

Public Document Pack
Crawley Borough Council



Full Council

Supplementary Agenda – Order Paper

Wednesday, 18 October 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. A.', written in a cursive style.

Chief Executive

	Pages
2 Disclosures of Interest	5 - 6
Enclosed are the Disclosures of Interests received in advance of this meeting	
5 Communications	7 - 8
Enclosed are some Cabinet Member announcements.	
6 Public Question Time	
There are no written questions submitted in advance for Full Council to consider.	
To answer public questions under Full Council Procedure Rule 1.1-E. The questions must be on matters which are relevant to the functions of the Council, and should not include statements.	
One supplementary question from the questioner will be allowed.	
Up to 30 minutes is allocated to Public Question Time.	
11 Councillors' Questions Time	9 - 14
There are three written questions submitted in advance for Full Council to consider.	
There will be a maximum of 30 minutes for Councillors' Question Time (CQT). Councillors may ask questions relating to either a portfolio issue or with regard to the functions delegated to a Committee.	

There are **two** methods for Councillors asking questions:

1. Councillors can submit written questions in advance of the meeting and written answers will be provided on the evening of the Full Council.
2. Councillors can also verbally ask questions during the CQT.

Councillors have the opportunity to ask oral supplementary questions in relation to either of the methods above.

12 Receiving the Minutes of the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Commission and Other Committees including Items for Debate

There are no items for Debate.

NB: In advance of the meeting Political Groups can identify any items they wish to debate as a Reserved Item. These Reserved Items will then be the only matters to be the subject of debate.

14 Amendment 1 to Notice of Motion 2 - Recycling Rates

15 - 16

Enclosed is the Labour Amendment to Notice of Motion 2 – Recycling Rates – Mover Councillor Jones and Seconder Councillor Noyce.

This amendment will be discussed under item 9, Notice of Motion 2 – Recycling Rates

15 Amendment 1 to Notice of Motion 3 - Support For Care Leavers

17 - 20

Enclosed is the Labour Amendment to Notice of Motion 3 – Support For Care Leavers – Mover Councillor Jones and Seconder Councillor Sue Mullins.

This amendment will be discussed under item 10 Notice of Motion 3 – Support For Care Leavers

NOTE: The Mayor has agreed that, although this report and information was not available for at least five clear days before the meeting, there are special circumstances justifying its urgent consideration.

INFORMATION ON DURATION OF THE MEETING

If the business of the meeting has not been completed within two and a half hours (normally 10.00 p.m.), then the Mayor will require the meeting to consider if it wishes to continue for a period of up to 30 minutes. A vote will be taken and a simple majority in favour will be necessary for the meeting to continue. (Following the meeting's initial extension, consideration will be given to extending the meeting by further periods of up to 30 minutes if required).

Should the vote be in favour of not continuing, there is a process for dealing with motions and recommendations which have not been dealt with within the two and a half hours, or at the expiry of any agreed extension(s). In these circumstances, such motions and recommendations will be deemed as formally moved and seconded (together with any amendments). No speeches will be allowed on these items and the vote will be taken in the usual way. If a recorded vote is called for during this process, it will be taken immediately. This process will also apply in instances where the Council is statutorily required to make a decision about any matter before a particular date.

During the process set out above, the only other motions which may be moved are that a matter be withdrawn or referred to an appropriate body or individual for decision or report. When all motions and recommendations have been dealt with, the Mayor will declare the meeting closed.

This page is intentionally left blank

Agenda Item 2

Disclosures of Interest

Appendix A

Councillor	Item and Minute	Meeting	Type and Nature of Disclosure
Councillor Ali	Planning Application CR/2023/0252/FUL – 9 Mill Road, Three Bridges (minute 5)	Planning Committee 24 July 2023	Personal Interest – West Sussex County Councillor.
Councillor Nawaz	Planning Application CR/2023/0252/FUL – 9 Mill Road, Three Bridges (minute 5)	Planning Committee 24 July 2023	Personal interest – employed by the same company as a member of the public speaking in objection to the application.
Councillor Pritchard	Planning Application CR/2023/0252/FUL – 9 Mill Road, Three Bridges (minute 5)	Planning Committee 24 July 2023	Personal interest – employed by Govia Thameslink Railway.
Councillor Nawaz	Planning Application CR/2023/0391/FUL – 69 St Mary's Drive, Pound Hill, Crawley (minute 4)	Planning Committee 29 August 2023	Personal interest – had previously had a meeting with the Head of Economy & Planning regarding a change to constitutional procedure, which related to this application. The substance of the application was not discussed.
Councillor Pritchard	Planning Application CR/2023/0391/FUL – 69 St Mary's Drive, Pound Hill, Crawley (minute 4)	Planning Committee 29 August 2023	Personal interest – had previously had a meeting with the Head of Economy & Planning regarding a change to constitutional procedure, which related to this application. The substance of the application was not discussed.
Councillor R A Lanzer	2023/2024 Budget Monitoring – Quarter 1 (Minute 4)	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 25 September 2023	Personal Interest – Member of WSCC
Councillor R A Lanzer	2023/2024 Budget Monitoring – Quarter 1 (Minute 4)	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 25 September 2023	Personal Interest – WSCC Cabinet Member for Public Health & Wellbeing

Agenda Item 2

Councillor Burgess	Proposed Land Disposal of St Catherine's Hospice Site (Minute 6)	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 25 September 2023	Personal Interest – Volunteer at St Catherine's Hospice
Councillor Burgess	Proposed Land Disposal of St Catherine's Hospice Site (Minute 6)	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 25 September 2023	Personal Interest – Member of WSCC
Councillor R A Lanzer	Proposed Land Disposal of St Catherine's Hospice Site (Minute 6)	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 25 September 2023	Personal Interest – Member of WSCC
Councillor R A Lanzer	Proposed Land Disposal of St Catherine's Hospice Site (Minute 6)	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 25 September 2023	Personal Interest – WSCC Cabinet Member for Public Health & Wellbeing
Councillor R A Lanzer	Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee (HASC) (Minute 9)	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 25 September 2023	Personal Interest – Member of WSCC
Councillor R A Lanzer	Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee (HASC) (Minute 9)	Overview and Scrutiny Commission 25 September 2023	Personal Interest – WSCC Cabinet Member for Public Health & Wellbeing
Councillor Burgess	Notice of Motion 3 – Support for Care Leavers	Full Council 18 October 2023	Personal Interest – WSCC Member
Councillor R A Lanzer	Notice of Motion 3 – Support for Care Leavers	Full Council 18 October 2023	Personal Interest – WSCC Member
Councillor R A Lanzer	Notice of Motion 3 – Support for Care Leavers	Full Council 18 October 2023	Personal Interest – WSCC Cabinet Member for Public Health & Wellbeing

Agenda Item 5

Cabinet Member Announcements

- Councillor Bob Noyce (Cabinet Member for Environment, Sustainability and Climate Change) Warmer Homes Programme – Crawley Borough Council has, along with 23 other councils in the region, successfully bid for £41.4million in funding from the Government. This money comes from the Home Upgrade Grant and aims to help households on lower incomes which don't have gas central heating.
- Councillor Ian Irvine (Cabinet Member for Housing) - The opening of Raj Sharma House is taking place on 3 November 2023 at the new development on the corner of Brighton Road and Stonefield Close in Southgate. Also Crawley Homes has had a successful Estates Day for Milton Mount and Forge Wood residents.
- Councillor Atif Nawaz (Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development) - Invest in Skills (Crawley College - Institute of Technology) – Crawley College has partnered with BT to provide a suite of new state-of-the-art immersive spaces, to take learning to the next level.

The college will be opening four new Immersive Spaces, 5G-enabled interactive simulation experiences which have been designed and developed by BT and Immersive Interactive Ltd and combine 360 video and computer-generated content with lights, sounds and even smells!

They will introduce Augmented Reality (AR), Virtual Reality (VR) and Extended Reality (XR) to simulate real-life environments to enhance and expand learning opportunities for students

This page is intentionally left blank

Agenda Item 11

Councillors Written Questions and the Responses

Full Council – 18 October 2023

Q1 – Question to Councillor Jones (*Leader of the Council*) from Councillor Crow

At July's Full Council Meeting, the following resolution was passed in response to my motion on the expansion of the London ULEZ.

This Council resolves:

1) to formally request, on behalf of Crawley residents, that the expansion of London's Ultra Low Emission Zone be paused until after modelling is produced by TFL to evidence the anticipated scheme impacts on traffic flows/ emissions/ Full Council (33) 19 July 2023 pollution levels outside Greater London, in a written representation to the Mayor of London from the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Environmental Services, Sustainability and Climate Change.

I have not seen or been made aware of any representation having been sent to the Mayor of London. Therefore, please can a copy of this written representation be published for all councillors to see?

Response

A copy of the letter and the response is attached as appendix A and B to these questions.

Q2 – Question to Councillor Chris Mullins (*Cabinet member for Leisure and Wellbeing*) from Councillor Hellier

Many people who use Tilgate Park for walking with dogs and with their families, use the cafe at the Fishermans car park end of Tilgate. This has become very popular, but there are no toilet facilities by the cafe.

We should be encouraging residents to exercise more to promote good health and wellbeing, so with the popularity of the cafe and walking the paths around the nearby woods, it is disappointing that there are no toilet facilities that the public can use at this end of the park.

It is becoming more and more of a problem for families in particular as the public toilet facilities are all at the other end of Tilgate Park and often too far for people to make.

Can serious consideration be given please to a small block of toilets at this end of Tilgate Park please?

Agenda Item 11

Response

Tilgate Park implemented a trial to establish whether there was a business case to introduce a Lakeside Café. A competitive tender for a temporary provision was undertaken and having demonstrated the popularity and profitability a larger, but still temporary, structure was installed. The forthcoming revised Business Plan includes an ambition for a permanent structure which would include facilities to enhance the existing park offer – subject to funding being identified and appropriate planning consent.

Q3 – Question to Councillor Noyce – (Cabinet Member for Environment, Sustainability and Climate Change) from Councillor Lanzer

- 1) *Referring to the 2021/22 percentage of Crawley household waste sent for recycling, reuse or composting (31.39%), what would this percentage be if it matched the average rate for the other six West Sussex Borough and District councils?*
- 2) *How many more tons of Crawley household waste would be sent for recycling, reuse or composting each year if Crawley achieved the percentage supplied in answer to the first question?*

Response

- 1) 45.10%. This is broken down into 26.31% dry recycling and 18.68% composting (excluding the reuse element). Crawley sits at 23.02% dry recycling and 8.07% composting.
- 2) 6,922 tonnes (approximately). This is broken into 2,360 tonnes of dry recycling and 4,556 tonnes of garden waste. For the purposes of this question, recycling tonnage has been taken to be diverted from residual waste as opposed to just increasing the overall amount of waste and recycling collected.



Leader's Office

Contact name: **Cllr Michael Jones**

Email: **Michael.Jones@crawley.gov.uk**

Date: **8 August 2023**

BY EMAIL

Dear Mr Mayor,

We are writing to you on behalf of Crawley Borough Council with regard to your intention to expand the Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) across the entire Greater London area, which we understand is due to take effect before the end of August.

First may we say that we understand what you are seeking to achieve in relation to the improvement of air quality, reductions in pollution and health improvements. However, we believe, particularly in regard to the impact of ULEZ on residents and businesses outside Greater London, that insufficient technical analysis and modelling has been carried out to determine the effectiveness of ULEZ and to understand how ULEZ will affect the surrounding areas.

A number of Crawley residents are required to travel into London by car on a regular if not daily basis. Many Crawley residents have a need to travel by car to outer London Boroughs for a variety of purposes, including work and specialist hospital appointments.

This was discussed at a recent full meeting of Crawley Borough Council and it was agreed that we would write to you in order to request formally that the expansion of London's Ultra Low Emission Zone be paused until after further modelling is produced by Transport for London in order to evidence the anticipated scheme impacts on traffic flows/ emissions/ pollution levels outside Greater London.

It is currently the situation that our residents and those residents in other local authority areas outside the GLA boundaries, cannot access any of the support for low-income families that you have established to help offset the impact of the ULEZ charge. This penalises our residents significantly compared to residents within the GLA area. It is surely fair and right therefore that detailed modelling work is also undertaken by TFL to understand the impact on residents outside Greater London, so the necessary mitigations can be determined, prior to the ULEZ taking effect.

We look forward to hearing from you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael Jones'.

Cllr Michael Jones

Leader, Crawley Borough Council

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bob Noyce'.

Cllr Bob Noyce

Cabinet Member, Crawley Borough Council



Switchboard: 01293 438000
Main fax: 01293 511803
Minicom: 01293 405202
DX: 57139 Crawley 1
www.crawley.gov.uk

Town Hall
The Boulevard
Crawley
West Sussex
RH10 1UZ

This page is intentionally left blank

Agenda Item 11 Appendix b

MAYOR OF LONDON

Cllr Michael Jones

Leader, Crawley Borough Council

Cllr Bob Noyce

Cabinet Member, Crawley Borough Council

Our ref: MGLA230823-4883

Date: 10 October 2023



Dear Cllr. Jones and Cllr Noyce,

Thank you for your correspondence on behalf Crawley Borough Council, regarding the expansion of Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ). The ULEZ has now expanded across all London boroughs to tackle the triple threats of air pollution, the climate emergency and traffic congestion, and ensure five million more Londoners can breathe cleaner air.

The Mayor has been clear that this was not an easy decision, but a necessary one due to the impact of air pollution on people's health. Air pollution can lead to stunted lungs in children and is associated with a higher risk of dementia in older people. More than 500,000 Londoners live with asthma and are more vulnerable to the health impacts of air pollution, with more than half of these people living in outer London boroughs.

Only people with vehicles that do not meet the ULEZ standards need to pay the daily charge to drive in the zone. Already, nine in ten cars seen driving in outer London on an average day meet the standards, meaning their drivers will not have to pay. You can check whether your vehicle meets the ULEZ standards here: <https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/check-your-vehicle/>.

For those who do not meet the charge and live outside of London, while they are not eligible for the £160 million scrappage scheme, they may be eligible for some of the temporary exemptions, or "grace periods", which the Mayor announced when announcing the London-wide ULEZ. There are grace periods available for some drivers and vehicles including vehicles for disabled people, minibuses for community transport, wheelchair accessible vehicles and historic vehicles, to name a few. A full list is available on the TfL website: <https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/ultra-low-emission-zone/discounts-and-exemptions?intcmp=52218>.

Finally, unfortunately, the Mayor and TfL are using limited London-sourced funding to provide a scheme that should be funded at a national level, for the people who need it most because they live (or will soon live) within the ULEZ. The Government has provided scrappage funding in other cities, including Birmingham, Bristol, and Portsmouth, but has not extended the same support for London.

The Mayor continues to call on Government to further support the switch to cleaner vehicles through funding a targeted national scrappage scheme or providing additional funding to London

as it has done for other cities implementing Clean Air Zones across the country. I hope you will support his call for additional support from Government so we can tackle air pollution and the climate crisis.

Thank you again for writing.

Yours sincerely,



Shirley Rodrigues
Deputy Mayor for Environment and Energy

Agenda Item 14

Full Council

18 OCTOBER 2023

AMENDMENT 1 to NOTICE OF MOTION 2 – RECYCLING RATES

Mover Councillor Jones

and Seconder Councillor Noycer

This Council notes the Local Authority Waste Performance Statistics released by DEFRA in March 2023, showing the latest available household waste recycling data for the seven District and Borough Councils within West Sussex for three years from 2019/20. (Appendix A) This data shows Crawley having by far the lowest household waste percentage in West Sussex that is sent for recycling, having made little progress, and being one of only two local authorities to go backwards in 2021/22.

This Council also notes the letter sent by DEFRA to the Leader of Crawley Borough Council on 27 July 2017, that expresses concern about Crawley's low recycling rate and offers assistance, and his subsequent reply. (Appendix B)

This Council resolves to:

~~Publicly state its intent to be serious about~~ **Restate its strong commitment to** improving Crawley's household waste recycling rate, aiming to reach a more equitable level with the six other waste collection local authorities in West Sussex, **while taking into account the differing challenges the Borough has in comparison to those areas**, and in exploring options, seek learning from other local authorities and waste experts.

Request the **Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission to look into setting up** ~~Cabinet Member for Environmental Services and Climate Change, to set up and chair a cross-party member working group~~ **Scrutiny Panel**, to look at how household waste recycling rates in Crawley can be improved.

In the meantime, request the Cabinet Member for the Environment, Sustainability and Climate Change writes on behalf of Crawley Borough Council to West Sussex County Council calling on them to reinstate the recycling credits payment scheme which the Conservative administration at County Hall abolished in 2020 that used to help borough and district councils within the county area to pay for and implement initiatives to increase recycling.

Agenda Item 14

Proposed Amended Notice Of Motion 2 – Recycling Rates, if approved, now read:

This Council notes the Local Authority Waste Performance Statistics released by DEFRA in March 2023, showing the latest available household waste recycling data for the seven District and Borough Councils within West Sussex for three years from 2019/20. (Appendix A) This data shows Crawley having by far the lowest household waste percentage in West Sussex that is sent for recycling, having made little progress, and being one of only two local authorities to go backwards in 2021/22.

This Council also notes the letter sent by DEFRA to the Leader of Crawley Borough Council on 27 July 2017, that expresses concern about Crawley's low recycling rate and offers assistance, and his subsequent reply. (Appendix B)

This Council resolves to:

Restate its strong commitment to improving Crawley's household waste recycling rate, aiming to reach a more equitable level with the six other waste collection local authorities in West Sussex, while taking into account the differing challenges the Borough has in comparison to those areas, and in exploring options, seek learning from other local authorities and waste experts.

Request the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission to look into setting up a cross-party Scrutiny Panel, to look at how household waste recycling rates in Crawley can be improved.

In the meantime, request the Cabinet Member for the Environment, Sustainability and Climate Change writes on behalf of Crawley Borough Council to West Sussex County Council calling on them to reinstate the recycling credits payment scheme which the Conservative administration at County Hall abolished in 2020 that used to help borough and district councils within the county area to pay for and implement initiatives to increase recycling.

Agenda Item 15

Full Council

18 OCTOBER 2023

AMENDMENT 1 NOTICE OF MOTION 3 – SUPPORT FOR CARE LEAVERS

Mover Councillor Jones

and Seconder Councillor Sue Mullins

This Council notes that the Care Leavers Service in West Sussex supports young people to exit care successfully as they move towards independence, operating under a clear legislative framework provided by the Children (Leaving Care) Act 2000 and the Children and Social Work Act 2017. The Children and Social Work Act 2017 introduces corporate parenting principles which comprise seven needs that local authorities in England must have regard to.

This Council further notes that the West Sussex Care Leavers Service and increasingly it's partners, operate in line with these principles which centre around the promotion of physical and mental health and wellbeing of those children and young people to encourage them to express their views and to take those views into account to:

Help gain access to and make the best use of services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners

- Promote high aspirations and seek to secure the best outcomes
- Ensure they are safe, and have stability in their home lives, relationships and in education or work, and ultimately to prepare them for adulthood and independent living

This Council welcomes the existing support given by Crawley Borough Council to local care leavers, including the provision of free leisure centre access to K2 Crawley to support their health and wellbeing.

In seeking to provide further support for care leavers, this Council resolves to **work in partnership with West Sussex County Council to assist it in fulfilling its statutory duties, by:**

Engaging directly with the West Sussex Care Leavers Service, to proactively help the service move towards Good and onto Outstanding status through the exploration and implementation of additional initiatives, including potentially:

Agenda Item 15

- Providing a shopfront facing community base for our care leavers - a communal space to meet with facilities such as laundry, life skills coaching, WiFi and a place to meet Leaving Care Personal Advisors
- Linking to the above objective, a space for the County Council's Youth Emotional Support Service for meeting with children from across the county.

And also requesting officers of Crawley Borough Council to review the council's recruitment policy and procedure to incorporate potential

- ~~An apprenticeship or work-based opportunities~~ y for any care leaver who wanted to explore this as an alternative Employment Education and Training option

Proposed Amended Notice Of Motion 3 – Support For Care Leavers, if approved, now read:

This Council notes that the Care Leavers Service in West Sussex supports young people to exit care successfully as they move towards independence, operating under a clear legislative framework provided by the Children (Leaving Care) Act 2000 and the Children and Social Work Act 2017. The Children and Social Work Act 2017 introduces corporate parenting principles which comprise seven needs that local authorities in England must have regard to.

This Council further notes that the West Sussex Care Leavers Service and increasingly it's partners, operate in line with these principles which centre around the promotion of physical and mental health and wellbeing of those children and young people to encourage them to express their views and to take those views into account to:

- Help gain access to and make the best use of services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners
- Promote high aspirations and seek to secure the best outcomes
- Ensure they are safe, and have stability in their home lives, relationships and in education or work, and ultimately to prepare them for adulthood and independent living

This Council welcomes the existing support given by Crawley Borough Council to local care leavers, including the provision of free leisure centre access to K2 Crawley to support their health and wellbeing.

In seeking to provide further support for care leavers, this Council resolves to work in partnership with West Sussex County Council to assist it in fulfilling its statutory duties, by:

Agenda Item 15

Engaging directly with the West Sussex Care Leavers Service, to proactively help the service move towards Good and onto Outstanding status through the exploration and implementation of additional initiatives, including potentially:

- Providing a shopfront facing community base for our care leavers - a communal space to meet with facilities such as laundry, life skills coaching, WiFi and a place to meet Leaving Care Personal Advisors
- Linking to the above objective, a space for the County Council's Youth Emotional Support Service for meeting with children from across the county.

And also requesting officers of Crawley Borough Council to review the council's recruitment policy and procedure to incorporate potential opportunities for any care leaver who wanted to explore this as an alternative Employment Education and Training option

This page is intentionally left blank