

Council Thursday, 12 February 2015, 10.00 am, County Hall, Worcester, WR5 2NP

Agenda

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7	Notices of MotionTo receive the report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services on any Notices of Motion received (lilac pages).Councillors are asked to note that any Notices of Motion must be received by the Head of Legal and democratic Services no later than noon on Thursday, 5 February 2015.	13 - 16

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7. NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion 1 – Humanitarian Relief

1. The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reports that he has received the following four Notices of Motion. The Constitution provides that any submitted motion must be moved and seconded at the meeting. Otherwise, unless postponed with the consent of the Council, it will be treated as withdrawn.

2. If a motion is in relation to the exercise of an **executive function** it will be referred to the Cabinet for decision (if applicable this will be indicated below). Otherwise the Council may decide itself to determine the Motion, or refer it to the Cabinet or another appropriate Committee for advice before determining it at the next available meeting.

3. This motion is not in relation to the exercise of an executive function and the Council may decide to determine the Motion.

4. Notice of Motion standing in the names of Prof. J W Raine, Mrs E B Tucker, Mrs S Askin, Mrs F M Oborski and Mr M E Jenkins:

"The County Council wishes to play its part in the humanitarian relief programme for Syria by responding to the UK Government's call for local authorities to host small numbers of refugee families – doing so by asking the relevant Cabinet Members with Responsibility to consider providing their support and expertise to a Malvern Hills District Council-led initiative to host up to twelve such families.

We would ask Cabinet Members with Responsibility to consider committing to working collaboratively with Malvern Hills District Council and other local agencies, initially to develop a support framework and strategy as the basis of an application to the Home Office's Syrian Vulnerable Persons' Relocation Scheme (and, if successful, to participate in the implementation of the strategy by receiving, welcoming and supporting Syrian families through their process of resettlement)."

Notice of Motion 2 – Quality of social care for people who are elderly	5. This motion is not in relation to the exercise of an executive function and the Council may decide to determine the Motion.
	6. Notice of Motion standing in the names of Mrs E B Tucker, Prof J W Raine, Mrs S Askin, Mr M E Jenkins and Mrs F M Oborski:
	"This Council will always want to ensure that the social care we commission for residents in their own homes is consistently of good quality and delivered with respect and kindness. The same applies to the residents whom we place in residential and nursing homes.
	We believe that the staff employed to provide this care should be given recognition and support for the valuable work they do and that this needs to be reflected in their terms and conditions, including pay and training. We are particularly concerned that our contracts do not insist that travel time between home care visits is paid and instead merely require that at least the minimum wage is paid for the day's work which includes travel time.
	Recognising that this will be a costly ambition, realistically it may have to be achieved in stages. Meanwhile, we call for an in-depth scrutiny exercise to be carried out to examine how levels of pay, training and of public recognition can impact on the assured quality of care delivered. We ask that it includes comparisons with best practice of other councils and clarifies the criteria used to judge the cost and sustainability of quality care when considering tenders for contracts."
Notice of Motion 3 – Safer roads	7. This motion is not in relation to the exercise of an executive function and the Council may decide to determine the Motion.
	8. Notice of Motion standing in the names of Mr P M McDonald, Mr L C R Mallett, Ms P A Hill, Mr R C Lunn, Ms P Agar, Mr C J Bloore and Mr G J Vickery:
	"With the growing number of accidents and near misses around our schools it is imperative that action is taken to ensure the roads are safe for children and motorists. Therefore Council requests the Cabinet Member with Responsibility to consider that all schools are placed on the Primary Gritting Route."

Notice of Motion 4 – Spending on care	9. This motion is not in relation to the exercise of an executive function and the Council may decide to determine the Motion.
	10. Notice of Motion standing in the names of Mr G J Vickery, Mr C J Bloore, Mr R C Lunn, Ms P A Hill and Mr P M McDonald:
	"This Council notes that due to Government cuts to local government, Adult Social Care provision in Worcestershire is now perilously thin. Despite the best efforts of care staff some of the most vulnerable people in our county are being forced to resort to emergency care, leading to huge A&E waiting times and an overburdening of our hospitals.
	Council calls on the Government to create an NHS with the time to care by levying a tax on the tobacco companies so that 36,000 more NHS frontline staff, including 5,000 more home care workers, can be recruited."
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Background Papers	In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Head of Legal and Democratic Services) there are no background papers relating to the subject matter of this report.

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