

MINUTES COUNCIL

Wednesday 19 March 2025

Councillor Ron McCrossen (Mayor)

Present:	Councillor Kyle Robinson-Payne	Councillor Paul Hughes
	Councillor Michael Adams	Councillor Alison Hunt
	Councillor Roy Allan	Councillor Darren Maltby
	Councillor Sandra Barnes	Councillor Viv McCrossen
	Councillor Stuart Bestwick	Councillor Julie Najuk
	Councillor David Brocklebank	Councillor Marje Paling
	Councillor John Clarke	Councillor Lynda Pearson
	Councillor Jim Creamer	Councillor Sue Pickering
	Councillor Andrew Dunkin	Councillor Catherine Pope
	Councillor Boyd Elliott	Councillor Grahame Pope
	Councillor David Ellis	Councillor Alex Scroggie
	Councillor Rachael Ellis	Councillor Martin Smith
	Councillor Roxanne Ellis	Councillor Sam Smith
	Councillor Andrew Ellwood	Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton
	Councillor Paul Feeney	Councillor Jane Walker
	Councillor Kathryn Fox	Councillor Henry Wheeler
	Councillor Helen Greensmith	Councillor Russell Whiting
	Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth	Councillor Paul Wilkinson

Absent: Councillor Lorraine Brown, Councillor Michael Payne, Councillor Ruth Strong and Michelle Welsh

67 THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The Mayor's Chaplain, Father Philipp Ziomek, addressed council and gave a reading.

68 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received for Councillors Brown, Strong, Payne and Welsh.

69 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The mayor highlighted the recent events that had taken place since the last meeting, especially noting the commonwealth events culminating in the event at the Embankment to unveil a plaque for our commonwealth friends.

The mayor gave details on the event taking place that weekend that the mayor hosted for the guests and thanked all those involved in their organisation.

He also gave details to support his charity bike ride from Nottingham to Skegness for Parkinsons UK.

70 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

71 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION INTERIM PLAN FOR NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Executive about the Local government reorganisation.

Cllr Adams, seconded by Cllr Smith proposed an amended recommendation to the interim plan in the following terms:

That Council

- 1) Notes the contents of the interim plan for the Local Government Reorganisation of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire at appendix c.
- 2) Agrees for the interim plan to be submitted to government by 21.03.2025
- 3) Agrees that the council will work collaboratively with other authorities across Nottinghamshire and Nottingham with a view for developing final proposal for local government reorganisation for submission to government by 28.11.2025.
- 4) Endorses option 2 as set out in the interim plan in appendix c one unitary covering Nottingham city and one unitary covering the county of Nottinghamshire as preference.

Cllr Ellis, seconded by Cllr Scroogie moved for a short adjournment. On being put to a vote the adjournment was carried

Meeting was adjourned at 18:25
Meeting continues at 18:35

Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Adams moves for a named vote on the amendment.

Being put to the vote 10 vote for, 27 voted against, therefore the motion was not carried.

	For	Against
Cllr Adams	1	

Cllr Allan		1
Cllr Barnes		2
Cllr Bestwick	2	
Cllr Brocklebank		3
Cllr Clarke		4
Cllr Creamer		5
Cllr Dunkin		6
Cllr Elliott	3	
Cllr David Ellis		7
Cllr Rachel Ellis		8
Cllr Roxanne Ellis		9
Cllr Ellwood		10
Cllr Feeney		11
Cllr Fox		12
Cllr Greensmith	4	
Cllr Hollingsworth		13
Cllr Hughes		14
Cllr Hunt		15
Cllr R McCrossen		16
Cllr Maltby	5	
Cllr V McCrossen		17
Cllr Najuk		18
Cllr Paling		19
Cllr Pearson		20
Cllr Pickering	6	
Cllr C Pope		21
Cllr G Pope		22
Cllr Robinson Payne		23
Cllr Scroggie		24
Cllr M Smith	7	
Cllr S Smith	8	
Cllr Towsey-Hinton		25
Cllr Walker	9	
Cllr Wheeler		26
Cllr Whiting	10	
Cllr Wilkinson		27

Proposer: Cllr Michael Adams
 Secunder: Cllr Sam Smith

Cllr Whiting, seconded by Cllr Hughes proposed an amended recommendation to the interim plan in the following terms:

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- 4) Notwithstanding any future developments the current preference of Gedling Borough Council is that we are not part of any merger with Nottingham City Council.

Cllr Ellis, seconded by Cllr Adams proposed an adjournment to consider the amendment.

After being put to the vote the motion for an adjournment was not carried

Cllr Hughes, seconded by Cllr Whiting requested a named vote

After being put to the vote 13 vote for, 24 voted against, therefore the motion was not carried.

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Cllr Bestwick	2	
Cllr Brocklebank		3
Cllr Clarke		4
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Cllr Roxanne Ellis		8
Cllr Ellwood	5	
Cllr Feeney		9
Cllr Fox		10
Cllr Greensmith	6	
Cllr Hollingsworth		11
Cllr Hughes	7	
Cllr Hunt		12
Cllr R McCrossen		13
Cllr Maltby	8	
Cllr V McCrossen		14
Cllr Najuk		15
Cllr Paling		16
Cllr Pearson		17
Cllr Pickering	9	
Cllr C Pope		18
Cllr G Pope		19

Cllr Robinson Payne		20
Cllr Scroggie		21
Cllr M Smith	10	
Cllr S Smith	11	
Cllr Towsey-Hinton		22
Cllr Walker	12	
Cllr Wheeler		23
Cllr Whiting	13	
Cllr Wilkinson		24

Proposer: Cllr Russell Whiting

Seconder: Cllr Paul Hughes

The Mayor returned to the substantive motion

Cllr Adams, seconded by Cllr Smith requested a named vote for the substantive motion.

RESOLVED:

Being put to the vote, 27 vote in favour, 10 voted against, therefore the motion was carried.

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Cllr Pearson	20	

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Cllr C Pope	21	
Cllr G Pope	22	
Cllr Robinson Payne	23	
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The meeting finished at 7.42 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: