

## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

### MEETING OF THE COUNCIL – 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023

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

#### ITEM OF BUSINESS NO.7 – NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING "A BETTER, BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR SHEFFIELD"

1. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed, seconded by Councillor Andrew Sangar

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the deletion of paragraphs (c) and (d);
  2. the addition of new paragraphs (c) to (e) as follows:-
    - (c) believes however, that the above developments will only be successful if they are subject to robust scrutiny;
    - (d) restates the findings from the Lowcock Inquiry which states that during the street tree dispute a 'bunker mentality' developed within the Council, with a culture that was 'unreceptive to external views [...] and prone to group think';
    - (e) believes that within the Council Chamber, the role of elected members is not only to 'talk Sheffield up' but to act as a 'critical friend' to officers, external partners, and each other, to ensure better, more well-rounded decisions are made; and
  3. the re-lettering of the original paragraph (e) as a new paragraph (f).
2. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Brian Holmshaw, seconded by Councillor Christine Gilligan Kubo

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the addition of a new paragraph (a) as follows, and the re-lettering of original paragraphs (a) to (e) as new paragraphs (b) to (f):-
  - (a) thanks the voters of Sheffield for turning out at the May 2023 elections and taking part in the democratic exercise of their vote;
2. the addition of a new paragraph (g) as follows:-

- (g) believes that our city is best served with all parties co-operating under No Overall Control, where councillors from all groups have to work together in the modern committee system in Sheffield's best interests.

**ITEM OF BUSINESS NO.8 – NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING "RESPONDING TO THE CHANGING SHAPE OF THE COST OF LIVING CRISIS LOCALLY"**

- 3. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Nighat Basharat, seconded by Councillor Fran Belbin

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

- 1. the re-lettering of paragraph (d) as a new paragraph (d)(i) and the addition of a new paragraph (d) (ii) as follows:-

- (d)(ii) notes that at the Strategy and Resources Policy Committee on 31st May 2023, councillors agreed that developing a new Customer Services strategy, that will be focused on the experience that the people of Sheffield have when accessing our services, is a key priority for the Committee;

- 2. the addition of a new paragraph (g) as follows:-

- (g)(i) notes the important work of the cross-party and cross-sector Cost-of-Living Strategy Group and the expertise and front-line experience that this Group has;

- (ii) notes the belief shared by the Strategic Group that a long-term strategic approach to preventing and reducing poverty and inequality in Sheffield is needed;

- (iii) therefore, believes that any decisions to allocate additional funding to reduce the impact of the cost-of-living crisis should be made after consultation with that Group; and

- (iv) believes that Local Area Committee funding needs to be put on a sustainable footing and calls for a fundamental review of LAC funding.

- 4. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Marieanne Elliot, seconded by Councillor Douglas Johnson

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

- 1. the addition of the words "and renters" at the end of sub-paragraph (b)(iv);

2. the addition of the words “or who speak English as a second language” at the end of sub-paragraph (c)(iv); and
3. the addition of new paragraphs (e) to (g) as follows, and the re-lettering of original paragraphs (e) and (f) as new paragraphs (h) and (i):-
  - (e) recalls that this Council passed a motion in June 2022, not just requesting the establishment of the Cost of Living Crisis Working Group but also requiring a “Customer Services Improvement Plan to be in place within 4 months, to show how it will aim to improve response times and accessibility to services, regardless of the community that customers come from or their background, language or disability; and recognising that the Council’s services also need to be available to people without access to the phone or internet”;
  - (f) therefore asks the Strategy and Resources Policy Committee to consider and report on a Customer Services Improvement Plan at the earliest opportunity;
  - (g) believes that timely access to independent advice on civil rights and obligations is fundamental and necessary in a fair society, whilst recognising that this does not relieve public authorities of their duty to carry out their services effectively and fairly;

**ITEM OF BUSINESS NO.9 – NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING "REAFFIRMING SHEFFIELD AS A CITY OF SANCTUARY"**

5. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Mike Levery, seconded by Councillor Ann Whitaker

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the addition of the words “, as climate change is a contributing and exacerbating factor in migration and conflict”, at the end of sub-paragraph (a)(ii);
2. the deletion of sub-paragraph (a)(v) and the addition of new sub-paragraphs (a)(v) and (vi) as follows:-
  - (v) a pledge to ‘Fight the Anti-Refugee Laws’ has received national support by Labour, the Green Party, and the Liberal Democrats; and
  - (vi) Sheffield City Council is the regulator for residential property in the City, including Home Office accommodation and that suitable education is provided;

3. the deletion of sub-paragraph (b)(iii), the re-lettering of sub-paragraph (b)(iv) as a new sub-paragraph (b)(iii), and the addition of new sub-paragraphs (b)(iv) and (v) as follows:-
  - (v) the UK must fix our broken asylum system, including through significantly improving the time taken to process applicants by removing asylum powers from the Home Office and granting them to a new dedicated unit, and providing safe and legal routes to sanctuary for refugees from all countries; and
  - (vi) the streamlined asylum processing model concentrates on asylum seekers from Afghanistan, Eritrea, Libya, Syria, and Yemen - this should be extended to all countries where refugees are displaced, such as Lebanon;
4. the addition of new sub-paragraphs (c)(vii) and (viii) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original sub-paragraphs (c)(vii) and (viii) as new sub-paragraphs (ix) & (x):-
  - (vii) call on the Government to set a clear target for processing future asylum claims;
  - (viii) call on the Government to ensure that families who have children settled in schools are no longer required to move accommodation;
5. the deletion of the original sub-paragraph (c)(ix) and the addition of a new sub-paragraph (c)(xi) as follows:-
  - (xi) make all councillors aware of the Council's Asylum and Migration Team, who coordinate with education services and facilitate meetings with the Home Office and contracted Home Office accommodation.
6. 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 a new sub-paragraph (c)(iv) as follows, and the re-lettering of original sub-paragraphs (c)(iv) to (ix) as new sub-paragraphs (c)(v) to (x):-
  - (c)(iv) request that the Housing Policy Committee considers adding to its work programme an item on Council powers and resources to protect migrants from discriminatory housing regulations, upholding locally defined standards and inspection processes;
2. the deletion of new sub-paragraph (c)(x)(C) [original sub-paragraph (c)(ix)(C)] and the re-lettering of sub-paragraph (c)(x)(D) as a new sub-paragraph (c)(x)(C); and

3. the addition of a new sub-paragraph (c)(xi) as follows:-

(c)(xi) requests that the Strategy and Resources Policy Committee considers adding to its work programme consideration of the Council's relationship with the Home Office and immigration enforcement, and an assessment of its current practices and the impact of the Hostile Environment policy on inclusion, equality and cohesion in Sheffield.

#### **ITEM OF BUSINESS NO.10 – NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING "MITIGATING THE IMPACT OF HOUSING GROWTH"**

7. Amendment to be moved by Councillor Ian Horner, seconded by Councillor Joe Otten

That the Motion now submitted be amended by:-

1. the addition of a new paragraph (h) as follows, and the re-lettering of the original paragraph (h) as a new paragraph (i):-

(h) furthermore notes that:-

(i) government guidance on how CIL is to be spent reads "*If there is no parish or town council, the charging authority will retain the levy receipts but should engage with the communities where development has taken place and agree with them how best to spend the neighbourhood funding.*";

(ii) while there was a consultation on the formula by which the neighbourhood portion raised in any area is now allocated to other areas, the neighbourhoods where funding is raised are not consulted on the projects the funding is spent upon; and

(iii) this lack of consultation is a consequence of the policy of the Council to spend neighbourhood portions of CIL in neighbourhoods other than where they are raised;

2. the addition of a new sub-paragraph (vii) to the newly re-lettered paragraph (i) [original paragraph (h)], as follows:-

(i)(vii) the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee to consider adding to its work programme a review of the policy of redistributing the neighbourhood portion of CIL so that the guidance regarding consultation can be meaningfully honoured.

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