

Minutes of a meeting of the
Worthing Council
18 July 2023
at 6.30 pm

Councillor Jon Roser (Chairman)
Councillor Ibsha Choudhury (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Helen Abrahams	Councillor Dr Heather Mercer
Councillor Noel Atkins	Councillor Nigel Morgan
*Councillor Mike Barrett	Councillor Richard Mulholland
Councillor Caroline Baxter	*Councillor Richard Nowak
Councillor Ödül Bozkurt	Councillor Dale Overton
Councillor Russ Cochran	Councillor Hilary Schan
Councillor Henna Chowdhury	Councillor Dawn Smith
Councillor Dr Beccy Cooper	Councillor Elizabeth Sparkes
Councillor Sophie Cox	Councillor Emma Taylor-Beal
*Councillor Dan Coxhill	Councillor Samuel Theodoridi
Councillor Rita Garner	*Councillor Hazel Thorpe
Councillor Cathy Glynn-Davies	Councillor John Turley
Councillor Dan Hermitage	Councillor Steve Waight
Councillor Margaret Howard	Councillor Carl Walker
*Councillor Daniel Humphreys	Councillor Vicki Wells
Councillor Claire Hunt	Councillor Andy Whight
Councillor Charles James	Councillor Rosey Whorlow
*Councillor Kevin Jenkins	

***Absent**

C/12/23-24 Apologies for Absence

The Mayor received apologies for absence from Councillors Barrett, Coxhill, Jenkins, Nowak, and Thorpe.

C/13/23-24 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Caroline Baxter declared an interest as an elected Member of West Sussex County Council.

C/14/23-24 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 23 May 2023 be approved as a correct record and that they be signed by the Mayor.

1. *Question submitted by Christine Beryl Brown, a Worthing Resident, to the Cabinet Member for Culture & Leisure*

Could you please tell me the timeline and breakdown of the budget that has been ring fenced for the Tarring tennis courts? They were shut before Christmas and now I note one is available but no one appears to be aware of this fact. Homefield Park tennis courts are exceptionally busy and it seems a great shame that a wonderful facility at Tarring is being allowed to fall into disuse, we all know how hard it is to resurrect something that has been neglected.

The Cabinet Member replied that these works had been tendered and would commence before the end of the year. The budget for the work was £209,300 with a contribution from a Lawn Tennis Association grant of up to £34,000. This scheme had been confirmed in the capital programme.

As for the timeline, the Council was currently working towards the tennis courts being onsite in late September / early October, as this project is interwoven with the works being undertaken on the Pavilion, which included the addition of a new accessible toilet, providing and improving the facilities for disabled participants. The works on the Pavilion would also provide female changing facilities.

The work on the Pavilion was due to begin in late July / early August and required access across the existing tennis courts in order to complete this work. The Council didn't wish for the new tennis courts to go in and then be damaged again by the access needed to complete the works on the Pavilion. Both projects were forecast to be completed by December this year, weather permitting.

2. *Question submitted by Ian Davey, a Worthing Resident, to the Leader*

At this meeting in December 2022 I asked for an update on progress delivering the Worthing BC Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP). As I recall you replied that there was none. However you did speak at length about three projects

- *The Durrington to Goring cycle route*
- *The Grove Lodge to the town centre cycle route*

Both of which you were discussing with WSCC.

- *The Goring seafront route from George Avenue to Sea Lane cafe*

Could you please provide an update on these three schemes

The Leader replied that the Council continued to work with WSCC colleagues regarding the Durrington to Goring cycle route and Grove Lodge to the town centre cycle route. Both of these routes were further consulted on via WSCC, supported by WBC communications, in the last couple of months to determine the appetite from the public / residents as to whether these move to the next stage of design.

The consultation only closed a few weeks ago and the Council was waiting for the results from WSCC. However, what I can say is whilst this Council was fully committed to improving cycling provision and conditions across our town, and we would like to see as many routes as possible improved, we understand that the Durrington to Goring cycle route could be the route to pursue at this current time.

As for the George V Avenue to Sea Lane route, we have now obtained the high level studies from WSCC on the work that was undertaken a few years ago and the Council are committed to taking this particular route to the next stage of design and public consultation. We are just determining the finance model to determine how quickly we can take this route forward, however with the installation of Donkey Bikes (bike hire location) at Sea Lane Cafe this demonstrates our commitment to opening up this route for cycling.

3. *Question submitted by Ian Davey, a Worthing Resident, to the Leader*

The Worthing BC Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) identifies the A259 Goring Road through Goring and Marine wards as a Primary cycle route. It currently has 40mph speed limits in sections, a narrow unsegregated cycle lane and unsurprisingly, very low levels of cycling. There are a number of locations with a high number of crashes or collisions along this corridor. These include at the junction with Alinora Avenue, the junction with Shaftesbury Rd, the George V Avenue roundabout (at the intersection with the proposed Durrington to Goring cycle route) and outside the Goring Road shops. There are a high number of vulnerable road users in this area including children attending nearby schools and many older people. What does the leader of the council think can be done to make this road and surrounding area safer for everyone. Doing so would help realise the Borough Council's vision of making Worthing Greener and Fairer.

The Leader replied that the Council recognised the importance of safe routes to encourage cycling and to support a range of users, and we had already identified that a number of east-west routes were as, if not even more, important than the north-south routes being reviewed by WSCC colleagues.

The Council was due to re-evaluate the LCWIP (in a Worthing sense) in the coming months to determine those key east-west routes that required attention and investment. The Council would need to do this in partnership with WSCC as the majority of routes identified in the LCWIP come under WSCC Highways maintenance and investment but I would support your view that even small interventions could make a big difference. We will be reviewing this route, along with others, to identify those routes that should be prioritised, noting a number of factors that you have indicated, such as proximity to schools, key routes, key locations etc.

4. *Question submitted by Jamie Home, a Worthing Resident, to the Cabinet Member for Housing & Citizen Services*

At this meeting (18th July 2023) you will be debating the motion from Councilor Heather Mercer - Article 4 direction - Houses in Multiple Occupation.

If you were to go ahead and approve the recommendations within the motion on Article 4 Direction, it is recognised that the work should be prioritised and completed within 6 months.

During this 6 month period, whilst this detailed work is carried out and before Article 4 Direction is determined and officially introduced, can it be guaranteed that any decisions that need to be made will be considered and aligned with the intent of article 4?

The Cabinet Member advised that the question pre-empted the debate of a motion later on the agenda.

5. *A question had been submitted in advance of the meeting by Jean Fraser. As Jean was not present, the Mayor advised that a written response to the question would be provided.*
6. *Question submitted by Val Turner, a Worthing Resident, to the Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing
Does this Council support safe spaces for women?*

The Cabinet Member replied that Officers from the Safer Communities team had worked closely with Sussex Police, the Office of the Police Crime Commissioner and local businesses to identify and promote Safe Spaces for women and other vulnerable residents.

These can be located on the Safe Spaces app. In addition, data regarding violence against women and girls is analysed on a monthly basis at the Joint Action Group to ensure we are capturing locations and patterns of behaviour that may impact on women's safety.

7. *Question from Sally Barker, a Worthing Resident, to the Cabinet Member for Housing & Citizen Services*

During this meeting you will be considering and debating the motion received from Councilor Heather Mercer on article 4 direction- houses in multiple occupation. This motion acknowledges the persistent and growing pressure for more housing in Worthing, which has seen many older and larger properties redesigned into houses of multiple occupation. It recognises that in many parts of East and Central Worthing the Edwardian and Victorian era large houses are looked on favourably by private developers as being ripe for conversion to HMOs.

The latest stats demonstrate the worrying impact of this- they show that in Worthing the vast majority of licensed HMOs are concentrated in the wards of Central, Heene and Selden- these 3 wards alone have 71% of all licensed HMOs with just 29% in all of the other 9 wards combined. That means a current concentration of HMOs in these three wards equating to 1 HMO per 292 people, compared to 1 per 2,144 people for the rest of Worthing. Considered another way, 71% of all people living in licensed HMOs are concentrated into just 13% of the area covered by Worthing and we also know that within these wards there are localised pockets of even higher concentration.

The motion goes on to state that, HMOs of all sizes can have a detrimental impact on existing residential character and community cohesion and such high concentrations within neighbourhoods can result in imbalanced and unsustainable communities, creating a series of harmful impacts- all of which you will already be aware of and will be considering later in this meeting.

It is my hope that having done this you will agree to the recommendations of the motion which include:

- to determine acceptable density of proximity issues*
- to draw upon best practice across England from authorities who **have** introduced an Article 4 Direction in a preemptive manner to protect communities so that development can be managed rather than responded to*
- and to consider introducing an evidence-led article 4 direction, to continue to provide HMO accommodation to meet Worthing's housing needs, whilst also enabling you to manage the supply of HMOs to avoid high concentrations in a particular area.*

*However, were this not to be the case, in the absence of an article 4 direction what **do** you intend to do to avoid the continued trend towards converting large properties in the already overrepresented wards of Selden, Heene and Central into HMOs?*

The Cabinet Member replied that she represented Heene Ward which has a number of HMOs and care homes. The Council had been looking at the statistics around HMOs. There was a differentiation to be made between licensed and unlicensed. This is where there was some confusion and a lot of work is being undertaken around this and Article 4. There was a distinction to be made between HMOs for 5 people or less and HMOs for 6 people or more. HMOs for 5 people or less are subject to permitted development, where property can just be converted into HMOs. Article 4 would prevent this from happening. However, there was another side to the story in relation to the lack of affordability of private rental properties and a number of single residents whose benefits don't cover them for anything other than shared accommodation, who desperately needed HMOs. The concentrations of licensed HMOs in Selden Ward was 0.8%, in Central Ward was 1% and in Heene Ward was 0.9%. Some of the areas where they had to implement more stringent measures, had been up to 50% concentration. The Council was actively looking at this issue and no doubt each area would have its own story to tell.

8. Question from Clifford Fuller, a Worthing Resident, to the Cabinet Member for Housing & Citizen Services

What action will be taken to stop traffic coming from Chapel Road into Montague Place and Bath Place?

The Cabinet Member for Regeneration replied that there were ongoing discussions with residents and traders regarding a gated entry and she would update Mr Fuller following the meeting.

C/16/23-24

Announcements by the Mayor, Leader of the Council, Cabinet Members or the Head of Paid Service

The Mayor informed Council that he had attended a number of events since the Annual Council Meeting ranging from inaugurating sports events to celebrating residents 100th birthdays.

The Mayor also laid wreaths in memory of those lost in the sinking of HMS Hood and at the battle of Richebourg as well as remembering the victims of Srebrinicia. The Mayor also met with friends of Worthing from Les Sables D'Olonne.

The Mayor had held the first meeting of his charity committee and informed the Council of upcoming events and methods of obtaining Borough lapel pins.

The Leader of the Council advised that Worthing Borough Council would be chairing the Greater Brighton Economic Board (GBEB) in 2023/24 where matters such as food sustainability and the circular economy would be considered. The Leader also advised of a change to the membership of the Planning Committee, with Councillor Sophie Cox being replaced by Councillor Rosey Whorlow with immediate effect.

There were a number of announcements made by the Cabinet Members updating the Council of the following:-

- The successfully piloted Worthing Festival;
- The test use of a hydrogen burner at the Worthing Crematorium;
- The CIL Neighbourhood Fund;
- The Young Person Strategy;
- Tree Sponsorship - 10 street trees had been sponsored under the trees for streets initiative; and
- The Cabinet Member for Environment wished to place on record her thanks to residents Selina Ragless and her son Harry, who had spearheaded a beach wheelchair fund to provide disabled children and adults in the area with more access to their local beach. The Council's fantastic Coastal Team, had worked hard to devise and facilitate a completely new service that provided 2 beach wheelchairs and a single all terrain rollator available for free public loan.

The Head of Paid Service updated the Council on the recruitment to posts in the senior leadership team, advising the Council that a report would be brought to Council once all of the appointments had been made. She also wished to place on record her thanks to Sarah Gobey, on behalf of the Council, for all of her work during her distinguished career and public service.

C/17/23-24

Items raised under Urgency Provisions

There were no urgent items.

C/18/23-24

Recommendations from the Cabinet and Committees to Council

Council had, before it, recommendations from the Joint Audit & Governance Committee, the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Joint Strategic Committee.

Extracts of these minutes had been circulated as items 7A, 7B and 7C(i) to (iv).

Item 7A**Joint Audit & Governance Committee - 30 May 2023****Joint Audit & Governance Committee Appointments: Parish Councillors**

The Chair of the Joint Governance Committee, Cllr Hermitage, proposed the recommendations from the meeting held on 30 May 2023. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Carl Walker and unanimously supported by the Council:

Resolved: That Worthing Borough Council approved the appointment of Cllr Mike Mendoza as a Co-opted Member (from Lancing Parish Council) of the Joint Audit & Governance Committee for 2023/24 and the appointment of Cllr Paul Mansfield as a Co-opted Member (from Sompting Parish Council) of the Joint Audit & Governance Committee for 2023/24.

Item 7B**Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 8 June 2023****Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2022/23**

The Chair of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Cllr Heather Mercer, proposed the recommendation from the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 9 June 2022.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor Dan Hermitage and unanimously supported by the Council.

Resolved: That Worthing Borough Council approved the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report for 2022/23.

Item 7C(i)**Joint Strategic Committee - 11 July 2023****Financial Performance 2022/23 - Revenue Outturn**

The Leader proposed the recommendations from the Joint Strategic Committee meeting held on 11 July 2023.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor John Turley and supported following a vote.

Resolved: That Worthing Borough Council

i) noted the overall final outturn for 2022/23.

ii) approved the net appropriations from General Fund Reserves in the year as detailed in section 6 of the report totalling: Adur District Council £749,839 Worthing Borough Council £1,644,580

iii) approved that in Worthing Borough Council the revenue budget carry forward to 2023/24 of £35,000 be funded from reserves to support work associated with the Cost of Living crisis.

Item 7C(ii) Joint Strategic Committee - 11 July 2023

Developing a revenue budget for 2024/25 in difficult economic circumstances

The Leader proposed the recommendations from the Joint Strategic Committee meeting held on 11 July 2023.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor John Turley and supported following a vote.

Resolved: That Worthing Borough Council approved the Budget Strategy for 2023/24 outlined in Section 9 of the report.

Item 7C(iii) Joint Strategic Committee - 11 July 2023

Investing for our future - Capital Strategy 2024/27

The Leader proposed the recommendations from the Joint Strategic Committee meeting held on 11 July 2023.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor John Turley and supported following a vote.

Resolved: That Worthing Borough Council approved the Capital Strategy for 2024/27.

Item 7C(iv) Joint Strategic Committee - 11 July 2023

Union Place - Joint Venture Partnership with Roffey Homes

The Leader proposed the recommendations from the Joint Strategic Committee meeting held on 11 July 2023.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor Caroline Baxter and supported following a vote.

Resolved: That Worthing Borough Council

- ix) agreed to amend the Annual Investment Strategy to allow for the acquisition of shares in the new Joint Venture.
- x) agreed to amend the Capital Programme Investment Strategy to approve the capital investment for the purchase of a 50% share in the ownership of the LLP for the sum of £6m funded through the transfer of land and approved the appointment of Worthing Borough Council as a Member to the LLP (through a Members Agreement) and noted that the strategic and operational decisions would be made by the Executive with the project board reporting back regularly to that Committee on progression with finance reports.

C/19/23-24

Report of the Leader on Decisions taken by Cabinet Members, the Joint Strategic Committee and the Worthing Joint Strategic Sub-Committee since the last meeting of Council

The Leader of the Council presented their report on decisions taken by the Cabinet since the last meeting of the Council, which were detailed in Item 9.

A question was received in relation to decisions taken regarding redundancies since the Council meeting in April 2023.

C/20/23-24 Pay Policy Statement 2022/23

Before the Council was a report by the Director for Sustainability and Resources, which was circulated to all members and is attached to the signed copy of these minutes as item 9.

Councillor John Turley, proposed the recommendation, which was seconded by Councillor Beccy Cooper and following a vote, was supported.

Resolved, that the Council noted and approved the Pay Policy Statement for 2022/23 set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

C/21/23-24 Members Questions under Council Procedure Rule 12

The Mayor announced that the Proper Officer had received 4 questions from Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12. He advised that one supplementary question could be asked which must arise out of the original question, or, the reply.

Questions would be asked in rotation of the Groups represented in the Chamber and there were 30 minutes allowed for questions with 3 rotations of speakers possible. At the end of 30 minutes the Mayor explained that he would extend the time to conclude the current rotation of questions.

The Mayor announced that the following Councillors had submitted questions:

Councillors Cochran, Hunt and Humphreys.

First rotation:

Question 1 from Councillor Russ Cochran to the Leader

I realise that I may have asked a similar question like this before, but now sadly I find myself having to ask it again, as a matter of urgency, on behalf of all residents and young people in my ward and in the wider Borough.

As the council has now missed out on 2 previous rounds of funding and there is only one remaining round left to apply for funding, is the relevant Member able to provide an update on the DCMS Youth Investment fund application progress for Northbrook ward?

The Deputy Leader replied as he had portfolio responsibility for community and young persons. A detailed options appraisal for assessing sites under the Youth Investment Fund had been carried out in the autumn of 2022 and shared with key members. The options appraisal identified that within the Northbrook Ward (the only ward in Worthing identified by the fund), the only viable location for young service provision was the development at West Durrington. However, at this time the land was not within the

ownership of the Council and therefore this site couldn't be taken forward due to the criteria set within the grant. Other locations were appraised, however, they did not meet the criteria or time constraints on this project for delivery.

The grant required those spaces funded to provide open access youth work that was designed to either extend their reach to young people or help preserve their youth service. In conversations with our DCMS partner, the Council's assessment was that the refurbishment and extension of changing facilities for sports did not meet the criteria for this grant.

The Council remained committed to identifying funds that could be utilised to improve the health and wellbeing of young people.

Question 2 from Councillor Claire Hunt to the Cabinet Member for Climate Emergency

I understand that Worthing Borough Council is exploring pathways to achieve net zero for the Borough by 2045 and has opted to follow the High Ambition pathway set out in the report commissioned from Anthesis. Given that current science says that would give us only a 1 in 3 chance of maintaining a liveable planet and that if the richest countries don't decarbonise faster than 2045 we will be leaving Global South countries with no carbon budget at all after 2030. How could the Council be even more ambitious and set an earlier target date?

The Cabinet Member for Climate Emergency replied that in 2019 the council declared a climate emergency and adopted our carbon neutral 2030 target for our own operations and a 2050 target for the district and borough as a whole. In order to show leadership, the Council had since made considerable progress on developing and delivering projects to help get our own house in order. These included:

- Delivering a low carbon heat network for the town, giving residents and businesses in the town centre the opportunity to decarbonise their heating in one easy step;
- Generating our own electricity by installing solar panels on multiple council buildings;
- Securing over £3m of Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme funding to significantly improve the energy efficiency of our town centre estate;
- Piloting the replacement of natural gas with hydrogen at our largest emitter, Worthing Crematorium.

The challenge to decarbonise the wider area is significant and not without hurdles that the council alone can overcome. UK Government policy will be key to meeting area-based emissions reduction targets and the council regularly provides feedback on government consultations emphasising the importance of this. Partnership working will also unlock programmes of work at a scale that the Borough council cannot deliver on its own.

In spite of these challenges, the council can proactively further the opportunities for residents and businesses to decarbonise and we already participate in:

- Solar Together Sussex, offering bulk purchasing of solar panels to residents;
- The rollout of a public EV chargepoint network;
- The promotion of grant funding availability to residents through the Warmer Homes programme.

Since 2020, the council has already brought its target forward, from an initial 2050 date to 2045 and in working to deliver this challenging target we will need to work closely with residents and businesses within and outside of Worthing.

Second rotation

Question 3 from Councillor Daniel Humphreys to the Cabinet Member for Regeneration

Prior to last week's meeting of the Joint Strategic Committee I sent an email to the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Resources requesting that flexibility be built into this year's capital programme to allow for extra security to be put in place for two car parks in Findon Valley. I thank them for their consideration of the matter. Would you be happy to meet me and some of the local residents at these two car parks so that we can explain the issues and seek your support for the investment please?

The Cabinet Member replied that the additional measures requested for Coombe Rise and Storrington Rise would require capital investment in the required barriers as well as a revenue budget to cover the costs of security to lock the car parks at night and unlock them in the morning. The Council would also need to consider practical issues such as walkers wanting to use the car parks in the evening or early morning, cars being locked in and the potential to simply displace any anti-social behaviour in the locality.

We are in the process of setting the capital programme with officers, so I can not make any further comment at this stage, but please do feel free to contact me directly so I can give these matters consideration.

Question 4 from Councillor Daniel Humphreys to the Cabinet Member for Regeneration

At the meeting of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny meeting in March this year I asked your predecessor about the council's intentions for the Southern Water office block and car park that was purchased by the council last year. He refused to give the councillors on the committee any information about the plans for the site. Could you please update the council on what the council's long term aspirations are for this site and in particular could you confirm that the council's plans will seek to safeguard the site as a key employment site in the borough?

The Cabinet Member replied that Worthing Borough Council purchased Southern Water's headquarters in the town as an investment for the future to support the Council's aspirations for both increased employment space and housing. The Council used its strategic property investment fund to pay for the purchase.

By investing in Worthing, the Council could work with local businesses for mutual benefit as part of its approach to community wealth building.

I am pleased to confirm that in common with other existing employment sites, the Council would seek to protect employment use on this site in line with recently adopted Local Plan policy.

By purchasing the site, there was, in the medium term to longer term, the opportunity to either expand our employment offer and potentially increase our housing supply by maximising the use of land, utilising other Council owned sites in the vicinity either by ourselves or in partnership with Adur District Council who also owned assets in this area.

C/22/23-24 Motion on Notice

Members had a motion before them proposed by Councillor Carl Walker and seconded by Councillor Emma Taylor-Beal.

The motion was debated and a recorded vote was taken, the results of which, are set out below:-

For (24): Councillors Abrahams, Baxter, Bozkurt, Choudhury, Chowdhury, Cooper, Cox, Garner, Glynn-Davies, Hermitage, Howard, Hunt, Mulholland, Overton, Roser, Schan, Smith, Taylor-Beal, Theodoridi, Turley, Walker, Wells, Whight & Whorlow

Against (8): Councillors Atkins, Cochran, Humphreys, James, Mercer, Morgan, Sparkes & Waight

Abstentions (0): Councillors

Decision:

The Council resolved, with the exception of the mayoral badges and chains of office, to desist in the use of all ceremonial robes and accessories, in all council and public engagements.

**** At 9.20pm the Mayor proposed extending the meeting to conclude the business on the agenda, as the meeting duration was about to exceed 3 hours. Following a vote, the motion was supported unanimously. The meeting was adjourned and reconvened at 9.25pm.***

C/23/23-24 Motion on Notice

Members had a motion before them proposed by Councillor Samuel Theodoridi and seconded by Councillor Dale Overton.

The motion was debated and a recorded vote was taken, the results of which, are set out below:-

For (24): Councillors Abrahams, Baxter, Bozkurt, Choudhury, Chowdhury, Cooper, Cox, Garner, Glynn-Davies, Hermitage, Howard, Hunt, Mulholland, Overton, Roser, Schan, Smith, Taylor-Beal, Theodoridi, Turley, Walker, Wells, Whight & Whorlow

Against (8): Councillors Atkins, Cochran, Humphreys, James, Mercer, Morgan, Sparkes & Waight

Abstentions (0): Councillors

Resolved:

The Council agreed to

- Make no further appointments under the Council's Honorary Alderman / Alderwoman scheme and therefore asked officers to remove this scheme from its constitution;
- Allow existing holders of this title to continue to use it if they so wish, but not provide any special recognition or treatment for them that was not offered to other former members of the council; and
- That those councillors who were currently eligible for Alderman / Alderwoman status could receive it at the end of their term of office should they choose to do so. After this there will be no further conferment of the title.

C/24/23-24 Motion on Notice

Council received a motion on notice proposed by Councillor Russ Cochran and seconded by Councillor Nigel Morgan.

In accordance with the constitution, the motion was debated and then referred to the Worthing Joint Strategic Sub-Committee for consideration and determination.

Resolved:

That the Council referred the motion on notice to the Worthing Joint Strategic Sub-Committee for consideration and determination.

C/25/23-24 Motion on Notice

Council received a motion on notice proposed by Councillor Heather Mercer and seconded by Councillor Noel Atkins.

In accordance with the constitution, the motion was debated and then referred to the Worthing Joint Strategic Sub-Committee for consideration and determination.

Resolved:

That the Council referred the motion on notice to the Worthing Joint Strategic Sub-Committee for consideration and determination.

The meeting ended at 9.57 pm