

COUNCIL

13 JULY 2023

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notices of Motion Received

1. The Assistant Director for Legal and Governance reports that she 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 Otherwise, unless postponed with the consent of the Council, it will be treated as withdrawn.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 – Local Farmers

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 Cllrs Mel Allcott, Richard Udall, Dan Boatright-Greene, and Luke Mallett:

“Worcestershire County Council recognises and notes the huge contribution made by our local farmers to the Worcestershire economy and its rural communities. Council calls upon the Cabinet Members Responsible to bring a report to Cabinet which will consider:

- How Worcestershire County Council can develop stronger partnerships with our arable, livestock, and dairy farmers in order to enhance our magnificent countryside. How the Council can support farmers, by being sympathetic to diversification opportunities and promotion of local produce.
- How to support our local farmers by, where possible, ensuring that all food provided at council organised events is sourced from local suppliers; to include meat, dairy, and plant-based produce.
- Ways to encourage residents, where possible, to shop locally, taking advantage of home-grown, affordable and nutritious food, both plant and meat based thus reducing food miles to our plates and boosting the local economy.

- How as a council we can continue to support the Council's County Farms estate, by seeking new ways to ensure as landlord we use our influence with tenants to ensure decent pay and conditions for their employees and to encourage training and skills in farming and rural industries on our estates."

Notice of Motion 2 – Worcestershire Pride

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 Cllrs Mel Allcott, Richard Udall, Dan Boatright-Greene and Luke Mallett:

"Council sends its support and greetings to Worcestershire Pride and the wider Worcestershire LGBTQIA+ community.

Worcestershire Pride is due to take place on Saturday 15 July, in Worcester City Centre. Council calls upon the Leader of the Council to consider requesting a report to cabinet on how the County Council can provide even more support to Pride events in Worcestershire.

Furthermore, Council agrees to appoint an Equalities and Diversity Member Champion, who can work with the CMR to ensure any specific issues are tackled and addressed."

Notice of Motion 3 – LTP5 member engagement

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 Cllrs Matt Jenkins, Beverley Nielsen, Natalie McVey, Martin Allen and Malcolm Victory:

"Agreement has already been reached with the Chair of the Environment O&S Scrutiny Panel that LTP5 will be on their workplan. However, it is important that members are actively involved in the preparation of Local Transport Plan 5, rather than merely scrutinising the final version.

Hence, GAIA Group members propose the following approach is taken:

1. Engagement with local members during the consultation process and the formulation of LTP5, providing transparency of the emerging document for members and to ensure their views can feed into this strategy during development and be actively considered during drafting.
2. Follow the examples of many other LTPs in setting clear modal shift targets so Worcestershire can actively promote walking and pedestrianisation, cycling and public transport to hit government activity mobility targets of 50% in our towns and cities by 2030, especially for shorter journeys as over 60% of 1-2 mile journeys are currently made by car."

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.