

COUNCIL
10 SEPTEMBER 2020**NOTICES OF MOTION**

Notices of Motion Received

1. The Assistant Director for Legal and Governance reports that he has received the following 5 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 Otherwise, unless postponed with the consent of the Council, it will be treated as withdrawn.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 – Apprenticeships and employment for the 16-24 age group

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 A D Kent, Mr R J Morris, Mrs L C Hodgson, Mrs S A Webb, Mrs R Vale, Mr J H Smith, and Ms K J May:

“Many Worcestershire residents have been affected by the lockdown and consequences of the Covid 19 outbreak.

However our younger residents in the 16-24 age group have been severely affected due to local job losses and redundancies removing opportunities that they need to start in employment.

Worcestershire County Council is an ardent supporter of apprenticeships both within the Council and outside.

This motion calls on the cabinet member responsible to identify what measures can be taken by ourselves, our partners and Worcestershire LEP to promote opportunities for apprenticeships and employment for the 16-24 age group, ensuring that support and help is available to local employers to encourage them to invest in our youth.”

Notice of Motion 2 – Utilise heat from Energy from Waste plant

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, Mrs F M Oborski, Mr M E Jenkins and Prof J W Raine:

“In the battle against climate change, we as a council have an important role to play, both in what we directly control and through our influence across the county. The Cabinet is shortly due to adopt a Carbon Zero Plan that should help us reduce our carbon emissions as soon as possible. This is just the start. The county council’s own data shows that 67% of our carbon emissions in 2018/19 came from household waste. The vast majority of this is from the Energy from Waste plant at Hartlebury.

A small amount of electricity is generated by the plant and goes to power local households. However, the huge potential for using the heat generated by the plant has so far not been realised.

Clearly the attempts to get businesses to locate near to the Energy from Waste plant and utilise this heat have so far failed. Therefore, we need an urgent investigation into how we can use this heat to generate energy that can be used within the county. As a net importer of energy, it is important for Worcestershire to increase local renewable generation, to improve resilience, keep value streams within the local economy and to reduce our carbon emissions.

An example of this being done not too far from here is a planned district heating network that will use heat from an Energy from Waste facility at Trident Park in Cardiff. It will use heat generated from the plant to generate enough electricity to power around 68,448 households.

Our motion calls for a cross-party investigation into the options for utilising the heat generated from the Energy from Waste plant at Hartlebury.

This Council calls on the cabinet to set up a serious investigation, preferably including cross-party councillor representation, into the alternative ways this wasted heat potential could be utilised, together with the associated challenges and project costs of each method.”

Notice of Motion 3 – Adult Day Centres

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 R C Lunn, Mr P M McDonald Mr R M Udall, Mr P Denham, Ms P A Hill and Ms C M Stalker:

“Following the easing of Covid restrictions, Council requests that every effort should be made by Cabinet to reopen Adult Day Centres within the next 10 days.”

Notice of Motion 4 – Access to electric car charging points

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 R C Lunn, Mr P M McDonald Mr R M Udall, Mr P Denham, Ms P A Hill and Ms C M Stalker:

“Council are very keen to enable all people who wish to have electric cars to have access to charging points on the highway. We call on the Cabinet Member responsible to introduce a pilot in Worcester City to see how this can be economically rolled out in the rest of the county.”

Notice of Motion 5 – Kinship Carers

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

12. Notice of Motion standing in the names of Mr R C Lunn, Mr P M McDonald Mr R M Udall, Mr P Denham, Ms P A Hill and Ms C M Stalker:

“Council recognises the important contribution from kinship carers in the county. However, some kinship carers especially grandparents and older siblings can face unexpected hardship. stress and anxiety. Council therefore requests the Cabinet Member responsible to review the services and support available to kinship carers and to bring a report to Cabinet to consider what future help, support and assistance could be provided to help and support kinship carers in Worcestershire.”

Contact Points

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance) there are no background papers relating to the subject matter of this report.