



**AGENDA
for
ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE COUNCIL**

to be held on

Wednesday, 15th May, 2024

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To: All Members of the Borough Council

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL will be held at the Town Hall, Council Chamber, on **Wednesday, 15th May, 2024 at 6.00 p.m.**

Councillor photos for the website will be taken prior to the meeting for those who were unable to attend the Member Induction Event. Please arrive at 5.15pm in reception where a member of our Communications team will be there to guide you.

All members of the Council are summoned to attend to determine the business as set out below.

AGENDA

1. **EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

A fire drill is not expected, so if the alarm sounds, please evacuate the building quickly and calmly. Exit by the nearest emergency exit; do not collect belongings. Follow exit signs and meet in the carpark nearest to the recreational area; the assembly point is on the far side top end of the car park. If the wind is blowing towards that area, please go to the bottom car park, nearest the road and wait for further instructions.

If you need any assistance in evacuating the building, please make yourself known to a member of staff.

Please also make sure all your mobile phones are turned off or set to silent.

Meetings may be recorded for future broadcast.

2. **ELECTION OF CHAIR (THE MAYOR)** – for the ensuing year.

3. **VOTE OF THANKS**

4. **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR (THE DEPUTY MAYOR)** for the ensuing year.

5. **APOLOGIES** - to receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

6. MINUTES - to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 17th April 2024
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7. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in matters under consideration pursuant to Council procedure Rule 4A.2(iii).

Declaring interests at meetings

If there is any item of business to be discussed at the meeting in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest (Other Interests), you must declare the interest appropriately at the start of the meeting or as soon as you become aware that you have an interest.

Arrangements have been made for interests that are declared regularly by the members are to be appended to the agenda (**to follow**). Any interest noted in the Schedule at the back of the agenda papers will be deemed to have been declared and will be minuted as such by the Committee Services Officer. As a general rule, there will, therefore, be no need for those Members to declare those interests as set out in the schedule. For newly elected Members, who have not declared their interests yet, they will declare them at the meeting.

There are, however, TWO EXCEPTIONS to the general rule:

1. When the interest amounts to a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest that is engaged in connection with any item on the agenda and the member feels that the interest is such that they must leave the room. Prior to leaving the room, the member must inform the meeting that they are doing so, to ensure that it is recorded in the minutes.

2. Where a dispensation has been granted to vote and/or speak on an item where there is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, but it is not referred to in the Schedule (where for example, the dispensation was granted by the Monitoring Officer immediately prior to the meeting). The existence and nature of the dispensation needs to be recorded in the minutes and will, therefore, have to be disclosed at an appropriate time to the meeting.

Note: Following the adoption of the new Code of Conduct, Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interests at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary or a Deemed Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, the Member must withdraw from the room.

Where a Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest but has received a dispensation from Audit and Standards Committee, that Member may vote and/or speak on the matter (as the case may be) and must disclose the existence of the dispensation and any restrictions placed on it at the time the interest is declared.

Where a Member has a Deemed Disclosable Interest as defined in the Code of Conduct, the Member may address the meeting as a member of the public as set out in the Code.

Note: Council Procedure Rules require Members with Disclosable Pecuniary Interests to withdraw from the meeting unless a dispensation allows them to remain to vote and/or speak on the business giving rise to the interest.

Where a Member has a Deemed Disclosable Interest, the Council's Code of Conduct permits public speaking on the item, after which the Member is required by Council Procedure Rules to withdraw from the meeting.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS - to receive announcements from the Mayor, Leader, Members of the Cabinet or the Chief Executive.

9. RETURNING OFFICERS REPORT –

Council be advised that, following the election on the 2nd May 2024, the composition of the Council is now:

Conservative Members = 16

Labour Members = 20

Green Member = 2

10. ELECTION OF THE LEADER - for the ensuing 4-year term in accordance with Article 7 of the Council's Constitution

11. COMPOSITION AND MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES FOR 2024/2025

(a) **The Cabinet** – to note the Leader's appointments to and allocation of responsibilities for the Cabinet Portfolios **(to follow)**

(b) **Composition of Committees and Overview and Scrutiny Panels** – to note the current political composition of the Council and, having regard to the political balance, to receive recommendations regarding the number of members on each committee **(to follow)**

(c) **Membership of Committees and Overview and Scrutiny Panels** – to receive recommendations on the membership of committees and panels and the appointment of Chairs and Vice Chairs where appropriate **(to follow)**

(d) **Representatives on Outside Bodies** – to receive recommendations on appointments to outside bodies **(to follow)**

(e) **Appointment of Co-opted Members** – to receive the recommendations on the appointment of co-opted members **(to follow)**

12. TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS a report of the Assistant Director – Governance and Democracy attached **(to follow)**
13. SCHEME OF DELEGATION
 - (a) to agree the scheme of delegation from Council excluding those functions which are executive functions (Part 3 of the Constitution attached) **(to follow)**; and
 - (b) to note the scheme of delegation from the Leader for those functions which are executive functions (Part 3 of the Constitution attached) **(to follow)**.



Brent Davis
Chief Executive

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL

17th April, 2024

A Council meeting of the Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council was held on Wednesday, 17th April 2024 which was recorded and uploaded to the Council's website.

Present

The Mayor (Councillor M. Walsh)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor B. Hammersley)

Councillors R. Baxter-Payne, D. Brown, C. Cape, J. Clarke, T. Cooper, J. Coventry-Moreton, S. Croft, L. Cvetkovic, L. Downs, K. Evans, C. Golby, M. Green, J. Gutteridge, S. Harbison, J. Hartshorn, K. Kondakor, S. Markham, G. Moreton, B. Pandher, E. Shiers, J. Singh, J. Sheppard, T. Sheppard, R. Smith, M. Tromans, R. Tromans, C. Watkins, K. Wilson, and M. Wright.

Apologies were received for Councillors, B. Beetham L. Downs, and N. Phillips

CL77 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Extraordinary Council held on 21st February 2024 were confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

The revised minutes of the Ordinary Council as published in the addendum held on 21st February 2024 were put forward for approval:

Councillor K. Kondakor moved an amendment that the original version of the minutes as published in the agenda be confirmed as a true and accurate record. Councillor M. Wright seconded the amendment.

A vote was taken

The amendment was lost.

Councillor K. Kondakor requested that his vote for the amendment be recorded in the minutes.

A vote was taken on the revised minutes of the Ordinary Council as published in the addendum.

RESOLVED that the revised minutes of the Ordinary Council s as published in the addendum held on 21st February 2024 be confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

Councillor K. Kondakor requested that his vote against the revised Ordinary Council minutes be recorded in the minutes.

CL78 **Declarations of Interests**

RESOLVED that the Declarations of Interests for this meeting are as set out in the schedule attached to these minutes.

CL79 **Announcements**

The Mayor made the following announcement:

In aid of the Mayor's appeal an Abba Tribute Night is being held on the 10th May at The Pavillon in Stockingford. Tickets are still available for purchase.

The Leader, Councillor K. Wilson made the following announcements:

Councillor Wilson wished to place on record and pay tribute to the Councillors who are standing down at the next local elections:

- Councillor N. Phillips – elected in 2006, held position of Mayor in 2011/12 in addition to being a Cabinet Member for many years.
- Councillor K. Kondakor – elected in 2012
- Councillor R. Tromans – elected in 2014, held position of Mayor in 2021/22
- Councillor K. Evans – elected in 2018, held a Cabinet Member position.
- Councillor M. Tromans – elected in 2021, Mayoress in 2021/22
- Councillor B. Beetham – elected in 2021
- Councillor B. Hammersley – elected in 2021
- Councillor J. Coventry Moreton - elected in 2022
- Councillor G. Moreton - elected in in 2022
- Councillor E. Shiers – elected in 2022

Councillor Wilson also wished to place on record the following:

'Mr. Mayor, I would like to give an update on Transforming Nuneaton. It will have escaped no-one's attention over the past few years that we have seen a massive economic shock. Not just in the UK but across the world. We

have had the shocks of Covid, Ukraine and the resulting inflation and interest rate rises.

Many residents will have seen the cost of living increase and the prices of items are now higher than they were a few years ago. This council, and our regeneration programme, have been affected just as much as domestic budgets have.

This has meant that the budgeted costs of the Transforming Nuneaton projects has increased from the original models of 2018/19.

So as the economic situation changes, we must adapt to it.

We took the difficult but necessary decision to pause some projects and focus on the essential projects Nuneaton needs to see through a real programme of transformation for our town. We asked government, through our Pathfinder Status, to reallocate funding from projects that are less of a priority to those which are essential.

Yesterday, I was delighted to receive confirmation from the Department for Levelling Up that they have agreed to our request and the regeneration funds that we have secured from government can be reallocated to the projects that will make the biggest difference.

This means we will be proceeding with Grayson Place Phase 2 – once the hotel is finished, we will start on the cinema, food hall, college campus and refurb of India Red. Officers have already been instructed to get on with the job and already are working with our partners to green light the projects and sign the contracts as soon as possible.

We will be able to progress a revised Bridge to Living on Bridge Street, which with the planning permission granted last night for a new library and business centre, means that Bridge and Church Street will also be a key part of the plan to Transform Nuneaton.

And I emphasise the word plan, Mr. Mayor, because it is only the Conservatives that have a plan to overturn decades of Labour failure and decline in our town centres and invest for the future.

We pledged to crack on with the regeneration of Nuneaton.

Promise made, promise kept.'

CL80 **Public Participation**

Question 1 – Mr Michele Kondakor asked the following question to the Leader of the Council.

It is a real loss to Nuneaton that the planned expansion of the Museum and Art Gallery has been halted, without any public consultation or even consultation with elected members. With the shrinking of retail in all towns, we need to be encouraging footfall to our towns by other means and this would have been an excellent opportunity to promote Nuneaton, and attract people to come and visit. Whilst I understand that things cannot go ahead if the money is not available, I do not understand why the project expanded to be a two-wing extension, as opposed to the original one, if it was known that only a finite amount of money was available and, seemingly, without knowing if this would still be affordable. The plans for the extensions were obviously developed by architects, and then went through the planning process. How much money was spent before the programme was abandoned, including all architect fees and planning fees? Thank you.

Councillor K. Wilson, Leader of the Council, responded as follows:

Mrs Kondakor has highlighted the central issue in her question itself. The economic climate has changed since the original business cases for the Transforming Nuneaton projects were approved. We have faced the impacts of Covid, the War in Ukraine and inflation and interest rate increases. Simply put, it means that the cost of our transformation projects has increased since they were originally costed years ago.

That means we must take difficult decisions and re-prioritise our projects so that we spend the money we do have wisely. Prioritising Grayson Place (including the cinema, food hall, college and India Red refurbishment) and Bridge to Living is critical to the regeneration of our town centre.

The Museum has only been put on hold. All of the work we have done can still be used in the future and we will continue to look at other funding sources for the Museum. I can confirm that the total costs have been £145,000 to date. And I want to address head on that the project wasn't "expanded" to a two wing extension. It was amended.

The original plans had a one-sided two story extension that was completely out of keeping with the design of the Museum. It would have been cultural vandalism

to proceed with a design that failed to honour and respect the architecture of the main building.

Look at the Museum head on. It is clear for all to see that it is designed in a symmetrical design, as is the park itself. A one-sided extension would have destroyed that symmetry, and I would not sign up to something that ruin the design of the original building. We either do it properly or not at all. I make no apologies for that Mr Mayor.

Mrs Michele Kondakor asked a supplementary question as follows:

With all the schemes that were in the Town Deal Fund, why were contingencies not built into that it seems ludicrous. If you do any work on your house you would allow for things costing more than you expect, so why was no contingency put in for any of these things? You've been on the board of the Town Deal since its inception and you haven't attended a meeting since March 2022, so you know, you're not keeping your finger on the pulse.

Councillor K. Wilson responded as follows:

Thank you Mr Mayor. In fact I have sent substitutes to that meeting as it meets during the day. Unlike some people Mr Mayor, I'm not a full-time politician. I have a job, a number of people actually have full-time jobs, unlike some and they have the luxury of being able to be full-time politicians. I cannot live off the salary of a Councillor Mr Mayor, in fact no one around here unless they are retired and have another income can actually afford that. So if she wishes to be a full-time politician and not have a full-time job that's her decision, you have the money to do that don't go criticizing other people who still need to work for a living. We still have something to contribute to public society. Even on the Leader's salary you cannot afford to run a full house, all your other day jobs, all your other expenses. She might be able to on her retirement salary, but I'm of the generation that has to work hard for our retirement.

Now in terms of the funding itself for these projects, I remind her that the projects were first put together in 2018/19 as was said, and there were contingency funds in place which were built in, in 2018/19. But unless she has been in a coma or absent for all these past five or six years, anyone who has any sense whatsoever will know that there has been the Ukraine War, the impact of Covid and the fact the interest rates have increased and the inflation has increased. What we could pay for with say £1 back in 2018, now costs us £5-£10 now. For example Mr Mayor, just on the market, pre-pandemic if we needed a new table for the market, the suppliers we could get it for £25. Now to get a replacement table when someone nicks our tables from the market, it costs us £75 for a new table. Now unless she's telling us that you know the whole world has stopped, and that nothing has gone up since 2018-2019 and that everything has stayed exactly the same, then she should be honest enough to actually face the reality

that these things have gone up, and we have to act accordingly. Otherwise we would bankrupt this Authority and that would be the result of a Labour or Green Administration come May if they win.

Councillor K. Kondakor moved that the issue be referred to the relevant OSP for further discussion.

Councillor M. Wright seconded the motion.

A vote was taken

The motion was lost.

Question 2 – Mr Alex Ratcliffe asked the following question to the Leader of the Council:

May I please ask councillor Croft what the S106 money has been spent on?

Councillor S. Croft, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Corporate responded as follows:

Thank you to Mr Ratcliffe for his question. He asked a very high-level question, so I'm afraid I'm going to have to give him a very high level answer, because over the years this Council has had many hundreds if not thousands of developer agreements under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act, concerning many thousands of projects and millions of pounds. So, without being more specific in the question it would be difficult to pull that data together to give a precise answer as to what monies have been spent on, because like I said there are thousands of projects and budgets line items. To give him some background Mr Mayor, it must be understood that Section 106 money is earmarked for particular purposes, which are identified in the planning documents and developer agreements at the point of application, and at the point of approval. There aren't sort of random pots of money that can just be drawn down on according to popular demand, that has to be understood in the record. Very often these monies will contain trigger points as part of the developments, so they will only be paid over to be spent when certain phases of construction are reached. So the fact that development is happening does not mean that money is immediately available to spend yet.

Under the monies that NBBC spend Mr Mayor, we spend them on parks, open spaces, play equipment, sports facilities, that sort of thing, that's specifically what it's spent on. But it's not just paid to NBBC, we also pay it over to our partner organisations at the County Council and to the NHS to provide services, and that's in addition to the obligations under Section 106 to developers to provide

affordable housing. Which Councillor Smith will be able to tell you all about, but to give him some high level figures, over the past decade we've received five and a half million pounds of Section 106 money. We've spent just shy of a million pounds, £977,000, of that on our parks, for example the fantastic project we're doing at Buttermere Park at the moment. We've paid over 1.3 million pounds over to the County Council for highways improvements or for educational funding and we've paid £767,000 to the NHS for things like Public Health, that sort of work. One thing Mr Mayor I am particularly pleased about, is that under this Administration and the work that's being done under the new Borough Plan, when Section 106 agreements are drawn up, the monies we believe should always be spent in the locality of the development, rather than being transferred to other Sections of the Borough. This is completely appropriate because we believe that the money should be spent in those areas which are affected by the development. Development can be positive, but the development itself can have negative effects and it's only right that the people who suffer those. get the money monies as a byproduct of that. So, we will not see a repeat of the situation under the previous Administration and what was referred I believe Mr Mayor, to Labour's third rate Borough Plan where money was earmarked, for example to be transferred from any future developments in the Arbury Ward over to pay for the new Bedworth Leisure Centre. So, the people of Arbury will not see improvements in their neighbourhood should that eventuate. So that's a very high-level answer but I'm afraid it's a very high level question I've done the best I could can with it.

Mr Alex Ratcliffe asked a supplementary question as follows:

Thank you very much for that Councillor Croft. May I please ask for a specific example within Galley Common given the developments of Camp Hill have finished most of their stages, if not in their entirety, is there any examples you could name in Galley Common at all?

Councillor S. Croft, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Corporate responded as follows:

Thank you very much Mr Mayor he talks about Camp Hill and Galley Common, there's an awful lot that's been spent in Galley Common, and I have some figures here. We've spent £67,000 on parks and play, and open space area in the Galley Common Ward and £74,000 on broader sort of path and park improvements. You'll find that some of the money for example, through the County Council, is paid to keeping one of the bus services I can remember if it's the 18 or 19 that goes to the Village, but without that you'd have an hourly bus service rather than a half hourly bus service.

Mr Mayor I do just want to give a bit of background since it's been raised in Galley Common, that over the past six, seven years, there have been approximately a thousand extra houses go in on that route between Ansley

Island and the Old Chase Pub in Galley Common. That is a very good example of what happens when you leave the Labour Party in charge of planning in this Borough, because, you will see on the agenda later tonight, we are very near the closing stages of a new Borough Plan. It will be a first-in-class Borough Plan, with appropriate infrastructure, proper consultation of the residents and proper planning to get the right houses in the right places. What Galley Common has unfortunately, because it was approved 2017, 2016, is a very good example of planning without appropriate infrastructure being put in at the time of development, under the Labour Party, and without appropriate challenge made in two inappropriate and badly designed estates. At this very moment, again Councillor Smith who is the planning guru will be able to tell you, we are paying for and we are taking several inappropriate and poorly designed, from a highways and from a localities perspective, developments through the Planning Inspectorate to defend ourselves against appeals against our refusing those planning applications. Now the previous Administration did not do that, so the people of Galley Common have had to suffer the effects of inappropriate and overdevelopment. So if the Labour Party and if Labour Party candidates wish to go around Galley Common talking about development and the Labour Party's record on development, then they can be my guest.

CL81 **Questions by Members**

Question 1 – Councillor R. Baxter-Payne asked the following question to the Leader of the Council:

Many residents remember the legacy of failure that we inherited when we took control of the council in 2021. They lived it for 45 years. Could the Leader of the Council please give us a rundown of what the Conservatives have achieved for the people of Nuneaton and Bedworth over the past three years?

Councillor K. Wilson, Leader of the Council responded as follows:

I thank Cllr Baxter-Payne for his question as it gives me the opportunity to remind residents what is at stake at the election on 2nd May.

In 2021, we inherited a council that was a financial basket case, top-heavy with senior managers, lacking clear direction and business sense and it was the residents of this Borough who suffered for Labour's clear ineptitude. So, Mr Mayor, what have we achieved? We said we would kick start the regeneration of Nuneaton Town Centre. And what have we done? We have a hotel almost built to completion, that we already have local businesses wanting to use for their travelling visitors and support regional events. And as I outlined earlier in announcements, we have secured the funding to proceed with the cinema, food

hall, college campus, India Red and Bridge to Living. Promise made, promise kept.

We said we would support our markets. We have frozen the market rents in Nuneaton, introduced an outdoor market in Bedworth and Bedworth Indoor Market is getting £700,000 worth of investment. Promise made, promise kept. We said we would cut car parking charges. Under Labour it cost £2.80 to park for three hours; under the Conservatives it is £1.50 for three hours. Promise made, promise kept.

We said we would review Labour's unfair Borough Plan. We began an immediate review, halved the housing, refused over 1800 unneeded houses that we are now defending at appeal and submitted our revised plan, all within three years. Promise made, promise kept.

We said we would spend s106 money in the areas that have taken development. Buttermere Park is well underway to completion, being the first disability-accessible park in the Borough and used s106 money to fund new play equipment in Exhall, Bulkington, Stockingford Rec and Montana Walk. Promise made, promise kept.

We said we would stand up against illegal gypsy and traveller encampments. We have defended our injunction all the way through the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court, and we have a policy in place that cuts the need for traveller pitches which defends against illegal and unwanted encampments in our Borough for the first time ever. Promise made, promise kept.

We said we would invest in local play areas so that local residents have good quality facilities for local families. We have completely replaced Buttermere Park, Sherbourne Park is half-complete, new equipment in Riversley Park, the Miners Park, Montana Walk, Stockingford Rec, Bulkington Rec, Exhall and new replacement parks planned for Attleborough Rec, Sorrell Road Rec and Marlborough Road Rec. This is the single biggest programme of works in our parks in the past 30 years. Promise made, promise kept.

We said we cut waste, focus on delivery of services and get value for money. We have cut the Mayor's car and chauffeur, sold Labour's climbing tower, cut the number of managers at the Town Hall, brought in mixed recycling and responded to Coventry Labour's Bin Strike which saw little impact on local services. Promise made and promise kept again Mr Mayor.

I could go on, but I think everyone gets the picture. It is only with the Conservatives at the helm of Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council that we are turning this ship around and putting in on a course for success. If we put Labour back at the wheel of the ship they will soon sink it. Nuneaton and

Bedworth cannot afford to go back to Labour, Mr. Mayor. If residents want to continue with a Conservative council that will back the law-abiding, hard-working citizen then they need to Vote Conservative on 2nd May.

Question 2 – Councillor Jasbir Singh asked the following question to the Leader of the Council:

Could the leader bring us up to date with the £700,000 for the refurbishment of the Bedworth indoor market.

Councillor K. Wilson, the Leader of the Council, responded as follows:

Thank you, Cllr Singh, for your question. Bedworth Indoor Market has been allocated £716,000 for renovation and upgrade works from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. The fund totals four million pounds, but the allocation of £716,000 is the single largest project that we are undertaking as part of the UKSPF. We have recently conducted a pre-market engagement exercise that will help guide the full tender process, which we expect to launch in the late spring. We said we would support Bedworth Market. Promise made, promise kept Mr Mayor.

Question 3 – Councillor Robert Tromans asked the following question to the Leader of the Council:

Ten years ago, as a newly elected Councillor, the first question I asked in this chamber related to the possibility of bringing forward a Business Improvement District - a BID. Whilst the controlling Labour group at the time showed little interest in supporting town centre businesses with such an initiative , I was pleased that following the Conservative group taking control, this opportunity has now been progressed.

Can the Leader please update the Council on the latest developments to bring forward a BID for Nuneaton Town Centre?"

Councillor K. Wilson, Leader of the Council, responded as follows:

Mr. Mayor, I can't tell you how pleased I am that we finally are progress a Business Improvement District for Nuneaton. It is something Cllr Tromans and I long called for in opposition, and pledged to support when we took control of the council in 2021.

I can confirm that there was a formal postal ballot of all town centre businesses within the defined area in February/March of this year. The results were overwhelmingly in favour of the BID – 86% of those voting and 89% by rateable value. I myself exercised the council's votes over the properties we own within the area to support the BID.

The BID has been led by local Nuneaton businesses and business owners and I commend their hard work and efforts to get it this far. They will charge an additional levy on the business rates to support additional projects within Nuneaton town centre, that I hope will be attractive and draw even more people to our wonderful town.

There are approximately 350 local business involved in the BID, and it will unlock up to one million pounds of additional investment in Nuneaton town centre over the next five years, and will place local businesses in direct control of the BID and an active partner with us as the local council.

I for one, and I am sure I can say all members on this side of the chamber, am excited at the potential this brings for Nuneaton town centre. We pledged to support a Business Improvement District for Nuneaton. Again, promise made, promise kept.

Question 4 - Councillor Michael Green asked the following question to the Leader of the Council:

I would like to ask my fellow Ward Councillor, Councillor Clare Golby, what would she feels is the greatest successes of the housing and communities team have achieved during her time as Portfolio holder.

Councillor C. Golby, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Communities replied as follows:

I'd like to thank Councillor Green because it's often forgotten that we're not just Ward Councillors in the Cabinet, we are actually running a multi-million pound organisation in what is effectively, as has been highlighted, our spare time, and we're doing quite a good job of it. So I would like to move on to some of the things that we've done under my leadership for housing and communities, and I'd be happy to highlight some of the most significant successes that we've had. This isn't an exhaustive list, but it is a long one so bear with. So firstly I need to extend my appreciation as well to the teams, because without the really hard work that the teams have put in and the gusto that they've gone to with sorting out the changes and dealing with everything that's come down the line with legislation and everything else, this wouldn't have happened. The team is fantastic and also the partners that we work with as well, without them this

wouldn't have been a possibility. So we started in 2021 with our strategic restructuring of the Council, and my team were no exception. By transitioning towards specialised roles including Antisocial Behaviour Officers and Tenancy Management Officers we have significantly enhanced our capacity to address complex issues and improve the welfare of our residents, with much better outcomes for both the residents and Council. But it's not just about restructuring, it's about implementing policies that serve the needs of our communities and protect this Council, and I've said before I was absolutely gob-smacked at the lack of some of the policies that we didn't have, because policies do protect this Council as well as our residents. So we've introduced policies such as the new downsizing policies, the new decant policies to move people out of their property should they need to, we've introduced policies for support for vulnerable persons and victims of domestic abuse, and this reflects the Conservative leadership's dedication to creating a safe and inclusive environment for everybody.

Since day one I was adamant and again I've never made any, not been shy about saying this, I was adamant we should be relentless in our efforts to combat antisocial behaviour in our Borough. I think it's an absolute scourge and it really affects people in their own homes. So through targeted enforcement measures and proactive community engagement initiatives, we've made massive improvements in the last three years, absolutely massive. Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council are now the fifth highest ranking Council for ASB related evictions in our housing stock in the UK, and also the fifth highest based on the number of evictions compared to the number of incidents. And when we consider ourselves against some of the really big hitters like Birmingham, that isn't bad for a little Council like ours. So it proves that we're actually doing the right thing, and I know it's been said before but we don't evict vulnerable people, they get all the assistance that they require. In 2023 alone the team have opened and closed, or investigated 438 cases of ASB reported, and closed 353. The team have also had a tenant convicted for breach of a civil injunction, which resulted in a three-month prison sentence, so again they're taking things very seriously and they are taking things much further than they were ever allowed to do before under the previous Administration.

In addition to the management of ASB cases, we've been taking enforcement action the team have also been busy target hardening areas where antisocial behaviour was prolific and persistent, which again wasn't done under the previous Labour leadership at the Town Hall. So not only did we bring back 24/7 CCTV in our town centres, something that was removed by Labour when they were last in control at the Town Hall, but we've installed CCTV in multiple locations within our housing stock. So for example Buckingham Court, Stoneleigh Court, Lexington Court, something else that wasn't done under Labour. We've installed new security gates in and around some of the areas that we've got high ASB, antisocial behaviour issues with, so residents are now more

secure, again something that wasn't done under Labour, and we've introduced regular tenant engagement forums for residents to speak directly to us about their issues, and which we can then take action on. Because if we know it's happening we aren't going to let it rest. So we've embraced new technology, we've introduced 'The Noise' app which offers a simple user experience for people reporting noise issues. It's a more streamlined investigation tool for our officers, saves time, saves issues for the residents and since 2023-2024 when we introduced the app we've seen over 660 reports of noise associated to antisocial behaviour, and 600 reports of other types of noise which were reported to us as separate incidents.

We've worked closely with the Estates and the Environmental Enforcement Officers to tackle fly tipping, and we do have some persistent areas of fly tipping that are unfortunately, the residents are fly tipping in their own areas, which is slightly ridiculous, but we will get to the bottom of that and we will - they do risk their tenancies, so again you will be taken down the appropriate channels. Under my tenure we've introduced block inspections to enhance tenant engagement, and we've reintroduced the estate walkabouts. We've introduced inspections across all our Council's mobile home sites, and there's also been an upskilling of the team to be able to take cases to Court themselves, so we're not relying on external counsel as much, saving money for the Council and also providing a skills service for the team.

So as far as wider tenant engagement goes, we've got Stan the van which is a mobile tenancy engagement unit, and Stan the van will be ready to roll quite soon, and you can't miss him because he's bright blue. So we're going to be rolling out, so instead of relying on residents coming to us we're actively going out to our tenants. That that wasn't something that was done wholesale before. We've done the new council's in-house magazine which goes out to our tenants again, there's been three publications of that. In private sector housing we've distributed over 1.5 million pounds worth of energy efficiency grants since February in 2021, and that today has improved 159 Nuneaton and Bedworth properties.

So we've had a great success as well with our rough sleeper initiative, again something that's really important to me is tackling homelessness. So thanks to Government funding we secured £800,000 for three years, allowing us to provide 24/7 supported accommodation for rough sleepers. Year two saw the introduction of the housing first model, resulting in successful housing placements and ongoing support, plus our rough sleeping partners meeting is back on, again something that was done under me, and we offer wraparound support for those at risk. We also take a preventative approach on homelessness because prevention is obviously better than cure, and we've introduced a new homelessness prevention service where early intervention has helped a

significant number of residents and we've actually prevented people coming into our system having to go through the homelessness process. We stopped that before it even started, again it's all a benefit to the resident and to the taxpayer, because it costs us money having to go through the system.

We've open the new homeless hostel which is named St Benedict's House, or some people know it as Church Road, but it is St Benedict's and we've done that with the view of putting pets in there as well, because we have to pay to board people's pets Again simple change, we've got something now where it saves the cost to the taxpayer if we've got families and households, because we do have families and households where they need support, they can bring their pets too because for some people their pets are absolute lifeline, and we shouldn't ever forget that. So that saves money on boarding costs.

We've commenced refurbishment of the existing homeless hostile The Gables, we've had a conversion of the general fund offices in Bedworth to create three self-contained flats for use as temporary accommodation, The choice-based letting service is absolutely booming, with 364 void properties and 209 registered provider void property allocations from April 2023 to March 2024. And under my leadership we've had the lowest number of voids, which is basically Council properties that are stood empty, we've had the lowest number of voids ever in Council history. With the recent launch of our downsizing policy and our fixed term tenancy policies which I just have no idea why these weren't addressed sooner, we're ensuring that there's the best use of our housing stock. We do need throughput in our housing stock to keep people, for the stock to be available, we do have in some instances people who have had family homes who are now single people, living in three bed houses. That's not right that's, not right for the people we've got who are in temporary accommodation that need family properties, so there's a whole piece of work going on there. The Heart Team which deals with the adaptations to allow people to stay in their homes for longer, with additional needs and disabilities, we managed this for the whole of Warwickshire. We've implemented a new IT system in 2023-2024 to manage Heart. We've got 2,641 Social Care equipment pieces provided since 2021, and 11.6 million pounds worth of grants have been completed, servicing 11,000 new cases that have been registered since 202. So there's a whole lot of work going on there.

So my Community's Team who are probably the most visible to the general public, with no project more visible than when we had the Knife Angel in town, and I've already spoken a lot of times about the Knife Angel but it was an absolute fantastic success, and the best example of collaborative working that this Council has ever done, I believe. We reached over 1,400 Secondary School pupils, 1,600 Primary School pupils, and we educated them of the dangers of knife crime and violence. team directly had 2,500 people visit their Communities

Market stall, they distributed 985 Community safety packs, we bought 10 bleed kits and we upgraded the defibrillator throughout the Borough with those bleed kits, and aside from this we've increased the number of our Nomad cameras from 17 to 24, and all are now equipped with the latest multi-lens technology. So I admit ASB remains a challenge we all know that I'm not daft, but these expansions serve as a powerful deterrent to support the communities. We're building stronger partnerships with pilot projects partnering with Refuge, the domestic abuse charity, to enhance our support for victims of domestic abuse, by seamlessly integrating Refuge Officers with our NBBC Officers, so they are on site. That means it's a streamlined service for victims, it's ensuring efficiency and a laser focus on what they actually need, because domestic abuse again is an absolute Scourge on our communities.

We are also Investing in Community Safety, thanks to UKSPF money from the Government, over £60,000 has been injected into various community safety projects across the Borough. From empowering local youth groups with additional activities to targeted interventions in schools, we're tackling crime and ASB head-on.

Within our Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Safety Partnership partners, my leadership is driving efficiency and impact, ensuring maximum utilisation of funding from the Home Office and the PCC's Office. We have also continued Support for Armed Forces Covenant, and our commitment to supporting our Armed Forces community remains unwavering. I am immensely proud of the progress made in such a short time, and I can't again under any circumstances I can't detract from the work that the teams have done because they've been fantastic.

So under my leadership our achievements stand as a testament to the power of collaboration, innovation, and, above all, our unwavering commitment to serving the needs of our communities, which often goes unseen by the wider Borough. A shining example of this is Cleaver Gardens, we've actually sorted out Cleaver Gardens. The agreement has been signed with the County Council, and we are now in procurement to get the job done that's years, years of outstanding work. So finally, I want to thank everybody, all the staff, all our partners, everybody that's been involved in the hard work that we've done. We really do appreciate it on this side of the Chamber. Thank you Mr Mayor.

The Mayor moved that the time allowance for member questions be extended until all the Member Questions have been asked and responses given.

Question 5 – Councillor K. Kondakor asked the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Health and Environment.

Thank you Mr Mayor. On the new estates in Weddington, we have many new ponds, which are part of the sustainable drainage systems (SUDS.) They should hold water during periods of rainfall and then release that water slowly over the next hours, or even days, into water courses. At the moment, all these ponds have some form of barrier such as fence, knee rail or hedging to discourage people getting close to the water and help them become wildlife areas. Controversially, the Council has asked the developer to remove all the fencing around the very large pond on the Davidson's Church Fields development, as the open spaces near adoption. This pond has become a valuable wildlife habitat and sometimes hosts a Kingfisher in winter. I totally understand why the Council does not want the long-term cost of repeatedly replacing a large length of softwood fencing. I also understand why some residents are unhappy at having no clear barrier so close to the play equipment used by a children, across a wide range of ages. Can the Cabinet Member allow Officers to look at a compromise of using a mixture of knee rails and new hedging around this very significant pond, like that used on the other sites in Weddington, given it is very possible that the hedging would count towards biodiversity offsetting and I am sure myself, local Councillors and volunteers would be happy to do the hedge planting? Thank you.

Councillor J. Gutteridge, Portfolio Holder for Health and Environment responded as follows:

Thank you Mr Mayor, thank you Councillor Kondakor for the question. The adoption of public open space on the three developments at the top of Weddington Road are progressing, but are at different stages, the furthest along is the Davidson Church field site. The fencing was removed around the Sustainable Urban Drainage System feature as it was not on the approved plans, and contrary to the council's adopted water safety policy. The Council is currently preparing for the adoption of this site which should be completed later this year. Parks have to sign it off, then it goes to legal, and it should be noted that the balancing feature is no closer to the play facilities as they are to the River Anker itself, and that our water safety policy will be applied in determining the future management arrangements for the whole site.

Councillor K. Kondakor asked the following supplementary question:

I wasn't making the point that it was required by our water safety policy, I was asking could we have a compromise and look at planting a hedge and a knee rail, so can I ask can we consider having an additional feature of the knee rail and some hedging, because it would make residents feel safer if there was a bit of a barrier between the play area and the very deep, very large pond. And one of the things a pond is different for, is it will freeze in Winter unlike the River Anker which is a very different environment. Thank you.

Councillor J. Gutteridge, Portfolio Holder for Health and Environment responded as follows:

Thank you. I'll say it again, we have a water safety policy and we will adhere to the water safety policy. If you would like to ride up to Thornhill you can see the Thornhill Park and see the pond that we have with the various Wildlife – ducks, wood pigeons magpies, moorhens nesting at the moment, and see that for your own thing, but we must adhere to the water safety policy when we adopt it.

Question 6 – Councillor Mike Wright asked the following question to the Leader of the Council

With regard to the former Woolworths site, could the Council leader explain the lack of due diligence in the leasing arrangements, and update the Council as to any further developments in the situation?

Councillor K. Wilson, the Leader of the Council, responded as follows:

Mr Mayor, I do get rather concerned and disappointed that the Green Party opposite constantly talks down our town centres and the work we are doing to transform and breathe new life into Nuneaton.

It is absolutely wrong to say that there was a lack of due diligence with regards to the old Woolworths site. Is Cllr Wright now going to claim that he has the gift of foresight and knowing what the future holds. No-one at the time the lease was signed knew that Wilkos was going to collapse and go into administration. No one. We signed the lease in good faith, working to regenerate the Church Street, Bridge Street end of town and keep a much-loved Wilkos store in Nuneaton.

Woolworths offered, and does still offer, a great site to relocate to, and it is only down to the actions of the national retailer that we are in this position, not on our part. Unfortunately, as the lease was signed prior to the collapse of Wilkos we are bound into a legally binding agreement. This remains with the administrator and we are trying to find a way forward, which may include serving notice to discontinue the lease, but to date the administrator has given us no indication of their future plans.

We have had interest in the site, which is extremely encouraging, and I hope that we are able to resolve this soon. But the only lack of due diligence has been the drafting of this question Mr Mayor.

Question 7 – Councillor Kyle Evans asked the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regulation

Does the Portfolio Holder agree with me that the Conservative administration has now met its manifesto commitments to safeguard the Bedworth Woodlands from inappropriate development.

Councillor R. Smith, the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regulation, responded as follows:

I thank Cllr Evans for his question and would absolutely agree that this Conservative administration has fully honoured its manifesto commitments to safeguard the Bedworth Woodlands from inappropriate development. The Woodlands story started back in 2014 when the then Labour administration made a similar manifesto promise to the residents of Bedworth, declaring that whilst they were in control the Woodlands would be in safe hands, protected from development and would never be built on. Wind forward to 2019, and the controlling Labour administration having agreed to take 4,000 overflow houses from their friends in Coventry, broke their manifesto promise and allocated the Woodlands site for over 800 houses in their disastrous Borough Plan. When they adopted their 3rd rate plan the Labour administration made another promise that due to the now out of date data the plan was based on, and having taken 10 years to produce a plan, they would start an immediate review of that plan as recommended by the Inspector at the public examination hearings, this was another promise broken.

By 2021 residents, having tired of the failing Labour administration and with no Borough plan review in sight, elected the current Conservative group to take over the running of the council on a manifesto promise that we would kick start an immediate review of the Borough Plan and remove the Woodlands and an allocation of nearly 200 dwellings off Lancing Road in Bulkington as strategic development sites.

Within just three months of taking control, it was the Conservatives that kept their manifesto promise by holding an Issues and Options public consultation to lay the ground for the Borough Plan review, and from that point the Bedworth Woodlands and Lancing Road in Bulkington sites, were no longer destined to be allocated as a strategic sites' in the emerging plan.

After just three years, not ten, that review is now nearing completion having been submitted to the Secretary of State and Inspectorate for examination in public, with hearings due to be held as early as July. The review process has been a mammoth task, and I must take this opportunity to publicly thank our excellent Planning Policy Team who really have gone above and beyond to deliver a first-

class plan, in record time, having been faced with overhauling 15 major policy documents that the Labour group had failed to keep up to date.

Finally, to underpin the seriousness with which this Conservative administration takes its duty to upholding its manifesto promises, I am delighted to let council know that just last night a planning application was before the Planning Committee with a proposal to build 150 houses on the Woodlands site and I am happy to say, it was unanimously rejected by the Committee.

So, in answer to your question Cllr Evans, unlike Labour this Conservative administration takes its manifesto promises seriously and has absolutely kept its manifesto promise to protect the Bedworth Woodlands from development.

Question 8 – Councillor Brian Hammersley asked the following question to the Leader of the Council

Could I ask the leader about the £20 million from the Government which is much needed for the regeneration of Bedworth for an update on the progress with procedures so this can go ahead at the earliest date possible with the minimum delay. Thank you.

Councillor K. Wilson, the Leader of the Council, responded as follows:

It is, indeed, excellent news that on top of the £16 million we secured from the Levelling Up Fund for Bedworth for the new Leisure Centre as well as the £14 million investment by the Council and developers, and the £716,000 from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund for the refurbishment of the Bedworth Indoor Market that we now have £20 million to establish a Town Deal for Bedworth.

We are in the process of setting up a new Town Deal Board for Bedworth and seeking a Chair of the Board. We have received start-up funding of £250,000 to begin the work of putting together the Board and help facilitate the work that will need to be done to put together the Plan of what we want to spend the funding on. Additional officer capacity will be brought in to enable this work.

As part of this process, we work together with local businesses, education, health and charity sectors to establish the Town Deal Board and Plan so we can carry on the legacy of levelling up Bedworth that this Conservative administration began in 2021.

We pledged to support levelling up and investment in Bedworth. Promise made, promise kept Mr Mayor.

CL82 Special Urgency Decisions

The following special urgency decisions be noted:

- Delegated Authority by Officer - DO/114/2024 (BD) - Housing Complaints Policy; and
- Cabinet – 10th April 2024 – Bedworth Town Deal Board – Min no CB134.

CL83 **Cabinet**

The Leader of the Council submitted the Leaders report on behalf of Cabinet. The report highlighted matters considered at the Cabinet meetings held on 6th March 2024, and 10th April 2024 and details of reports from the West Midlands Combined Authority Board (WMCAB), which has a direct impact on NBBC, namely the WMCA Board meetings held on 15th March 2024.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

CL84 **Timetable of Committee Meetings**

The Assistant Director for Governance & Democracy submitted a report to Council for the provisional approval of the Committee Timetable 2024/25 and 2025/26

RESOLVED that

- a) the provisional timetable of committee meetings set out in Appendix A and Appendix B of the report be approved to permit officers to begin planning and implementing the provisional timetable; and
- b) the requirement to seek formal approval of the timetable at the forthcoming Annual Council be noted

CL85 **Annual Overview and Scrutiny Reports**

The noting of the Annual Overview and Scrutiny reports were proposed by Councillor J. Clarke and seconded by Councillor D. Brown.

RESOLVED that the Annual Overview and Scrutiny reports be noted.

CL86 **Recommendations from Cabinet and Other Committees**

i) Regeneration Update – Capital Programme

At the Cabinet meeting held on the 21st February 2024 a report by Deputy Chief Executive, Strategic Director – Economy & Transformation was submitted and a recommendation put forward for Council approval.

Councillor K. Wilson moved the recommendation for council approval.

Councillor S. Croft seconded the recommendation.

A vote was taken.

RESOLVED that the revision of the NABCEL Shareholder Committee, to Shareholder Committee with amended terms of reference to include Grayson Place (NBBC) Ltd and any future company(ies) that the Council may establish/ jointly establish be approved.

Councillor K. Kondakor requested that his vote against the recommendation be noted in the minutes.

ii) Borough Plan Review – Examination in Public

At the Cabinet meeting held on 10th April 2024 a report by the Assistant Director – Planning was submitted, and a recommendation put forward for Council approval.

Councillor R. Smith moved the recommendation for council approval.

Councillor K. Wilson seconded the recommendation.

A vote was taken.

RESOLVED that

- a) the examining Planning Inspectors be requested to recommend to the Council modifications to the submitted Borough Plan Review Documents in the event that the Inspectors consider that such modifications would be necessary to make the submitted plan sound and legally compliant, pursuant to S20(7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended);
- b) Delegated Authority be given to the Assistant Director for Planning in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regulation to suggest and agree any necessary modifications to the Borough Plan Review Documents deemed necessary by the Planning Inspectors during the examination process, to ensure the Plan is sound and legally compliant, pursuant to S20(7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended); and
- c) Delegated Authority be given to the Assistant Director for Planning in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regulation to enable Officers to consult on any modifications, deemed necessary by the Inspectors.

Councillor K. Kondakor requested that his vote against the recommendations be noted in the minutes.

Councillor K. Evans requested that his vote for the recommendations be noted in the minutes.

Mayor

Council - Schedule of Declarations of Interests – 2023/2024

	Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
	General dispensations granted to all members under s.33 of the Localism Act 2011			Granted to all members of the Council in the areas of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Housing matters - Statutory sick pay under Part XI of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 - An allowance, payment given to members - An indemnity given to members - Any ceremonial honour given to members - Setting council tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 - Planning and Licensing matters - Allotments - Local Enterprise Partnership
	R. Baxter-Payne	Employed by Vinci Construction Major Projects UK Ltd (VCMP UK Ltd); County Councillor - WCC	Spouse: Self-employed childminder Member of the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Midlands Combined Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee • Warwickshire Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (substitute) 	
	B. Beetham	Senior PowerBi Lead at Wye Valley Hospital Trust; Warwickshire County Council – Camp Hill	Member of the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camp Hill Urban Village: Pride in Camp Hill Board • Committee of Management of Hartshill and Nuneaton Recreation Ground 	
	D. Brown	Employed by H.M Land Registry	Regional Coordinator, Ragdoll Rescue Charity. Representative on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhall Education Foundation (Council appointment). 	
	C. Cape	Director of Capability Coaching and Consultancy Ltd.	Member of the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Armed Forces Covenant Meeting 	

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	J. Clarke	Employed by Marcus Jones MP	County Councillor W.C.C. Nuneaton Conservative Association; Deputy Chairman Officer of the Abbey Preceptory No.541 - Nuneaton	
	T. Cooper	None	Member on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camp Hill Urban Village: Pride in Camp Hill Board • Committee of Management of Hartshill and Nuneaton Recreation Ground 	
	J. Coventry-Moreton	School Receptionist – St Nicholas Chamberlain School, Bedworth	Share in rental dwelling at Sealand Drive, Bedworth and Tresilian Road, Bedworth.	
	S. Croft	Employed at Holland & Barrett Retail Ltd	Member of the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Champion for Safeguarding (Children and Adults) • Local Government Superannuation Scheme Consultative Board • West Midlands Employers 	
	L. Cvetkovic	Head of Geography (Teacher), Sidney Stringer Academy, Coventry	The Bulkington Volunteers (Founder); Bulkington Sports and Social Club (Trustee) Member on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building Control Partnership Steering Group 	
	L. Downs	River Bars Limited; Coventry Plus Beyond the Plane Little Caesars Donuts Limited NBBC Council Contract for market pitch	Member on the following Outside Body: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hammersley, Smith and Orton Charity 	
	K. Evans	Employed by the Local Government Association	Sponsorship: Election Expenses – North Warwickshire Conservative Association	

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			<p>Membership of Other Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substitute Member of the West Midlands Combined Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee <p>Member of the Bedworth Conservative Club Member of the Conservative Party.</p>	
	C. Golby		<p>Member of Warwickshire County Council.</p> <p>Membership of Other Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton and Bedworth Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership • Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd. • Nuneaton and Bedworth Home Improvement Agency • Safer Warwickshire Partnership Board • Warwickshire Housing and Support Partnership • Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel • George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust – Public/User Board • George Eliot Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Governors • District Leaders (substitute) • Local Enterprise Partnership (substitute) • Coventry, Warwickshire and Hinckley and Bosworth Joint Committee (substitute) 	
	M. Green	Employed by Horiba Mira – Engineering Technician	<p>Chair of Education Standards Committee – St Thomas More School. School Appeals Panel Member Our Lady of the Angels Church. President – St Vincent De Paul Society Nuneaton. Director – Holy Spirit Catholic Multi Academy Company. Member of the George Eliot Fellowship</p> <p>Member of Other Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friendship Project for Children. 	

	Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton Education Strategy Group • Trustee of Abbey Theatre 	
	J. Gutteridge		<p>Representative on the following Outside Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warwickshire Health and Wellbeing Board • Age UK (Warwickshire Branch) • Committee of Management of Hartshill and Nuneaton Recreation Ground • West Midlands Combined Authority Wellbeing Board <p>Member of NABCEL</p>	
	B. Hammersley	County Councillor – W.C.C.	<p>Member on the following Outside Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hammersley, Smith and Orton Charity 	
	S. Harbison	Self Employed	<p>Member of Conservative and Unionist Party.</p> <p>Member on the following Outside Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Astley Charity 	
	J. Hartshorn	Employed by Asda Nuneaton	Member of Nuneaton Conservatives	
	J. Kennaugh	<p>County Councillor W.C.C.</p> <p>Employed by FedEx Express UK Ltd</p>	<p>Member of the W.C.C. Regulatory Committee</p> <p>Member of the Conservative Party</p> <p>Member of UNITE the Union</p> <p>Member on the following Outside Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EQUiP 	
	K.A. Kondakor	Electronic and Embedded Software Design Engineer (self-employed)	<p>Unpaid Director of 100% Renewables UK Ltd</p> <p>Green Party (E&W)</p>	
	S. Markham	County Councillor – WCC (Portfolio Holder for Children’s Services)	<p>Governor at Ash Green School</p> <p>Member of the following Outside Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton and Bedworth Sports Forum • Warwickshire Direct Partnership • Warwickshire Waste Partnership • Sherbourne Asset Co Shareholder Committee • Hammersley, Smith and Orton Charities 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trustee of Abbey Theatre 	
	G. Moreton	Member of School Appeals Panels at Warwickshire County Council	Share in rental dwellings at Sealand Drive, Bedworth and Tresillian Road, Exhall. Member on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bedworth Neighbourhood Watch Committee 	
	B. Pandher		Member of Warwickshire County Council President & Trustee of Nanaksar Gurdwara Gursikh Temple Coventry; Coordinator of Council of Sikh Temples in Coventry; Secretary of Coventry Indian Community; Trustee of Sikh Monument Trust Vice Chair Exhall Multicultural Group Member of the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foleshill Charity Trustee – Proffitt’s Charity Conservative Party 	
	N. Phillips	Employee of DWP	Member of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nuneaton Labour CLP The Fabian Society The George Eliot Society The PCS Union Central Credit Union Stockingford Sports and Allotment Club Haunchwood Sports and Social Club 	
	J. Sheppard		Partnership member of the Hill Top and Caldwell Big Local. Director of Wembrook Community Centre. Member of Labour Party	Dispensation to speak and vote on any matters of Borough Plan that relate to the Directorship of Wembrook Community Centre
	T. Sheppard		Member of Unite Union Member of Labour Party	
	E. Shiers	Employed by and Director of Cannon Enterprise Ltd. Director of The Fresh	The Labour Party Coventry East Credit Union Member of the Pride in Camp	

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		Dessert Company	<p>Hill Board.</p> <p>Member of the governing board for Camp Hill Primary School.</p> <p>Member of the Board of Trustees of Camp Hill Community Association.</p> <p>Volunteer for the Coventry and Warwickshire district RSPCA</p> <p>Director Community Interest Company Chill (alternative education provision for young people)</p>	
	J. Singh	Owner of business named Gardening under Rural Services based at Sedgies, Bedworth.		
	R. Smith		<p>Chairman of Volunteer Friends, Bulkington;</p> <p>Trustee of Bulkington Sports and Social Club;</p> <p>Member of the following Outside Bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A5 Member Partnership; • PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulation Outside of London) Joint Committee; • Building Control Partnership Steering Group • Bulkington Village Community and Conference Centre • West Midlands Combined Authority and Land Delivery Board 	
	M. Tromans	<p>Warwickshire County Councillor (Galley Common)</p> <p>Share in a rental property in Hydes Pastures, Nuneaton</p>	<p>Member of WI</p> <p>Member of the Conservative Party</p>	
	R. Tromans	<p>Compliance, GIM, Coventry</p> <p>Warwickshire County Councillor (Weddington)</p> <p>Share in a rental property in Hydes Pastures, Nuneaton</p>	<p>Member of the Conservative Party</p> <p>Member of the Chartered Institute of Credit Management</p> <p>Represents WCC on the West Midlands Combined Authority Transport Board</p>	

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	M. Walsh	(Retired)Employed by Maclnnes Tooling Ltd. – UK Sales Manager		
	C.M. Watkins	Employee of Nutri Pack	Representative on the following outside bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd. (NABCEL) 	
	K.D. Wilson	Delivery Manager, Nuneaton and Warwick County Courts, HMCTS, Warwickshire Justice Centre, Nuneaton	Deputy Chairman – Nuneaton Conservative Association Board Member of the Conservative Association. Corporate Tenancies: properties are leased by NBBC to Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd, of which I am a Council appointed Director. Representative on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director of Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd (NABCEL) • Coventry, Warwickshire and Hinckley & Bosworth Joint Committee • District Council Network • Local Government Association • LGA People & Places Board (Member) • West Midlands Combined Authority 	
	M. Wright			