

COUNCIL
14 FEBRUARY 2019**NOTICES OF MOTION**

Notices of Motion Received

1. The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reports that he has received the following 3 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 Otherwise, unless postponed with the consent of the Council, it will be treated as withdrawn.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.

Notice of Motion 1 – Works carried out under the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991

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: Mr M J Hart, Mr A D Kent, Mrs J A Brunner, Mr G R Brookes Mrs E A Eyre, Mr A Stafford, Mr P A Tuthill.

"This Council is concerned at the increasing number of complaints with regards to works carried out under the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991.

Recent examples seen have produced a flood of complaints regarding temporary traffic lights installed with inadequate signage, poor response to complaints when said lights fail, lights installed without permits, third party contractors employed by statutory companies with inadequate training and supervision, poor quality and dangerous works that have resulted in emergency additional road closure orders for safety reasons, blocking of highways with plant, mud and rubble left on the highway and inadequate signage and lighting for pedestrians. In one recent case a large section of the highway was destroyed and will need replacing due to the poor quality works carried out.

The works carried out often require Worcestershire County Council's highways officers to respond at Worcestershire County Council's expense to cover for the inadequate service, works and supervision from the statutory companies. This Council agrees that it is completely unacceptable that Worcestershire tax payers' money should be used to pay for this.

As a Council we are proud of the excellent reputation and performance of our highways and repairs and this Council resolves to request the Cabinet Member

with Responsibility for Highways bring a report to a future meeting of Cabinet setting out how Worcestershire County Council can ensure that those statutory undertakers, utility companies and third parties not meeting our excellent standards when undertaking works on the highway are held to financial account and scrutiny."

Notice of Motion 2 – Care Workers

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 Mr R M Udall, Mr R C Lunn, Ms C M Stalker, Ms P A Hill, Mr C J Bloore, and Mr L C R Mallett:

"Council acknowledges and respects the 15,000 Worcestershire residents who work in the care industry. Many more residents are dependent upon their care. Council asks the Cabinet Member Responsible to consider ways in which their work can be celebrated and encouraged and how more people can consider care work as a viable career option."

Notice of Motion 3 – The impact of NHS car parking charges on on-street parking near hospital sites in Worcestershire

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 C J Bloore, Mr R M Udall, Mr L C R Mallett, Ms C M Stalker, Ms P A Hill and Mr R C Lunn:

"Council notes the ongoing problems of car parking outside and near hospital sites in Worcestershire affecting on-street parking and the significant disadvantages faced by some Worcestershire residents accessing acute hospital sites due to a lack of public transport.

Council believes that as a direct consequence of NHS car parking charges many patients are seeking to find free on-street car parking near hospital sites, leading to dangerous and anti-social parking near hospital sites in Worcester, Redditch and Kidderminster, adversely affecting the statutory road traffic regulation functions of the Council.

Council believes it is wrong for its Council Taxpayers' funds to be spent on the consequential traffic regulation orders, the painting of yellow lines, resident parking permit schemes and the cost of enforcing such orders when action that is more effective can be taken.

Council requests that the Leader of the Council invite the Chief Executive of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Trust, Matthew Hopkins, to meet to discuss ongoing problems of on-street parking on the Council's road infrastructure and to urge him to consider removing car parking charges on Worcestershire

Hospital sites in order to reduce the adverse impact upon the Council's functions.

Council also requests that the Leader of the Council write to the Secretary of State for Health, Matt Hancock, calling for funding to run a pilot of free car parking on Worcestershire Hospital sites in order to assess the impact on the Council's functions."

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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.