

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Council</b>
<b>Meeting date:</b>	<b>13 July 2018</b>
<b>Title of report:</b>	<b>Motions on notice</b>
<b>Report by:</b>	<b>Solicitor to the Council</b>

## **Classification**

Open

## **Key decision**

This is not an executive decision.

## **Wards affected**

Countywide

## **Purpose**

To consider motions received on notice.

## **Recommendation**

**THAT: the motions listed at paragraph 7 are debated and determined by Council.**

## **Alternative options**

- 1 There are no alternative options to the recommendation; the constitution makes provision for motions on notice to be debated and decided by Council.

## **Reasons for recommendations**

- 2 To comply with the provisions of the constitution.

## **Key considerations**

- 3 The constitution provides that members of Council may submit written notice of motions for debate at Council. A motion must be signed by the proposer and seconder and submitted not later than midday on the seventh working day before the date of the meeting. A member cannot propose more than one motion on notice per meeting and a maximum of three motions will be debated at meetings of full Council.
- 4 Motions must be about matters for which the council has a responsibility or which affect the area.
- 5 Motions for which notice has been given will be listed on the agenda in the order in which notice was received unless the member giving notice states, in writing, that they propose to move it to a later meeting or withdraw it.

- 6 Up to one and a half hours will be allocated for debate on notices of motion but that time may be varied at the discretion of the chairman.
- 7 Three notices of motion will be debated at the meeting. The motion concerning verge parking was deferred from the previous ordinary meeting of full council on 9 March. Those motions for discussion are set out below:

### **Motion – Verge Parking**

(Proposed by Councillor BA Baker, Seconded by Councillor SP Anderson )

**The damage caused by vehicles being parked carelessly on grass verges is not only unsightly but can add to the costs of maintaining the verges and highways at a time when council resources are already stretched. In light of this largely unregulated activity I move that the executive be asked to consider putting in place suitable controls to restrict parking on grass verges, including the introduction of by-laws.**

### **Motion – Development Partnership**

(Proposed by Councillor EE Chowns, Seconded by Councillor tbc. )

**Noting that Herefordshire Council has recently mobilised a large amount of capital from the sale of its farm estate, and plans to invest this in a ‘Development Partnership’ which will significantly shape the growth and development of the county, we call on the council to resolve:**

**That the Development Partnership should be designed to be a Sustainable Development Partnership, with equal consideration given to social, environmental, and economic dimensions of planned development.**

**That all housing built through the Development Partnership should be:**

- **planned to maximise residents’ health and wellbeing, including through shared green space and opportunities for outdoor exercise and social interaction;**
- **built to the highest possible standards of energy and water efficiency in order to ensure affordability for residents and low environmental impact;**
- **sourced using local procurement wherever possible, in order to maximise local economic benefit and employment opportunities;**
- **designed to support and enhance wildlife habitats, in line with Herefordshire’s identity as a beautiful rural county.**

### **Motion – Hereford Justice Centre**

(Proposed by Councillor ACR Chappell, Seconded by Councillor CA Gandy)

**Earlier this year, the judicial system was changed so that remand cases throughout West Mercia are automatically sent to Kidderminster Justice Centre, thus removing local justice from the county, and locating hearings for all remand cases to a court in a town some 35 miles from Hereford's Justice Centre. Local justice should be administered locally, by magistrates who know the area, and local factors, and defence solicitors who are aware of the circumstances and some of the background issues.**

**That Herefordshire Council deplores the transfer of remand cases from Hereford to Kidderminster and calls on the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice, to**

**right a wrong and return such cases to the 'Hereford Justice Centre', (Magistrates Court) to be dealt with by Herefordshire Justices dealing with Herefordshire cases.**

## **Community impact**

- 8      None arising from the recommendation; if any motion results in a request that the executive (cabinet) take some action the implications of such action will inform any decision by cabinet.

## **Equality duty**

- 9      None arising from the recommendation; if any motion results in a request that the executive (cabinet) take some action the implications of such action will inform any decision by cabinet

## **Financial implications**

- 10     None arising from the recommendation; if any motion results in a request that the executive (cabinet) take some action the implications of such action will inform any decision by cabinet.

## **Legal implications**

- 11     None arising from the recommendation; if any motion results in a request that the executive (cabinet) take some action the implications of such action will inform any decision by cabinet.

## **Risk management**

- 12     None arising from the recommendation; if any motion results in a request that the executive (cabinet) take some action the risks associated with such action will inform any decision by cabinet.

## **Consultees**

- 13     None.

## **Appendices — none**

## **Background papers — none identified**