

# Agenda Annex

## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

### MEETING OF THE COUNCIL – 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2024

#### List of Amendments to Notices of Motion received by the Chief Executive

#### ITEM OF BUSINESS NO. 7 – NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING “MENTAL HEALTH IN THE WORKPLACE”

1. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Sophie Thornton, seconded by Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the addition of new paragraphs (h) and (i) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original paragraph (h) as a new paragraph (j):-
    - (h) believes that the establishment of a statutory, independent Mental Health Commissioner would provide greater representation for people in all areas struggling with mental health problems;
    - (i) believes that extraordinary wait times for ADHD and autism assessments contribute to poor mental health in Sheffield;
  2. the deletion of the original paragraph (i);
  3. the addition of a new paragraph (k) as follows:-
    - (k) would welcome proposed legislative changes to modernise employment rights to boost mental health at work, such as making flexible working a day-one right and setting a higher minimum wage rate for zero-hours contract workers;
  4. the re-lettering of the original paragraphs (j) to (n) as new paragraphs (l) to (p).
2. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Angela Argenzio, seconded by Councillor Martin Phipps

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the addition of new paragraphs (l) to (n) as follows:-
  - (l) believes that the ongoing mental wellbeing of thousands of local government workers is being adversely affected by the instability of Local Government finances;

- (m) believes that harsher steps to make people who are signed off work and claiming sickness benefit look for work will only exacerbate poor mental health in the workplace;
  - (n) welcomes the new Mental Health pilot in Gleadless Valley, one of only six in the country, and pledges to give full support and backing to Heeley Trust in delivering this pilot with the NHS;
2. the re-lettering of the original paragraphs (l) and (m) as new paragraphs (o) and (p);
  3. the addition of new paragraphs (q) and (r) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original paragraph (n) as a new paragraph (s):-
    - (q) ask the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with a copy of this motion, to request parity of mental health funding with physical health care and to urgently act to reduce waiting times for accessing mental health services for all ages;
    - (r) ask the Chief Executive to write to the Deputy Prime Minister, with a copy of this motion, to ask for sustainable funding for Local Government to protect the services people rely on and the mental wellbeing of Council staff who deliver them;

**ITEM OF BUSINESS NO. 8 – NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING "YOUTH MOBILITY FOR THE CITY'S PROSPERITY"**

3. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Fran Belbin, seconded by Councillor Ben Miskell

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the deletion of all the words after paragraph (l); and
2. the addition of new paragraphs (m) to (r) as follows:-
  - (m) notes the new government has promised to mend the broken relationships with the EU, which was left behind by the previous government, prioritising a new UK-EU security pact, improvements to the UK's trade and investment relationship with the EU, and further agreements on agricultural products, and greatly welcomes these developments;
  - (n) supports the Government's work in resetting relationships with Europe and notes that since taking office the Prime Minister has visited overseas heads of European states and hosted Leaders of more than 40 countries from across the continent for the European Political Community meeting in Oxfordshire;

- (o) notes that whilst the European Commission's proposal for a Youth Mobility Scheme was rejected by the previous government in April, this was also opposed by representatives of UK universities due to the proposal that students on the scheme could pay the home fees of the university they attended, with UK universities making clear this would lead to a significant loss in income;
- (p) notes that further proposals on the Youth Mobility Scheme will come forward from the EU Commission next year, and hopes this will be more satisfactory to UK universities than the original proposal;
- (q) believes the previous government failed spectacularly to tackle skills shortages and other problems in the UK labour market, and supports the new government pursuing a different approach which links migration policy to skills and labour market policies; and
- (r) believes that the previous government did significant economic damage to the country through their divisive and reckless approach to our European friends, neighbours and allies.

4. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Paul Turpin, seconded by Councillor Peter Gilbert

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

- 1. the addition of a new paragraph (g) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original paragraphs (g) to (o) as new paragraphs (h) to (p):-
  - (g) that rejoining the Erasmus Programme was one of the recommendations of the UK Trade and Business Commission in 2023;
- 2. the addition of a new paragraph (q) as follows:-
  - (q) consider rejoining the EU at the earliest opportunity to allow all UK citizens the right of free movement and the right to live and work in the EU without restriction.

**ITEM OF BUSINESS NO. 9 – NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING "CELEBRATING THE CITY'S PARALYMPIANS AND OLYMPIANS AND THE POWER OF SPORT"**

5. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Kurtis Crossland, seconded by Councillor Richard Williams

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

- 1. the addition, in paragraph (e), of the words "Goalball UK" after the words "Para Badminton".

2. the addition of a new paragraph (j) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original paragraph (j) as a new paragraph (k):-

(j) reaffirm our commitment to addressing the differential in life expectancy across the city by promoting the Sports and Leisure Strategy and investing in sports and leisure buildings to provide access to high quality indoor and outdoor facilities for all residents of Sheffield;

6. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Marieanne Elliot, seconded by Councillor Brian Holmshaw

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the addition, in paragraph (a), of the words “and IOC Refugee Olympic Team” after the words “Team GB”.

2. the addition of a new paragraph (h) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original paragraphs (h) to (j) as new paragraphs (i) to (k):-

(h) celebrate the achievements of Cindy Ngumba, flagbearer for the IOC Refugee Olympic Team, who trains in Sheffield and won the Refugee Team's first medal;

#### **ITEM OF BUSINESS NO. 10 – NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING "SAVE THE SINGLE PERSON COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNT"**

7. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Elle Dodd, seconded by Councillor Ruth Milsom

That the Motion now submitted be amended by the deletion of all the words after the words “That this Council” and the addition of the following new paragraphs (a) to (g):-

(a) notes that the incoming government faces a reported £22 billion financial blackhole, and believes that whilst we need a full comprehensive spending review it is welcome the Government has indicated that the single person council tax discount will remain;

(b) welcomes the commitment by the Government to not raise taxes on working people – through no rises in income tax or VAT, and welcomes the Government’s mission to tackle economic insecurity – at work, at home, in our communities and public services;

(c) notes that the Government has committed to reforming the Department for Work and Pensions to decisively refocus on work – with action to drive higher engagement, higher employment and higher earnings – to boost living standards, power the economy and improve the public finances;

- (d) notes the difficulties facing local authorities and how inadequate council tax funding is at plugging the hole in council finances, and believes that a growing economy will be essential for supporting councils;
- (e) notes that local government funding is expected to move to multi-year settlements and believes that this will have a hugely positive impact on council funding;
- (f) supports the Government's commitment to reform the benefit system so that it encourages work and provides the right support; and
- (g) supports the Government's maintenance of the pension triple lock, meaning that the State Pension will go up by £460 next year.

8. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Christine Gilligan Kubo, seconded by Councillor Marieanne Elliot

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the addition of a new paragraph (g) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original paragraphs (g) to (k) as new paragraphs (h) to (l):-
  - (g) the cut to Winter Fuel payments and retention of the Two Child Cap on benefits shows that the new Government has made a political choice to place the burden on those who can least afford it;
2. the addition of new paragraphs (m) to (q) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original paragraphs (l) to (n) as new paragraphs (r) to (t):-
  - (m) to make Council Tax fairer, a re-valuation of Council Tax bands is needed to reflect big changes in value since 1991;
  - (n) those with the broadest shoulders should contribute more in taxes - those with assets above £10 million at 1% and assets above £1bn at 2% annually;
  - (o) with only a very small minority of people subject to a wealth tax, the overwhelming majority would benefit and those struggling would not bear the burden;
  - (p) the UK has one of the most concentrated land ownership systems in the world, with half of England being owned by less than 1% of the population;
  - (q) as part of shifting taxation towards wealth, a Land Value Tax would ensure that those with the most valuable and largest land holdings would contribute the most;
3. the addition, at the end of newly re-lettered paragraph (t) [the original paragraph (n)], of the words “, including the contents of this motion”.

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