



Rushcliffe
Borough Council

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Date: Wednesday, 10 July 2024

To all Members of the Council

Dear Councillor

A Meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday, 18 July 2024 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Rushcliffe Arena, Rugby Road, West Bridgford to consider the following items of business.

This meeting will be accessible and open to the public via the live stream on YouTube and viewed via the link: <https://www.youtube.com/user/RushcliffeBC>
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Yours sincerely

Gemma Dennis
Monitoring Officer

AGENDA

Moment of Reflection

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest

[Link to further information in the Council's Constitution](#)

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 May 2024 (Pages 1 - 8)

To receive as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 23 May 2024.

4. Mayor's Announcements
5. Leader's Announcements
6. Chief Executive's Announcements

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7. Citizens' Questions

[To answer questions submitted by Citizens on the Council or its services.](#)

8. Petitions

9. Approval of the Scrutiny Annual Reports 2023/24 (Pages 9 - 52)

The report of the Director – Finance and Corporate Services is attached.

10. Productivity Plan (Pages 53 - 62)

The report of the Director – Finance and Corporate Services is attached.

11. Notices of Motion

[To receive Notices of Motion](#)

a) Councillor Birch

The current first-past-the-post electoral system is unfair and undemocratic. It often results in a discrepancy between the percentage of votes received by parties and the number of seats they hold. This often leads to the underrepresentation of minority parties and the overrepresentation of majority parties, which distorts the democratic will of the electorate.

Proportional representation offers a fairer alternative by ensuring that seats are allocated in proportion to the votes received, thus more accurately reflecting the will of the electorate. Proportional representation is a fairer and more democratic electoral system.

Council resolves to:

1. Formally declare that it supports the principle of proportional representation in UK general elections.
2. Formally declare that it supports the principle of proportional representation in UK local elections.
3. Write to HM Government to request a change in our voting system from first past the post to proportional representation.

b) Councillor Thomas

This Council believes that car park solar canopies could have considerable potential to contribute to solar energy generation in Rushcliffe in an environmentally friendly way. The Council will encourage this by:

1. Including suitable text in relevant policies, strategies, and guidance notes.
2. Undertaking a feasibility study into installation of canopies on its own car parks, with a view to bringing forward a capital project or projects by way of an exemplar.

12. Questions from Councillors

[To answer questions submitted by Councillors](#)

Membership

Chair: Councillor A Brown

Vice-Chair: Councillor J Cottee

Councillors: M Barney, J Billin, T Birch, R Bird, A Brennan, R Butler, S Calvert, J Chaplain, K Chewings, N Clarke, T Combellack, S Dellar, A Edyvean, S Ellis, G Fletcher, M Gaunt, E Georgiou, P Gowland, C Grocock, R Inglis, R Mallender, S Mallender, D Mason, P Matthews, H Om, H Parekh, A Phillips, L Plant, D Polenta, N Regan, D Simms, D Soloman, C Thomas, R Upton, D Viridi, J Walker, R Walker, L Way, T Wells, G Wheeler, J Wheeler and G Williams

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