

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL held at the Guildhall
Portsmouth on Tuesday, 14 January 2020 at 2.00 pm

Council Members Present

The Right Worshipful The Lord Mayor
Councillor David Fuller (in the Chair)

Councillors

Dave Ashmore	Stephen Morgan
Matthew Atkins	Gemma New
Chris Attwell	Robert New
Simon Bosher	Terry Norton
Tom Coles	Steve Pitt
Cal Corkery	Will Purvis
Ben Dowling	Darren Sanders
Jason Fazackarley	Jeanette Smith
John Ferrett	Judith Smyth
Scott Payter-Harris	Luke Stubbs
Graham Heaney	Benedict Swann
Hannah Hockaday	Linda Symes
Jo Hooper	Claire Udy
Suzy Horton	Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE
Lee Hunt	Matthew Winnington
Frank Jonas BEM	Rob Wood
Donna Jones	Tom Wood
Hugh Mason	Neill Young
Lee Mason	

1. Declarations of Interests under Standing Order 13(2)(b)

Councillor Darren Sanders declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 10, questions 4 and 5 as his mother lived in one of the flats under discussion.

2. Minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 October 2019

It was

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Donna Jones

That the minutes of the council meeting held on 15 October 2019 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the council meeting held on 15 October 2019 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

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3. Communications and Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors George Fielding, Leo Madden, Steve Wemyss and Lynne Stagg.

The Lord Mayor said that both Councillor Fielding and Councillor Stagg were attending funerals and expressed his condolences.

Councillor Donna Jones advised that Councillor Hockaday would be late in arriving at the meeting.

Councillor Jeanette Smith apologised that she would have to leave the meeting early.

The Lord Mayor gave detailed information concerning filming in the chamber and reiterated the council's rules. He advised that in order to assist online viewers a webcast camera will take an overview of members in the chamber when any voting takes place.

The Lord Mayor then gave details of the evacuation procedure.

The Lord Mayor drew members' attention to a small change in the seating plan which had been circulated to members.

The Lord Mayor advised that John Jenkins MBE, our D-Day veteran who celebrated his 100th birthday last November, sadly passed away just before Christmas. John was called up to the British Army in 1940 and by 1944 was serving as a sergeant with the Pioneer Corps. He landed on Gold Beach around ten days after D-Day. In June 2019 John made headlines around the world with his contribution to the national events to commemorate the 75th anniversary of D-Day earning a standing ovation from Her Majesty The Queen and world leaders. John is survived by his daughter, two granddaughters, five great grandchildren and one great great grandson. The Lord Mayor expressed condolences on behalf of the council to his family.

Councillor Donna Jones said that John Jenkins had played a huge part in the lives of many local people.

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson mentioned the recent Ofsted inspection into special needs provision and expressed his recognition, thanks and congratulations to all concerned.

4. Deputations from the Public under Standing Order No 24

The City Solicitor advised that five deputations had been received for this meeting; one in respect of item 9(a), one in respect of item 9(c), one in respect of item 9(d) and two in respect of item 9(e). He also advised that a written representation had been received in respect of item 9(g) from Solent NHS Trust.

Ms Nikki Coles made a deputation on item 9(a) - Surestart Centres - Family Hubs. Honorary Alderman John Attrill made a deputation on agenda item 9(c) - Reinstatement of Learning Disability Day Care Cap.

Mr Connor D'Arcy made a deputation on agenda 9(d) - Action on Carbon Reduction. Mr Baldev Laly and Ms Kimberly Barrett each made a deputation on agenda item 9(e) - The city council notes that many doctors' surgeries in Portsmouth have closed over the last few years. A written representation from Solent NHS was submitted and circulated in respect of agenda item 9(g) - Podiatry Services.

The City Solicitor thanked everyone for their deputations.

5. Questions from the Public under Standing Order 25

There were no questions from the public.

6. Appointments

Councillor Graham Heaney was appointed as a standing deputy for the Labour group on the Traffic, Environment and Community Safety Panel. Councillor Robert New was appointed as a full member of Licensing Committee (previously he was a standing deputy). Councillor Gemma New was appointed as a standing deputy on Licensing Committee (she was previously a full member). Councillor Lee Mason was appointed to replace Councillor Gemma New on the Health Overview Scrutiny Panel (HOSP) and is appointed as Vice Chair. Councillor Gemma New became a Standing Deputy on HOSP.

7. Urgent Business - To receive and consider any urgent and important business from Members of the Cabinet in accordance with Standing Order No 26

There was no urgent business.

8. Number of Council Meetings held this Municipal Year

It was

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Donna Jones

That in the circumstances detailed at agenda item 8 on the Council agenda, Full Council formally notes that only 5 ordinary council meetings can reasonably be held this municipal year, rather than the 6 specified in Standing Order 6.

Upon being put to the vote this was **CARRIED**.

RESOLVED that the proposal set out above be adopted.

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9. Notices of Motion

There were seven notices of motion before council.

9.a Sure Start Centres - Family Hubs

It was

Proposed by Councillor Claire Udy
Seconded by Councillor Jeanette Smith

That this matter be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Claire Udy
Seconded by Councillor Jeanette Smith

That Notice of Motion (a) as set out on the agenda be adopted.

Following debate, upon being put to the vote, this was CARRIED

RESOLVED that the following notice of motion be adopted.

"The 2010-2015 coalition government took a decision to remove the ring-fenced funding for Sure Start Centres and Local Councils began to reduce funding to such an extent that many closed. In Portsmouth Sure Start Centres now renamed Family Hubs go far beyond providing high quality early years childcare as they are at the heart of local communities across the city and provide a life line for many new parents.

The Council reaffirms its commitment to Family Hubs across the city and asks the Cabinet to commit to continue to support these valuable community services with dedicated ring-fenced funding."

9.b Wave Trust

It was

Proposed by Councillor Jeanette Smith
Seconded by Councillor Claire Udy

That this matter be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Jeanette Smith
Seconded by Councillor Claire Udy

That Notice of Motion (b) as set out on the agenda be adopted.

Following debate, upon being put to the vote, this was CARRIED

RESOLVED that the following notice of motion be adopted.

"It is estimated that as much as 40% of all spending on public services is accounted for by interventions that could have been avoided by prioritising a preventive approach to early years development.

Wave Trust is an independent organisation that wishes to pilot their preventive and integrated approach in Portsmouth. This has already been well received by group leaders.

Council calls on the cabinet to look into a feasibility study of the project led by officers in Early Years/Voluntary Sector into whether this is right for the city and can aid with a more preventative and integrated approach to early years"

9.c Reinstatement of Learning Disability Day Care Cap

It was

Proposed by Councillor Terry Norton
Seconded by Councillor Luke Stubbs

That this matter be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Terry Norton
Seconded by Councillor Luke Stubbs

That Notice of Motion (c) as set out on the agenda be adopted.

As an amendment it was

Proposed by Councillor Matthew Winnington
Seconded by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson

"to delete Paragraph 3 and replace with:

"The council believes that charging for both day care and residential care has been unfair in its effect. It therefore calls on the Cabinet member for Health, Wellbeing and Social Care to investigate the introduction of a day care cap for all Social Care client groups and to advise councillors of the financial cost of

this. This consideration of all Social Care client groups would protect the council from potential legal action under equalities legislation which would be a risk if a change was made for just one client group. The Council also asks the Cabinet Member to write to the Secretary of State for Health & Social Care to lobby for the long delayed national Green Paper on Social Care, which is scheduled to consider charging, to be published forthwith to address the unfairness of charging of people for access to Social Care."

The proposer of the original motion agreed to subsume the amendment into it.

Following debate, upon the substantive notice of motion including the amendment being put to the vote, this was **CARRIED**.

RESOLVED that the following notice of motion be adopted.

"The removal of the cap on the cost of day care for learning disability clients is having a disproportionate effect on a small number of families. The Cabinet member report on 25th September 2018 identified four clients who face contributions in excess of £200-a-week and, although not documented in that report, there is at least one family facing contributions of nearly £500-a-week. This is a very significant burden.

Moreover, the highest level of contributions is expected from people whose families have put aside significant sums to cover for their child's benefit. Some clients only have what appears to be a good level of savings because their parents have made provision for them so they can have some of the extras in life and can enjoy a good standard of living. These families did not do this in order to take on costs that would otherwise automatically fall to the council.

"The council believes that charging for both day care and residential care has been unfair in its effect. It therefore calls on the Cabinet member for Health, Wellbeing and Social Care to investigate the introduction of a day care cap for all Social Care client groups and to advise councillors of the financial cost of this. This consideration of all Social Care client groups would protect the council from potential legal action under equalities legislation which would be a risk if a change was made for just one client group. The Council also asks the Cabinet Member to write to the Secretary of State for Health & Social Care to lobby for the long delayed national Green Paper on Social Care, which is scheduled to consider charging, to be published forthwith to address the unfairness of charging of people for access to Social Care."

9.d Action on Carbon reduction

The seconder of this motion was unavoidably unavailable to attend the meeting which would cause it to be abandoned in normal circumstances. However as the reason for the Member's unavailability was owing to a bereavement

It was

Proposed by Councillor Stephen Morgan
Seconded by Councillor Cal Corkery

That Standing Orders be suspended for the duration of this item to enable it to be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote, this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Judith Smyth
Seconded by Councillor Cal Corkery

That Notice of Motion (d) be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Judith Smyth
Seconded by Councillor Cal Corkery

That Notice of Motion (d) as set out on the agenda be adopted.

As an amendment it was

Proposed by Councillor Dave Ashmore
Seconded by Councillor Steve Pitt

"NOTE: Words which show as underlined are to be added to the original notice of motion, whereas words that have been strikethrough are to be deleted.

Portsmouth City council agreed the Climate Emergency motion unanimously on 19 March 2019. It is recognised that the city council has already taken actions which have contributed to a reduction in carbon emissions, including:

- Multiple domestic energy schemes
- The long term delivery of over 22,000 solar panels on Council properties
- Installation of LED lighting in key buildings across the city, and conversion of 15,000 street lights to energy efficient LEDs
- A greening strategy adding 50,000 trees in the city and more planting to come
- Developing a food waste trial, converting some of the 40% of household waste that is food into biogas and fertiliser
- Working to make changes to the city transport system, such as the conversion of buses with scrubbers which remove harmful fumes and make them Euro 6 compliant

- Introducing electric vehicle charging points for electric/hybrid cars, for those who are unable to charge off-street
- Supporting Portsmouth International Port in their aim to become the first zero-emissions operations port in the UK, through measures such as replacing all floodlights with LED (reducing energy usage by 65%) and installing a sea water heat transfer pump to provide both heating and cooling for the new terminal building. The Council further notes the arrival later this year of Brittany Ferries' new LNG vessel, *The Honfleur*.
- Appointed a Climate Change Officer to coordinate carbon reduction, greening and sustainability across the city

In order to achieve net zero carbon by 2030 we ~~need to will~~ accelerate progress ~~especially~~ by taking immediate action to progress ~~low-cost~~ projects and by making allocations of capital and revenue ~~where possible~~ in the Council budget for 2020/21 in support of carbon action.

The Cabinet is asked to therefore ~~be asked to~~ include outline business plans for new capital and revenue proposals that will demonstrably accelerate the implementation of the climate emergency motion in the forthcoming council budget for consideration by the next full council.

This will include the following low cost actions listed below:

1. Actively working with Local authorities - through the local government family - who are ahead of Portsmouth in carbon reduction to learn from others, avoid the cost of 'inventing the wheel' and adopt proven strategy and policy documents where appropriate. For example, building on the work of Portsmouth City Council's adopted Air Quality Local Plan. Southampton already have a Clean Air strategy.
2. Continue Calling a cross party working of holding regular sessions for group spokespeople for Environment and Climate Change to meet with officers involved and the Cabinet Member to make affordable recommendations for the 2020/21 budget. ~~(low-cost)~~
3. To use the convene a cross party working group to work with the Climate ~~change~~ Change board Board and oversee the development of a strategy and action plans to implement the agreed Climate emergency motion including an ~~integrated~~ integrated transport strategy. ~~(low-cost)~~
4. Considering raising ~~car~~ parking charges as part of the parking strategy for the city. (potentially income-generating)
5. To continue to call on the Government for funding for modes of travel that will reduce the need for journeys in our city by car, van or HGV and to invest this in active travel infrastructure.
6. Continue with plans to implement more cycle lanes in the city and improve walking routes to help further the Local Cycling and walking Infrastructure Plan.
7. Considering charging large employers for off road parking spaces rather than incentivising commuting by car, as part of the Parking Strategy for the city. (potentially income-generating)
68. Examining the feasibility and cost benefits of different ways of commissioning buses and bus operators to accelerate the provision of

greener buses and to retain surpluses for reinvestment in local bus services as part of the Air Quality Local Plan (only 2% of bus journeys are subsidised by the City Council, 98% are run by private companies over which the Council has limited control. (initial work low cost)

79. Where the Council have the regulatory powers to do so, Develop develop and Incorporate incorporate new must do requirements to require carbon reduction in Portsmouth into all contracts and partnership agreements so that no all organisations who can work to or with the city council have to demonstrate how they are without contributing to the city's carbon reduction (low cost).
810. Consider the feasibility of introducing Introduce a carbon reduction kitemark, and accessible list of approved businesses for local business that is eligible and signs up in return for the free advertising the scheme provides. Link this to a carbon information website. (Low cost)
11. Continue discussions with voluntary organisations, such as Friends of the Earth, to develop an independent website to recommend pathways towards carbon reduction.
12. Continue to work with members of our local communities to identify further areas for play streets in the city, after the successful launch of Francis Avenue.
13. As part of the new Local Plan, establish the principle of increasing greening (including new trees where possible) across the city year on year, and working with all developers to maximise greening on their proposals.
14. The Local Plan will be an important means of ensuring that new development addresses the challenge of climate change. With regard to securing emissions reductions and mitigating climate change, policies are being formulated that aim to bring about substantial reductions in carbon emissions in new development, equally policies are being developed to help adapt to climate change and reduce climate risk in new development.
15. Extend and expand the successful food waste recycling pilot
16. Continue to investigate the development of the council's plan for an anaerobic digestion facility to accept the food waste from the City Council's food waste recycling initiative.
17. Investigate the provision of shore-to-ship electric charging points at Portsmouth International Port to reduce emissions.

Notice of motion to therefore read:

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2. Continue cross party working of holding regular sessions for group spokespeople for Environment and Climate Change to meet with officers involved and the Cabinet Member to make affordable recommendations for the 2020/21 budget.
3. To use the cross party working group to work with the Climate Change Board and oversee the development of a strategy and action plans to implement the agreed Climate emergency motion including an integrated transport strategy.
4. Considering raising parking charges as part of the parking strategy for the city.
5. To continue to call on the Government for funding for modes of travel that will reduce the need for journeys in our city by car, van or HGV and to invest this in active travel infrastructure.
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9. Where the Council have the regulatory powers to do so, develop and incorporate new must do requirements to require carbon reduction in Portsmouth into all contracts and partnership agreements so that all organisations who work with the city council have to demonstrate how they are contributing to the city's carbon reduction.
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As an amendment it was

Proposed by Councillor Luke Stubbs
 Seconded by Councillor Simon Boshier

"After paragraph one, add

Any actions have to be balanced with other considerations. Council is keen to do what it can to protect the city's High Streets, all of which are suffering as retail patterns change. It therefore opposes any damaging moves to raise parking taxes.

Council notes the need to restrain spending. It is concerned that Carbon Neutral clauses in contracts may significantly inflate costs, leading to pressures to reduce other services or to significantly increase taxes.

Council also notes the limits of its powers and specifically that local authorities have no control over rail services and only minor powers over buses.

Delete recommendations 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

Add a new recommendation 3 to say

Continue the dialogue already on-going with public transport operators about how to improve services

In place of recommendation 7, add

Explore the likely cost implications of adding carbon reduction clauses into all contracts and partnership agreements and report this information back to Full Council

At the end of the motion, add

Council further resolves to lobby the Cabinet to:

5. Not increase parking charges
6. Not introduce workplace parking charges

Renumber the recommendations so they are sequential. The amended motion should therefore read:

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The Cabinet therefore be asked to include outline business plans for new capital and revenue proposals that will demonstrably accelerate the

implementation of the climate emergency motion in the forthcoming council budget for consideration by the next full council.

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1. Actively working with Local authorities who are ahead of Portsmouth in carbon reduction to learn from others, avoid the cost of 'inventing the wheel' and adopt proven strategy and policy documents where appropriate. For example, Southampton already have a Clean Air strategy.
2. Calling a cross party working group to make affordable recommendations for the 2020/21 budget (low cost)
3. Continue the dialogue already on-going with public transport operators about how to improve services
4. Explore the likely cost implications of adding carbon reduction clauses into all contracts and partnership agreements and report this information back to Full Council
5. Introduce a carbon reduction kitemark and accessible list of approved businesses for local business that is eligible and signs up in return for the free advertising the scheme provides. Link this to a carbon information website. (Low cost)

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Council adjourned at 4.45 pm.

Council resumed at 5.00 pm.

Following debate, the mover of the original Motion agreed to subsume into it the Liberal Democrat amendment standing in the name of Councillor Ashmore.

Upon being put to the vote the amendment standing in the name of Councillor Luke Stubbs was LOST

Upon being put to the vote the original notice of motion incorporating the Liberal Democrat amendment was CARRIED

RESOLVED that the following notice of motion be adopted.

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2. Continue cross party working of holding regular sessions for group spokespeople for Environment and Climate Change to meet with officers involved and the Cabinet Member to make affordable recommendations for the 2020/21 budget.
3. To use the cross party working group to work with the Climate Change Board and oversee the development of a strategy and action plans to implement the agreed Climate emergency motion including an integrated transport strategy.
4. Considering raising parking charges as part of the parking strategy for the city.
5. To continue to call on the Government for funding for modes of travel that will reduce the need for journeys in our city by car, van or HGV and to invest this in active travel infrastructure.

6. **Continue with plans to implement more cycle lanes in the city and improve walking routes to help further the Local Cycling and walking Infrastructure Plan.**
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17. **Investigate the provision of shore-to-ship electric charging points at Portsmouth International Port to reduce emissions."**
- 9.e **The City Council notes that many doctors surgeries in Portsmouth have closed over the last few years**

It was

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Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Matthew Winnington

That this matter be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote, this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Matthew Winnington

That Notice of Motion (e) as set out on the agenda be adopted.

As an amendment

It was

Proposed by Councillor Luke Stubbs
Seconded by Councillor Donna Jones

"Add to the end of the motion:

Council also notes that in some localities NHS community providers have formed partnerships with GPs practices. These can involve the provider taking on responsibility for providing buildings, facilities and back office support and can involve GPs being employed as salaried staff rather than as partners in independent businesses contracted to the NHS. The multi-site Willows Practice in Gosport is a local example.

Council feels this model could have merit in Portsmouth and asks the Chief Executive to raise this with NHS colleagues."

As an amendment

It was

Proposed by Councillor Graham Heaney
Seconded by Councillor Stephen Morgan

"Add the following:

Ask the Cabinet to work with the Portsmouth Primary Care Alliance to develop a recruitment campaign to encourage more GP's to come and work in Portsmouth.

Ask the Cabinet to work with the Portsmouth Primary Care Alliance and, where appropriate, health trusts to explore the possibility of jointly supporting the recruiting of salaried GP's to work with existing practices to manage the increased workload of patients due to GP retirements.

Ask the Cabinet to explore further the use of city council owned property assets, or the acquisition of property assets, to support the provision of local health services"

The mover of the original motion agreed to subsume into it both amendments.

Following debate, upon the substantive notice of motion including both amendments being put to the vote, this was CARRIED.

RESOLVED that the following notice of motion be adopted.

"The city council notes that many doctors' surgeries in Portsmouth have closed over the last few years.

Now both The Devonshire and Hanway Rd surgeries are threatened with closure.

Portsmouth has a significant problem in the next few years as more GPs retire and there are significant problems recruiting GPs to work in the city.

The City Council therefore opposes the closure of these doctors' surgeries, and will therefore contact local MPs and the Secretary of State for Health to lobby for the funding and staffing to keep these surgeries open.

The City Council may also have a constructive role and asks the Cabinet

- **to investigate ways in which the City Council can invest in health centres and to provide all the backroom services so new doctors who don't want to buy into a GPs business can be attracted to work in Portsmouth.**
- **to work with the Portsmouth Primary Care Alliance to develop a recruitment campaign to encourage more GP's to come and work in Portsmouth.**
- **to work with the Portsmouth Primary Care Alliance and, where appropriate, health trusts to explore the possibility of jointly supporting the recruiting of salaried GP's to work with existing practices to manage the increased workload of patients due to GP retirements.**
- **to explore further the use of city council owned property assets, or the acquisition of property assets, to support the provision of local health service**

Council also notes that in some localities NHS community providers have formed partnerships with GPs practices. These can involve the provider taking on responsibility for providing buildings, facilities and back office support and can involve GPs being employed as salaried staff rather than as partners in independent businesses contracted to the NHS. The multi-site Willows Practice in Gosport is a local example.

Council feels this model could have merit in Portsmouth and asks the Chief Executive to raise this with NHS colleagues.

9.f Public Fireworks Displays

It was

Proposed by Councillor Graham Heaney
Seconded by Councillor Tom Coles

That this matter be debated today.

Upon being put to the vote this was CARRIED.

It was

Proposed by Councillor Graham Heaney
Seconded by Councillor Tom Coles

That Notice of Motion (f) as set out on the agenda be adopted.

As an amendment it was

Proposed by Councillor Claire Udy
Seconded by Councillor Jeanette Smith

"Add to the end of the first paragraph:

"Also, the council shall ask the Cabinet to commit to using fireworks for its own events that are deemed environmentally friendly.

Replace last paragraph with: "To encourage local suppliers of fireworks to not stock fireworks out of respect for animal welfare and vulnerable people"

Council adjourned at 7.15 pm.

Council resumed at 7.20 pm.

Following debate, the mover of the original motion agreed to subsume into it the amendment.

Upon the substantive notice of motion including the amendment being put to the vote, this was **CARRIED**.

RESOLVED that the following notice of motion be adopted.

"This Council resolves to ask Cabinet:

To require all public firework displays within the local authority boundary to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people. Also the Council shall ask the Cabinet to commit to using fireworks for its own events that are deemed environmentally friendly.

To actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people, including precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks.

To write to the UK Government urging them to introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays.

To encourage local suppliers of fireworks to not stock fireworks out of respect for animal welfare and vulnerable people."

9.g Podiatry Services

As the proposer of the motion Councillor Leo Madden was not in the Chamber, this Notice of Motion was not put.

10. Questions from Members under Standing Order No 17

There were five questions before Council.

Question 1 was from Councillor Terry Norton

"Can the cabinet member for education advise members on what plans are in place to tackle the city's underachieving schools?"

This and supplementary questions were answered by Councillor Suzy Horton

Question 2 was from Councillor Scott Payter-Harris

"Following the recent publication in The News on 31st December regarding temporary accommodation and the cost of temporary accommodation rising, what is the cabinet member doing to ensure this does not spiral out of control?"

This and supplementary questions were answered by Councillor Darren Sanders

Question 3 was from Councillor Luke Stubbs

"What plans are there to increase or reprovide special school places in the city?"

This and supplementary questions were answered by Councillor Suzy Horton.

Question 4 was from Councillor Scott Payter-Harris

"Following the Cabinet report on 8th October regarding the next steps for Leamington & Horatia House, is the proposed demolition of Leamington and Horatia House still on schedule and have costs been identified and finalised for the demolition, if so can you please circulate the costs to members?"

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This and supplementary questions were answered by Councillor Darren Sanders.

Question 5 was from Councillor Scott Payter-Harris

"Up to January 2020 how much has the council spent on rehousing residents from Horatia and Leamington House and can the cabinet member outline any other additional costs associated to the wider project such as security?"

This and supplementary questions were answered by Councillor Darren Sanders.

The meeting concluded at 8.35 pm.

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Lord Mayor