

CITY OF DONCASTER COUNCIL

COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 13TH JULY, 2023

A MEETING of the COUNCIL was held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICE, WATERDALE, DONCASTER DN1 3BU, on THURSDAY, 13TH JULY, 2023, at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT:

Chair - Councillor Duncan Anderson

Vice-Chair - Councillor Julie Grace

Mayor - Ros Jones

Deputy Mayor - Councillor Glyn Jones

Councillors Nick Allen, Bob Anderson, Lani-Mae Ball, Nigel Ball, Iris Beech, Joe Blackham, Rachael Blake, Nigel Cannings, James Church, Gemma Cobby, Phil Cole, Jane Cox, Steve Cox, Linda Curran, Susan Durant, Yetunde Elebuibon, Sue Farmer, Martin Greenhalgh, John Healy, Leanne Hempshall, Charlie Hogarth, Mark Houlbrook, Debbie Hutchinson, Barry Johnson, Jake Kearsley, Majid Khan, Jane Kidd, Sue Knowles, Sophie Liu, Tracey Moran, John Mounsey, Tim Needham, David Nevett, Jane Nightingale, Ian Pearson, Cynthia Ransome, Andrea Robinson, Glynis Smith, Sarah Smith and Austen White.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Glenn Bluff, Laura Bluff, Bev Chapman, Aimee Dickson, Sean Gibbons, Richard A Jones, Emma Muddiman-Rawlins, Thomas Noon, Andy Pickering, Rob Reid, Dave Shaw and Gary Stapleton.

18 Declarations of Interest, if any

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

19 Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 19th May, 2023

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 19th May, 2023, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair of Council.

20 To receive any announcements from the Chair of Council, the Mayor, Members of the Cabinet or the Head of Paid Service

The Chair of Council, Councillor Duncan Anderson, made the following announcement:-

“I am sure Members of Council would support me in welcoming our Chief Executive back from his short period of illness. It was a very serious illness, and the outcome could have been much worse.

He is very lucky to be back and getting back into the swing of things, but organisationally, we need to give him time and space to recover and support him during his period of recovery.”

The Mayor of Doncaster, Ros Jones, made the following announcements:-

“Today marks a whole year since Peel announced their strategic review into the future of Doncaster Sheffield Airport. From day one, the City of Doncaster Council stepped up to find solutions to keep the Airport open. We went to the open market to identify potential buyers, we offered to underwrite any losses for over 12 months in order to secure a private sale, and we even offered to buy the Airport freehold. Unfortunately, all of which were turned down by Peel.

As we progress with the South Yorkshire Airport Programme, it is important to demonstrate the complexity of the programme and the various discussions we are having with both Peel, the Department for Transport, the Civil Aviation Authority, investors and operators on a number of fronts. Importantly, we are still in complex but progressive negotiations with Peel in relation to a leasehold of the Airport site. We are currently engaging with potential investors and operators who would work with us, if successful in obtaining a leasehold, and we have made representations to both the DFT and CAA in regards to retaining our airspace.

Getting our Airport re-opened is my number one priority; the economic potential could be great over the medium to long term, and the jewel in the crown of Doncaster and the wider region. I want to see an aviation cluster of businesses around the Airport alongside both freight and passenger flights. We are currently finalising a financial viability assessment and business case, all of which currently look positive.

I am resolute in my determination to see our Airport reopen and I ask that all Councillors support these efforts. I will ensure you are all kept updated as we progress with our efforts.

My second announcement sadly relates to our bid for a new Hospital which was turned down by the Government; this is incredibly disappointing. An incredibly strong bid was put forward that would have seen a new state-of-the-art Hospital that would serve Doncaster for the 21st century.

We have a site already identified within the City Centre that is shovel ready, largely owned by this Council, and remediation planned that is being paid for from Levelling Up Funding and regional gainshare funding. A new Hospital would be a true commitment to levelling up Doncaster.

We will continue to lobby for a new Hospital for Doncaster. However, our Hospital is in urgent need of repairs now. The current maintenance back log has worrying implications for patient services. The Government must act swiftly to safeguard all those who work at DRI, as well as ensuring it can continue to deliver vital health care to Doncaster and the wider South Yorkshire community. I call on Government that at this year’s autumn statement, the DRI Trust is given the funds it needs to undertake urgent works that are vital to the safety of staff and patients.”

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Glyn Jones, Cabinet Member for Housing and Business, made the following announcement:-

“I would like to make a brief announcement in relation to our South Yorkshire Bid for an Investment Zone. We are working alongside South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority to bring an Investment Zone to South Yorkshire, and I hope to see an element of this in Doncaster. We are putting a number of sites forward and we will continue to push for Doncaster to get its fair share. The Government criteria may be restrictive, but we will look to work within this criteria. Further details will be announced in due course.”

Councillor Lani-Mae Ball, Cabinet Member for Early Help, Education, Skills and Young People, made the following announcement:-

“I would like to make a brief announcement in relation to the closure of the National College of Advanced Technology and Infrastructure.

It is unfortunate to see the building close in its current capacity. We have seen a lack of consistent rail policy across successive Governments, with five different Prime Ministers in 7 years, all having made different promises in relation to education and railway investment. In 2021, as part of the Integrated Rail Plan, HS2 was scaled back with the majority of the Eastern leg cancelled. Yet last year, we had the short-lived premiership of Liz Truss, who promised to deliver HS2 and Northern Rail in full. Regrettably, this was soon cancelled again under the current Prime Minister. It is no wonder that under these conditions, industry could not fully commit to either of the Doncaster or Birmingham NCATI sites.

However, the closure has presented this Council with a valuable opportunity to step in to secure its future. We want to be directly involved in the provision of a new learning offer, ensuring that this time, it will be directly connected to Doncaster’s local business community and existing skills system.

We are currently in discussions with the Department for Education on the handover of the building to this Council, and I will share further details in due course.”

The Chief Executive, Damian Allen, made the following announcement:-

“As a number of you will know, the Monday after the Annual Council Meeting, I was rushed into hospital with what turned out to be viral meningo-encephalitis; a rare infection of the brain, which causes inflammation of the brain, with 6000 cases a year in the UK. With your indulgence Chair, I would like to use my experience and this platform, to raise awareness of this illness as 80% of the public do not know what encephalitis is, which is why it is so critical to seek early diagnosis if the symptoms materialise; which I did not.

The symptoms of encephalitis initially present as flu-like, including headaches, muscle and joint aches, hence it is often overlooked. Ultimately untreated, it leads to loss of speech, delirium and impact on levels of consciousness, and can be confused with psychosis at this stage. For those of you who engaged with me at the Annual Council Meeting, it would have been apparent that I was entering into this stage. In extreme cases, encephalitis results in a coma and ultimately death in 10 - 40% of cases, depending upon the type of encephalitis. On admission, I was therefore placed in the Intensive Treatment Unit and placed on life support when my heart beat reached 250bpm, and my kidneys started to fail, which was a traumatic and worrying experience for my family. I was brought out of the induced coma 8 days later, having overcome the infection thanks to the medical expertise and care of a multitude of

amazing NHS staff to whom I will be forever grateful. I was discharged 10 days later thankfully, with no immediate legacy issues, and I continue to make a good recovery sufficient to return to work on a phased basis.

Encephalitis is often referred to as an invisible disability, where recovery is lengthy despite the appearance of normality having returned to the sufferer. 40% of sufferers can be left with permanent brain damage, memory-loss and other personality changes etc. The Encephalitis Society whose website is www.encephalitis.info, has a huge amount of valuable information, advice and guidance for the public and professionals. World Encephalitis Day is on 22nd February where supporters are asked to wear something red, and light-up a landmark in red.

Finally, I would like to record my sincere thanks to Debbie Hogg, Director of Corporate Resources who covered for me together with fellow extended leadership team members, and to Mayor Ros Jones, and members of Cabinet. I have been bowled over and humbled by the kind words, cards, gifts and the warm and effusive welcome back from staff, partners and Elected Members; a profound and sincere thank you to everyone.”

21 Questions from the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13

There were no questions on notice received from the public for this meeting.

22 Youth Justice Plan 2023/24

The Council considered a report, introduced by Councillor Lani-Mae Ball, Cabinet Member for Early Help, Education, Skills and Young People, which sought approval of the Youth Justice Plan 2023/24.

It was reported that the plan highlighted some excellent performance and notable achievements by the Youth Offending Service in the past year, and also one particular area of challenge. The plan was informed and shaped by the experiences and voices of young people. The Service continued to work to reduce re-offending with young people which had been an historic area of strength and remained so.

Members noted that the Service was within the top quartile of Authorities with the lowest re-offending rates in England and Wales. This had been achieved through the Team’s relationship based, trauma informed practice model, and young people’s direct access to therapeutic and clinical services.

Members were informed that over the last two years, the custody rate had been affected by a serious incident involving young people not known to the Service, and therefore, a target was set of no more than two young people known to the Service receiving a custodial sentence and this had been achieved. The First Time Entrant rate had exceeded the target, which was a process rather than a practice issue, due to delays within the Criminal Justice System linked to the pandemic. However, the team was confident that all children from this period had now been progressed through the Service.

It was also reported that the Plan set out targets for 2023/24, which were highly ambitious, which included:-

- To ensure the first-time entrant rate achieved the target, which was set at 124 young people per 100,000, which was achieved through the work of Encouraging Potential Inspiring Change (EPIC) and the Youth Justice Team;
- The reoffending target had been set at 22. If this was achieved, this would represent Doncaster's lowest ever annualised reoffending rate; and
- A non-statutory target had been set this year to bring the rate of Children who were looked after in the criminal justice system, to a level which was comparable to children who were not looked after.

The plan also highlighted some notable achievements in 2022/23, including the continuation of a strong therapeutic offer for children and families, and good performance in relation to Education, Training and Employment outcomes. The EPIC Town Centre Hub continued to support large numbers of young people in the City, and EPIC was developing further Virtual Reality experiences for use as an educative tool for both young people and the professionals working with them.

RESOLVED that the Youth Justice Plan 2023/24, be approved.

23 Doncaster Health and Wellbeing Board's Second Annual Report 2022/23

The Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board, Councillor Rachael Blake, presented the Board's Second Annual Report which provided an overview of the work received by the Health and Wellbeing Board and a flavour of work undertaken since the last annual report in July, 2022.

It was reported that there were three broad themes highlighted throughout the report which were the 3 life courses. Starting well examples included updates on children's and young people's mental health strategy/5-19 service, eating disorders and autism services, safeguarding and recommendations for a breastfeeding policy in the Council, and wider partners where possible.

The Living well updates included mental health transformation/learning disability and autism strategy, substance misuse, carers, homelessness, problem gambling and the adults safeguarding report.

Ageing well included updates on enhanced health care in care homes, urgent community responses and virtual wards, dementia services and the ambition to be an age friendly City. Doncaster had now been accepted in June 2023, to be part of the UK network to become an age friendly City and work was ongoing.

Members were informed of other areas in the report which included ways of working such as Get Doncaster Moving, compassionate approach to weight and the Well Doncaster approaches and also the update on the Fairness and Wellbeing Commission, and how it linked to the Board with its forthcoming recommendations. It was also noted that there was a reference to the Economic Strategy and the Integrated Care Partnership, and its wider place implications.

In concluding her presentation, Councillor Blake outlined the recommendations for the next year which were detailed in the report.

RESOLVED that Health and Wellbeing Board Second Annual Report 2022/23, be noted and published.

24 Overview & Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23

The Council considered the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report, which highlighted the progress of Doncaster Council's Overview and Scrutiny function during 2022/23. The report also provided a summary of the work undertaken by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC) and its four Standing Panels, and highlighted some of the key achievements and the impacts that Overview and Scrutiny had made over the past year, and identified priorities for 2023/23.

In presenting the report, the Chair of the OSMC, Councillor Jane Kidd, thanked Members, the Executive, Officers, Partners, Stakeholders, young advisers and the public, who had taken the time to participate in meetings and contribute to Overview and Scrutiny during the last Municipal Year.

It was reported that the 2022/23 Annual Report highlighted a number of activities and achievements which were important to Overview and Scrutiny including how it had engaged with the public and partners, held decision makers to account, contributed to policy development and provided an opportunity for Members to consider issues they felt were important to the residents of the Borough. The report also showed how its work aligned and contributed to the Doncaster Growing Together priorities.

Members noted that moving forward to 2023/24, Overview and Scrutiny's work plans would reflect the Doncaster Delivering Together, Wellbeing Goals and Outcomes, and Great 8 priorities, which would help keep a strategic focus and positively contribute to improving services within the Borough.

The Chair then invited the four Standing Overview and Scrutiny Panel Chairs to highlight some of the key achievements and the impacts that the Panels had accomplished.

In concluding her presentation, Councillor Kidd asked Members to either contact her, or any Chair the Standing Panels or Officers, if they had any issues for consideration at future Scrutiny meetings or reviews.

RESOLVED that the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23, be noted.

25 Nomination for Freedom of the City - Lord Kirkham

The Council considered a report which sought approval to bestow the honour of Freedom of the City on Lord Kirkham.

It was reported that this nomination sought to acknowledge the commercial, charitable, social and civic contributions Lord Kirkham had made to promote the reputation and prosperity of the City of Doncaster. It was felt that his elevation to the status of Freeman of the City would demonstrate the Council's appreciation for the things he had done for the local area.

Members noted that Lord Kirkham had been a lifelong resident of Doncaster. He was born, educated and raised in the county, whilst developing a number of very successful businesses. Having accumulated a multi-million pound business empire, he had always remained committed to living in the area; contributing to its economy, charities and promoting its reputation and his two main businesses had created employment for numerous local people over decades. Lord Kirkham acquired Cantley Hall in 1990 and had invested in the restoration and maintenance of the estate, using local tradesmen and businesses, and he continued to provide employment through the upkeep of the house and grounds and ran some aspects of his business activities from there. He has also used the Hall to entertain royals, dignitaries and celebrities to promote Doncaster's reputation.

It was also noted that in 1996, he was Knighted and in 1999, he was created Lord Baron Kirkham KCVO for his contributions to the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme, Prince's Trust and Animal Welfare charities. He had also supported local schools providing an IT/computer suite and financially assisted the Doncaster Deaf Trust and the 'Firefly' Cancer Support charity. His companies had also provided significant donations to fund Cancer Research through the University of Bradford.

RESOLVED that the application to bestow the Freedom of the Borough on Lord Kirkham, be supported.

26 Questions by Elected Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 15.2 and 15.3

A. Questions on Notice

No questions on Notice from Elected Members had been received for this meeting.

B. Questions Without Notice

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.2, the Chair of Council sought questions from Elected Members during Question Time.

A. Questions to the Mayor of Doncaster, Ros Jones

There were no questions put to the Mayor of Doncaster, Ros Jones.

B. Questions to the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Glyn Jones, Cabinet Member for Housing and Business

There were no questions put to the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Glyn Jones, Cabinet Member for Housing and Business.

C. Questions to Councillor Lani-Mae Ball, Cabinet Member for Early Help, Education, Skills and Young People

Q. Councillor Cynthia Ransome asked the following question:-

"Children and young people's education and development is falling behind after Covid. Does the recovery plan include extending school term time

and school hours? This would improve education and development, and it would also improve young people's safety."

A. Councillor Lani-Mae Ball gave the following reply:-

"You mention about education catch up which has been discussed nationally. What we are missing here is the mental health and wellbeing of our children, and young people. There may be a delay in terms of GCSE or SATs results, but we know that children and young people are not defined by their grades; they are defined by their ability to be at School and to lead healthy and happy lives. There is a focus around education and they are getting that in School.

I would not support extending School term time into the holidays. I do not think that any Schoolteachers would want that either; they work hard enough. What we need to do is to invest in more staff within our Schools, so we can have smaller classroom sizes. We also need to invest in better mental health services, so that we can have School Nurses working in our Schools.

We need to listen to the voices of our children and young people, and the experiences of staff who have to deal with behaviour management issues. It is the mental health and wellbeing that the children are struggling with."

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.7, Councillor Cynthia Ransome asked the following supplementary question:-

Q. "Considering that schools finish at 2.30pm, surely this has got to help towards Anti-Social Behaviour with children, because who is supervising them?"

A. Councillor Lani-Mae Ball gave the following reply:-

"Some Schools finish at 2.30pm, but not every School. Schools are required by Government to deliver a 35 hour week. In terms of outside of School, we do not want children locked up in School all day. What we desperately need are Youth Services. Since 2010, there has been a 60% cut to Youth Services. Children and young people need to be supported by Youth Workers and have access to safe and inclusive activities that they can access within their communities. It is not about locking them up from 7.00 am in the morning until 7.00 pm at night. It is about two different things; providing education and youth activities in the evening, so that they can be with their friends and be safe in their communities. As the Government does not seem to be bothered about this issue, if you could raise it with them, that would be appreciated."

Q. Councillor Jane Cox asked the following question:-

"Are you confident that the Council knows where each 16 to 18 year old is; who should be in education or employment? From personal experience, our son came out of college at 17. He is nearly 19, but no

one from any service has ever contacted us to see where he was and what he was doing. It concerns me that this may be adding to the fact that the Council has missed the target for the First Time Entrants for young people entering the Youth Justice System and the increase in anti-social behaviour within the Borough?"

A. Councillor Lani-Mae Ball gave the following reply:-

"In terms of the specific case you are talking about, I would be interested to know more because we do have a dedicated team within the Council for people who are Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET). If there is somebody that has not been contacted, or has slipped through the net, I can pick that up outside of this meeting. We do have a Youth and Employment Hub in the Civic Building which provides one-to-one support for young people."

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.7, Councillor Jane Cox asked the following supplementary question:-

Q. "How many people across the Borough have got a son or daughter that this has happened to? We do not know. They would not know how to access the service or know who to go to for the help they need."

A. Councillor Lani-Mae Ball gave the following reply:-

"The team does track a large cohort, but there may be some who have 'slipped through the net'. I am not trying to say that we have got 100% engagement, but I can speak to you outside of the meeting."

Q. Councillor Nigel Ball asked the following question:-

"It would be useful to get clarification on this to see if there is a correlation in terms of education cuts over the last 13 years, and our ability to be able to look at out of hours provision. A report from the Institute of Fiscal Studies on education spending in England, concluded that education spending has been cut by £10 billion during that period. When we talk about additional provision, that costs money. It would be interesting to get your view and whether austerity has decimated our education system.

In terms of the other point that was made and the issue of austerity, our Youth Service funding, the Connexions Service and the Sure Start Hubs, have been systematically stripped away. In your opinion, is there a correlation between the issues we are facing now and 13 years of austerity, with cuts to education, the Youth Service and other services for young people?"

A. Councillor Lani-Mae Ball gave the following reply:-

"I think you might be right; there might be some correlation. We treat educational staff as babysitters; they are not, they are professionals. They do a job and work very hard. They are not there just to watch

children all the time. They are there during the day for that purpose, but they are not there at night-time.

In terms of extending teaching hours, we have a substantial recruitment and retention issue within the education sector since academisation and the current policies which are being implemented. This is driving staff out. There are huge workload concerns. If the Government is ever going to expect children and young people to be happy, and to be healthy and to thrive, we need serious investment in Education.

Regarding Sure Start, Doncaster was recognised as best practice. Andrea Leadsom said that Doncaster's Family Hubs were an example of good practice, because we have invested in keeping them there in our communities. Mayor Ros Jones took the political decision to keep them in Doncaster. Things are not perfect, but what makes it worse is that we are constantly firefighting because of chronic underfunding; it will take a generation to sort this out. We can try to link young people with crime and continue to demonise them and the work force who are raising issues, but we need to sit back and listen to what people are saying."

Q. Councillor Steve Cox asked the following question:-

"Through the Children and Young People's Panel, it has given the option to voice lived experiences. My eldest son is 30. We have gone through the same experiences as our youngest son who is 19. Has austerity been ongoing for 30 years, or has it just been something wrong within the workings of the Council, because the Council cannot keep blaming the Government for everything.

Within our Constitution, we are responsible for education within our Borough. It states in the Constitution that there should be a place for every child. I am confused by what you have said. This Council has lost money, but so has every other Council. This is personal because I am talking about my children. Councillor Jane Cox's question is very pertinent because there are other children that are in the same position, and we do not know where they are. Directors do not know where they are, so if you do, please tell us?"

A. Councillor Lani-Mae Ball gave the following reply:-

"With regard to the children and young people Not in Education, Employment or Training, I reiterate, this is a large cohort and the Council does track them.

In relation to SEND, the systematic failings are an ongoing issue.

In terms of 13 years of austerity, budget cuts to education have had an impact. In an ideal scenario, we would like every child or young person to be supported in mainstream School and to have one-to-one support. Highly qualified members of staff support the young people and they do not need to go 'out of the area'. They do not need to go to a different School because that School is inclusive. However, we do not have direct control of Schools because they are Academies;

your Government changed that. The Local Authority cannot dictate what it wants.

I have mentioned the recruitment and retention issues, because staff are leaving due to the lack of money to support them or give them the pay rises that they deserve. As a result, placements in Schools have gone, so we have to send them to a different School. In the last 10 years, there has been a 40% increase in Education, Health and Care Plans requests. I am not going to pretend that everything is perfect, but we are working with Schools and being more inclusive, and performance is improving. There is only so much that we can do. We will get our house in order, but I do not want a narrative that there are children and young people who are missing; it is not true. There may be people who are not getting everything they deserve, but I can speak to you about this issue outside of this meeting. The teams within the Council work really hard to ensure that no one is left behind.”

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.7, Councillor Steve Cox asked the following supplementary question:-

Q. “All I would like to say is that the comments I have made have been made to Senior Officers within this room, who have said that they will look into them, but there is nothing in any recommendations being considered by Cabinet. Lived experience is absolutely fine and I think it is fantastic, but we do not see it being followed through.”

A. Councillor Lani-Mae Ball gave the following reply:-

“I am sorry if that has not been your experience, but I am not aware of that. Please let me know what you need me to pick up.”

D. Questions to Councillor Nigel Ball, Cabinet Member for Public Health, Communities, Leisure and Culture

There were no questions put to Councillor Nigel Ball, Cabinet Member for Public Health, Communities, Leisure and Culture.

E. Questions to Councillor Joe Blackham, Cabinet Member for Highways, Infrastructure and Enforcement

There were no questions put to Councillor Joe Blackham, Cabinet Member for Highways, Infrastructure and Enforcement.

F. Questions to Councillor Rachael Blake, Cabinet Member for Children’s Social Care and Equalities

Q. Councillor Jane Cox asked the following question:-

“Councillor Lani-Mae Ball has just referred to Education, Health and Care Plans which young people with Special Educational Needs would require to access to obtain help they need and services available to them. As I have said before, it always feels like these young people are

the forgotten few. Whilst I welcome the target of 100% of these being completed in 20 weeks, which is a standard we should hold ourselves to, can I ask what we are doing to get there? The Council currently stands at 36% in the final quarter of the last year, and is not currently supporting some of the most vulnerable young people in the Borough.”

A. Councillor Rachael Blake gave the following reply:-

“This is not my Portfolio area.”

As the question put by Councillor Jane Cox was not within Councillor Rachael Blake’s Portfolio, the Chair of Council, Councillor Duncan Anderson asked Councillor Jane Cox to submit her question in writing to Councillor Lani-Mae Ball, Cabinet Member for Early Help, Education, Skills and Young People.

G. Questions to Councillor Phil Cole, Cabinet Member for Finance, Traded Services and Planning

Q. Councillor Cynthia Ransome asked the following question:-

“Councillor Bluff and I have supported the Hickleton and Marr action group for many years and worked with the Officers. I have a letter, dated 2020 from Sheffield City Region, Barnsley and the Mayor of Doncaster. The letter states that they wish to work with us on remedial measures. It is in Barnsley’s Local Plan that they will be building more industrial units on the border of Hickleton, which will bring many more Heavy Goods Vehicles into the villages of Hickleton and Marr. A roundabout is already in place for these applications. Are you objecting to these planning applications, as they will intensify the pollution in these villages which are already some of the highest polluted villages in the country?”

A. Councillor Phil Cole gave the following reply:-

“I have not seen those details, but I am aware that there was going to be a new housing development in Goldthorpe that is going to impact on that road network. I will provide you with a written response.”

H. Questions to Councillor Mark Houlbrook, Cabinet Member for Sustainability and Waste

There were no questions put to Councillor Mark Houlbrook, Cabinet Member for Sustainability and Waste.

I. Questions to Councillor Jane Nightingale, Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources

There were no questions put to Councillor Jane Nightingale, Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources.

J. Questions to Councillor Sarah Smith, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care

There were no questions put to Councillor Sarah Smith, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care.

K. Questions to Councillor Austen White, Chair of the Audit Committee

There were no questions put to Councillor Austen White, Chair of the Audit Committee.

L. Questions to Councillor Julie Grace, Chair of the Elections and Democratic Structures Committee

There were no questions put to Councillor Julie Grace, Chair of the Elections and Democratic Structures Committee.

M. Questions to Councillor Rachael Blake, Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board

There were no questions put to Councillor Rachael Blake, Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

N. Questions to Councillor Jane Kidd, Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

There were no questions put to Councillor Jane Kidd, Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee.

27 To receive the minutes of the following Joint Authorities

RESOLVED that the minutes of the following Joint Authorities meetings be noted:-

- A. South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Board held on 6th March and 5th June, 2023.
- B. South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Local Enterprise Partnership Board held on 9th March and 18th May, 2023.
- C. South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority held on 9th January, 20th February and 3rd April, 2023.
- D. South Yorkshire Pensions Authority held on 9th February and 16th March, 2023.
- E. South Yorkshire Pensions Authority Local Pension Board held on 2nd February and 27th April, 2023.
- F. South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel held on 3rd February and 24th April, 2023.
- G. Team Doncaster Strategic Partnership held on 13th December, 2022.

CHAIR: _____

DATE: _____