

Coventry City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Council held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 12 June 2018

Present:

Members: Councillor J Blundell (Chair)

Councillor F Abbott	Councillor A Lucas
Councillor P Akhtar	Councillor P Male
Councillor R Ali	Councillor K Maton
Councillor A Andrews	Councillor T Mayer
Councillor R Auluck	Councillor C Miks
Councillor L Bigham	Councillor J Mutton
Councillor J Birdi	Councillor M Mutton
Councillor R Brown	Councillor J O'Boyle
Councillor K Caan	Councillor G Ridley
Councillor J Clifford	Councillor E Ruane
Councillor G Crookes	Councillor K Sandhu
Councillor G Duggins	Councillor T Sawdon
Councillor L Harvard	Councillor P Seaman
Councillor P Hetherington	Councillor R Singh
Councillor J Innes	Councillor D Skinner
Councillor B Kaur	Councillor T Skipper
Councillor D Kershaw	Councillor H Sweet
Councillor A Khan	Councillor K Taylor
Councillor R Lakha	Councillor S Walsh
Councillor R Lancaster	Councillor D Welsh
Councillor M Lapsa	Councillor G Williams
Councillor J Lepoidevin	

Honorary Alderman G Gazey, J Wright

Apologies: Councillor N Akhtar, R Bailey, S Bains, L Kelly, J McNicholas, R Thay and C Thomas

M Hammon (Honorary Alderman)

Public Business

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Harry Walker

The Lord Mayor referred to the recent death of Harry Walker, a Coventry rugby legend who passed away last week aged 103.

Members noted that a letter had been sent to his family expressing the Council's sincere condolences.

3. Debate - Traffic Penalty Tribunal

To consider the following motion as set out in the requisition for an Extraordinary Meeting of the City Council signed by Councillors T Mayer, G Crookes, D Skinner, T Sawdon and K Taylor that was moved by Councillor T Mayer and seconded by Councillor T Sawdon:

“We, the undersigned, hereby call for an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council to discuss the recent Traffic Penalty Tribunal judgement with regard to signage and enforcement. This follows comments about “determination and delusion reminiscent of King Canute himself.

Furthermore, we urge the Cabinet Member for City Services to accept responsibility for misleading Full Council and call on the Cabinet Member to apologise and outline steps to be taken to address the issue”.

Councillor A Khan moved the following amendment which was seconded by Councillor G Duggins and carried:

After the words “signage and enforcement” delete the rest of the Motion and insert the following:

“and note Coventry City Council’s legal position”that the RPZ should continue as it is a lawful RPZ capable of being legally enforced...”

Furthermore, we urge the Cabinet Member for City Services to continue to work in conjunction with the Deputy Leader of the Council to address issues of signage and enforcement in respect to the RPZ”

The amended motion now to read:

“We the undersigned hereby call for an Extraordinary meeting of Council to discuss the recent traffic penalty tribunal judgement with regard to the signage and enforcement and note Coventry City Council’s legal position.... “that the RPZ should continue as it is a lawful RPZ capable of being legally enforced....”

Furthermore we urge the Cabinet Member for City Services to continue to work in conjunction with the Deputy Leader of the Council to address issues of signage and enforcement in respect to the RPZ”.

The following further amendment was moved by Councillor T Sawdon and seconded by Councillor T Mayer and lost:

That the Motion be amended by adding the following words at the end:

“and cancel the PCNs as recommended by the Adjudicator and apologise to those motorists who received PCNs due to inadequate signage”.

RESOLVED that the following amended Motion be adopted:

**“We the undersigned hereby call for an Extraordinary meeting of Council to discuss the recent traffic penalty tribunal judgement with regard to the signage and enforcement and note Coventry City Council’s legal position....
“that the RPZ should continue as it is a lawful RPZ capable of being legally enforced....”**

Furthermore we urge the Cabinet Member for City Services to continue to work in conjunction with the Deputy Leader of the Council to address issues of signage and enforcement in respect to the RPZ”.

(Meeting closed at 3.30pm)