

Time and Date

2.00 pm on Tuesday, 25th March, 2025

Place

Council Chamber - Council House

1. **Apologies**
2. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 February 2025** (Pages 7 - 20)
3. **Coventry Good Citizen Award**
To be presented by the Lord Mayor and Judge Lockhart, Honorary Recorder
4. **Correspondence and Announcements of the Lord Mayor**
5. **Petitions**
6. **Declarations of Interest**

Matters Left for Determination by the City Council/Recommendations for the City Council

It is anticipated that the following matter will be referred as Recommendations from the Cabinet Member for Policy and Leadership held on 17 March 2025. The report is attached. The relevant Recommendations will be circulated separately.

7. **Nominations for the Coventry Award of Merit** (Pages 21 - 32)

It is anticipated that the following matters will be referred as Recommendations from Cabinet, 18 March 2025. The reports are attached. The relevant Recommendations will be circulated separately.

8. **Coventry Community Safety Partnership Plan 2025-2028** (Pages 33 - 126)
9. **West Midlands Combined Authority Grant Funding to Coventry 2025-26** (Pages 127 - 146)
10. **Local Government Association (LGA) Corporate Peer Challenge 2024 - Outcome of Progress Review** (Pages 147 - 172)
11. **Homes in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) Development Plan Document (DPD) Adoption** (Pages 173 - 272)

12. **Re-commissioning of Long-Term Home Support** (Pages 273 - 296)

Item for Consideration

13. **Annual Pay Policy Statement 2025/26** (Pages 297 - 312)

Report of the Director of People Services

Other Matters

14. **Question Time** (Pages 313 - 314)

- (a) Written Question – Booklet 1
- (b) Oral Questions to Chairs of Scrutiny Boards/Chair of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee
- (c) Oral Questions to Chairs of other meetings
- (d) Oral Questions to Representatives on Outside Bodies
- (e) Oral Questions to Cabinet Members and Deputy Cabinet Members on any matter

15. **Statements (if any)**

16. **Debates**

- (a) To be moved by Councillor R Singh and seconded by Councillor P Seaman

In light of the growing challenges posed by misinformation and the simplifications of complex issues by unsavoury elements to incite deeper divisions in society and make us a weak civilisation, we, the members of the Coventry City Council, propose that Coventry, actively encourage constructive political dialogue grounded in authentic facts and civilised discourse. To ensure the integrity of our conversations, we suggest the following fundamental rules:

1. Foundation of Facts: Any claims presented as factual must be based on reputable sources, avoiding reliance on theories propagated by conspiracy groups, cults, unsavoury groups and individuals that lack authenticity.

2. Freedom of Speech: We affirm that Freedom of speech is a sacred right. So clearly identifying facts, opinions, and personal theories and disclosing sources will go a long way to ensure that Freedom of speech is used in its spirit rather than uttering things to generate a reaction for a particular tone in our discourse,

3 Acknowledging inequality exists, and any one of us can suffer from inequalities of many kinds, but addressing inequality should not restrict one group from benefiting in place of another; rather, it should focus on facilitating opportunities for everyone to reach their highest potential.

4. Responsible Discourse: Individuals aspiring to senior leadership roles or holding elected office should avoid engaging in social media disputes over complex subjects, recognising their responsibility to foster mature debate instead.

5. Community Strength: Coventry has long demonstrated resilience and unity. We must respond proactively to the challenges of misinformation and the oversimplification of complex matters.

6. Call to Action: We appeal to all civic-minded individuals, our National Government, and relevant organisations to remain vigilant and safeguard our political and social discourse against fake news, misinformation, and conspiratorial thinking. Also, facilitate better debates and dialogue opportunities

Together, we can strengthen our collective resolve and work towards a brighter future for all Coventry citizens. Let us unite to foster a political environment that values truth, inclusivity, and civility in dialogue.

Conclusion:

We call upon Coventry City Council to endorse this motion and to be a beacon of constructive communication and community resilience.

- (b) To be moved by Councillor T Sawdon and seconded by Councillor J Blundell

"This 'Council instructs officers that they are required to consult relevant Ward Councillors at an early stage of any planning application where a 106 agreement is involved."

- (c) To be moved by Councillor E Reeves and seconded by Councillor S Gray

"This council recognises that government proposals to cut disability benefits will hurt many of the most vulnerable people in Coventry and are likely to significantly increase the demand on social services, the NHS, other support services, and communities.

Therefore we commit to doing what we can to support disabled people within Coventry who are affected by these cuts.

We also commit to writing a letter to the Prime Minister and the Chancellor of the Exchequer opposing such cuts and to writing to all of Coventry's MPs to ask them to vote against these cuts."

Julie Newman, Director of Law and Governance, Council House, Coventry

Monday, 17 March 2025

Note: The person to contact about the agenda and documents for this meeting is Carolyn Sinclair/Suzanne Bennett 024 7697 2302 / 2299

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