the 29 November 2021.

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4.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	DISABLED FACILITIES GRANT (DFG) POLICY	RESOLVED that the revised Disabled Facilities Grant Policy be approved.
5.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	FIT AND PROPER PERSON (F&PP) CARAVAN SITE LICENSING POLICY AND ASSOCIATED FEE	RESOLVED that the Fit and Proper Person Policy for Mobile Home Sites and the associated application fee contained within the revised Fees Policy be approved.
6.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	PET POLICY	RESOLVED that the updated Pets Policy be approved.
7.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	GENERAL NEEDS SERVICE CHARGES CONSULTATION	RESOLVED that consultation be completed with all general needs tenants in regards to introducing service charges from April 2022.
8.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	HOUSING REPAIRS POLICY	RESOLVED that the revised Housing Repairs Policy, with some minor amendments to wording, be approved.

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9.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	TENURE POLICY	RESOLVED that the reviewed Tenure Policy, with a minor amendment to wording, be approved.
10.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	LEASEHOLDER ENTRANCE DOORS IN HRA-OWNED FLATS	RESOLVED that the spending of existing approved HRA budgets on replacing leaseholder entrance doors and, in some case, windows be approved.
11.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	DISCHARGE OF HOMELESSNESS DUTY INTO PRIVATE RENTED SECTOR POLICY	RESOLVED that the updated Discharge of Local Authority Homeless Duty into the Private Sector Policy be approved.
12.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	TENANTS CONTENTS INSURANCE SCHEME UPDATE	RESOLVED that the changes being made to the tenant's contents insurance scheme be approved, with effect from 1 April 2022.

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16.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED that the Work Programme be approved with the addition of the Well for Work project.
17.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS	RESOLVED that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.
18.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	INDEPENDENT LIVING STOCK OPTIONS	RESOLVED that the proposed changes to the Independent Living schemes be approved.
19.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	AIDS AND ADAPTATIONS CASE	RESOLVED that the aids and adaptations works detailed in the appendix be approved.

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20.	Housing Committee	Wednesday, 8 September 2021	PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THE PUB SITE, CHILWELL	RESOLVED that <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) A planning application be made to demolish the pub site, 2) A delegation be made to the Deputy Chief Executive, following consultation with the Chair of Housing and Vice Chair, to progress all key approvals relating to the subsequent demolition of the pub if planning permission is secured, 3) A consultation exercise be undertaken to seek local resident's views on the proposed redevelopment plans, 4) A delegation be made to the Deputy Chief Executive, following consultation with the Chair of Housing, to agree the mix of the new housing and to submit a planning application for the development of new housing on the site.

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3.	Community Safety Committee	Thursday, 9 September 2021	MINUTES	The minutes were confirmed and signed as a correct record.
8.	Community Safety Committee	Thursday, 9 September 2021	MODERN SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING STATEMENT	RESOLVE that the Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement 2021-22, with a minor amendment, be approved.
14.	Community Safety Committee	Thursday, 9 September 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED that the Work Programme, as amended, be approved.
16.	Community Safety Committee	Thursday, 9 September 2021	STAPLEFORD ACTION PLAN APPENDICES	RESOLVED that the Bicycle Theft Prevention Plan be added to the Work Programme for the next meeting.

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4	Environment and Climate Change Committee	Monday, 13 September 2021	GRASS CUTTING IN CEMETERIES	The Committee considered the revised grass cutting proposals. However, on being put to the vote the revisions were defeated.
5	Environment and Climate Change Committee	Monday, 13 September 2021	USE OF GLYPHOSATE	RESOLVED that the changes to reduce the use of Glyphosate as detailed in the report and then review the situation in 12 months be approved.
6	Environment and Climate Change Committee	Monday, 13 September 2021	INTERIM WASTE STRATEGY	RESOLVED that the Interim Waste Strategy including the vision be approved.
14	Environment and Climate Change Committee	Monday, 13 September 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED the work programme be approved with the additional items of Grass Cutting in Cemeteries and the use of Wind Scooters in the Borough be added.

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16	Environment and Climate Change Committee	Monday, 13 September 2021	CLIMATE CHANGE AND GREEN FUTURES PROGRAMME STRAND 15 UPDATE- HOSPITALITY AND SUPPORT SERVICES	RESOLVED that the item be deferred to a future meeting.

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3.	Leisure and Health Committee	Wednesday, 15 September 2021	MINUTES	The minutes were confirmed and signed as a correct record.
5.	Leisure and Health Committee	Wednesday, 15 September 2021	UPDATED ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY COVENANT ACTION PLAN 2021/23	Committee is asked to RESOLVE that the new Armed Forces Community Covenant Action Plan 2021/23 be approved and to NOTE progress.
6.	Leisure and Health Committee	Wednesday, 15 September 2021	VOLUNTARY SECTOR COMPACT	The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that the adoption of the Compact on behalf of the Council be approved.
7.	Leisure and Health Committee	Wednesday, 15 September 2021	THE POLICY, SUPPLY AND PROVISION OF CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS	The Committee is asked to: 1. NOTE the report 2. CONSIDER whether it should receive detailed reports on options for future years and RESOLVE accordingly.
8.	Leisure and Health Committee	Wednesday, 15 September 2021	PREVENTION CONCORDAT FOR BETTER MENTAL HEALTH FOR ALL	The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that the adoption of the Compact on behalf of the Council be approved.

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13.	Leisure and Health Committee	Wednesday, 15 September 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	The Committee is asked to CONSIDER the Work Programme and RESOLVE accordingly.

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3.	Community Safety Committee	Thursday, 16 September 2021	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS	RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.
4.	Community Safety Committee	Thursday, 16 September 2021	SURVEILLANCE CAMERA REVIEW	RESOLVED that the recommendations contained within the report be approved.

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4.	Governance, Audit and Standards Committee	Monday, 20 September 2021	EXTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE 2020/21	The Committee NOTED the report.
5.	Governance, Audit and Standards Committee	Monday, 20 September 2021	REVIEW OF STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER	RESOLVED that the amendments to the Strategic Risk Register and the actions to mitigate risks as set out in appendix 2 be approved.
6.	Governance, Audit and Standards Committee	Monday, 20 September 2021	INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT	The Committee NOTED the report.
7.	Governance, Audit and Standards Committee	Monday, 20 September 2021	ANNUAL COUNTER FRAUD REPORT	The Committee NOTED the report.
8.	Governance, Audit and Standards Committee	Monday, 20 September 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED that the Work Programme be approved.

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4.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	DISABLED FACILITIES GRANT STAFFING	RESOLVED that: 1. The permanent appointment of the temporary Grants Case Worker (0.6 FTE) be approved. 2. The appointment of a second Grants Officer be approved.
5.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	UPDATE ON THE ACTION PLAN FOR THE WELLBEING OF EMPLOYEE MENTAL HEALTH	The Committee NOTED the report.
6.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY UPDATE	The Committee NOTED the report.
7.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT -REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN PROGRESS-SUPPORT SERVICES - HUMAN RESOURCES-	The Committee NOTED the report.

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8.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED that the Work Programme be approved subject the addition of the Job Evaluation scheme, Agency Staff cost and Staff running cost be added to the Work Programme.
9.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS	RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.
10.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	Employment Matters	RESOLVED as per the recommendation.
11.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	APPLICATION FOR VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY/ RESTRUCTUR E OF HR SERVICE	RESOLVED that: 1. The request for voluntary redundancy be approved. 2. The HR restructure be approved.
12.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	USE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S URGENCY POWERS TO APPLY A	The Committee NOTED the report.

			MARKET SUPPLEMENT AND CONVERT FOUR AGENCY ROLES TO TEMPORARY POSTS.	
13.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	REVIEW OF SENIOR MANAGER POSTS	RESOLVED that the proposed re-evaluation of the senior managers' roles as detailed within the report be approved subject to the removal and separate review of the Monitoring Officer role.
14.	Personnel Committee	Tuesday, 28 September 2021	USE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S URGENCY POWERS TO GRANT VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY	The Committee NOTED the report.

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3.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	MINUTES	APPROVED
4.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	CORPORATE DEBT POLICY	RESOLVED that the implementation of the updated Corporate Debt Policy be approved.
5.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	BEESTON TOWN CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT	RESOLVED to continue to delegate to the Deputy Chief Executive all key approvals, in consultation with the cross-party project board, and subject to the overall project cost remaining within the financial limits already set or subsequently changed by the Finance and Resources Committee and/or Full Council as appropriate.
7.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	UPDATE ON AGREEMENTS FOR A NEW PARK BISTRO AT LONG LANE ATTENBOROUGH	The report was NOTED.
8.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	REVIEW OF CORPORATE PLAN PROGRESS AND FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE	The report was NOTED.

9.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED with the additional item of Kimberley Leisure Centre to be added to the work programme.
10.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS	RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.
11.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	CHILWELL QUARRY	RESOLVED to enter into detailed discussions with ward member and local residents, with the initial priority being the creation of an inspection path to monitor the sides and ensure safety.
12.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	LAND SALE ADJACENT TO THE CREMATORIUM SITE	<p>RECOMMENDED to Full Council that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The surplus land at the Crematorium be sold to the developer as a private treaty disposal in line with the Council's land disposal policy and 2. A delegation be made to Broxtowe's Deputy Chief Executive and s.151 officer, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Bramcote Bereavement Services Joint Committee and the Group Leaders, to progress all key approvals relating to the subsequent sale of the land.

13.	Policy and Performance Committee	Thursday, 30 September 2021	HOUSING DELIVERY PLAN-LAND PURCHASE OPPORTUNITY	<p>RESOLVED that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The purchase of the public house be approved. 2. A delegation be made to Broxtowe's Deputy Chief Executive and s.151 officer, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Housing committee and the Chair of the Policy and Performance Committee, to progress all key approvals relating to the purchase of the site.
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Report of the Chief Executive

CHANGES TO GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

1. Purpose of report

To consider a proposal to change the Council's system of governance.

2. Background

The Council adopted a committee style of governance on 11 May 2016, the reasons given at the time included enabling the ability for a robust system of decision-making in addition to increasing the involvement of all councillors in the decision-making process. However, over a number of years the remits of the committees have changed and on occasion there is duplication, with a single report being submitted to numerous committees. The Council's business interests, arms-length company and shared services have resulted in different service delivery models that could now be better assisted by a different system of governance. It is now considered that a Leader and Cabinet system would allow for swifter and more streamlined decision-making, with clear lines of communication, responsibility and accountability.

The introduction of the Government's 'levelling up' agenda requires member involvement through accountability, transparency, scrutiny and delivery. Furthermore, with the initial consideration of County devolution under way, aligned decision-making structures would allow for greater continuity between the authorities involved. Currently, Broxtowe Borough Council is alone in operating a 'committee' system following recent resolutions from Nottinghamshire County Council and Newark & Sherwood District Council to return to a Leader and Cabinet system in May 2022.

To enable greater transparency and cross-party involvement in the decision-making process, the current Leader has stated an intention to move to a more politically balanced Cabinet than currently operating at other districts throughout the County. Should members signal an intention for this Council to change to a Leader and Cabinet system a further report would be submitted to members providing more detail, which would necessitate a direct resolution for a change of governance system being implemented at the Annual Council meeting in May 2022.

3. Financial implications

There are currently no direct financial implications.

Recommendation

Council is asked to RESOLVE to agree in principle that a Leader and Cabinet style of governance be adopted from May 2022.

Background papers

Nil

APPENDIX

Procedure for Change

The Local Government Act 2000, (as amended by the Localism Act 2011) sets out the statutory provisions that local authorities must follow in determining or changing their governance arrangements.

The Act requires that a local authority must make a formal resolution to make a change in its governance from a Committee to Leader and Cabinet form of arrangements. The Council may not pass another resolution changing its governance arrangements for five years. The five-year period runs from the date of the last resolution taken to change governance arrangements.

The Council can resolve at this meeting that it wishes to move to a Leader and Cabinet style of governance and the broad principles of the arrangements, with finer detail of the arrangements being agreed and adopted in early 2022 prior to its implementation at the Annual meeting in May 2022. This will enable consideration to determine the form of the Leader and Cabinet style of governance to be implemented and the detail of those arrangements.

The detail will set out revisions to the Council's Constitution which would bring the new system of governance into effect. There are many detailed provisions that would require careful consideration with regard to how the new arrangements would work and to ensure adequate provision for overview and scrutiny and also delivery of some of the major projects that are arising from the government's devolution bill, levelling up agenda and the borough's delivery of major projects through the Capital Programme.

It is envisaged the select committees could cover the following areas:

- Health, Leisure and Environment
- Finance and Human Resources
- Business Growth
- Housing
- Community Safety.

Issues requiring review in the Constitution would include:

- Responsibilities for functions
- Procedure rules for meetings of cabinet, scrutiny and quasi-judicial committees
- Scheme of delegation for officers
- Financial regulations
- Reviewing and cross-referencing all other aspects in relation to the governance model.

Other issues will include a detailed consideration of members' allowances through the Independent Remuneration Panel, while governance changes would also require training and development for both members and officers involved in the decision-making process.

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