

City Council

Monday 17 September 2018

PRESENT:

Councillor Sam Davey, in the Chair.

Councillor Mavin, Vice Chair.

Councillors Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Carson, Churchill, Coker, Cook, Corvid, Dann, Deacon, Derrick, Downie, Drean, Evans OBE, Fletcher, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, James, Mrs Johnson, Jordan, Kelly, Laing, Michael Leaves, Samantha Leaves, Loveridge, Lowry, Dr Mahony, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Neil, Nicholson, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Mrs Pengelly, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, R Smith, Stevens, Jon Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Wiggins and Winter.

Apologies for absence: Councillors Mrs Aspinall, Darcy, K Foster and Kate Taylor

The meeting started at 2pm and finished at 7.45pm.

Note: The full discussion can be viewed on the webcast of the City Council meeting at www.plymouth.gov.uk. At a future meeting, the Council will consider the accuracy of these draft minutes, so they may be subject to change. Please check the minutes of that meeting to confirm whether these minutes have been amended.

22. Minutes

Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on the 25 June 2018.

23. Declarations of Interest

The following declarations of interest were made by councillors in accordance with the code of conduct in respect of items under consideration at the meeting -

Name	Minute Number	Reason	Interest
Cllr Mrs Pengelly	39	Plymouth Argyle Season Ticket Holder	Personal
Cllr Mrs Bowyer	39	Son is a Plymouth Argyle Season Ticket Holder.	Personal
Cllr Bowyer	39	Son is a Plymouth Argyle Season Ticket Holder.	Personal
Cllr Carson	37	Son attended youth events	Personal
Cllr Jordan	37	Director trustee of Plymouth youth Sailing	Personal
Cllr Stevens	35	Employee of Devon and Cornwall Police	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

24. **Political Proportionality / Appointments to Committees, Outside Bodies etc**

Council noted the Political Proportionality and following changes to committee appointments.

Committee	Previous Member	New Member
Education and Children's Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Panel	Philippa Davey	Councillor Gareth Derrick
Tamar Estuaries Consultative Forum	Councillor Darren Winter	Councillor Pam Buchan
Independent Remuneration Panel	Vacancy	Jane Hopkinson

25. **Announcements**

a) **Lord Mayor**

- Plymouth City Council Star Awards

b) **The Leader, Cabinet Members or Chairs of Committees**

- The Leader
 - House of Fraser – Dingles Plymouth
 - Parliamentary Boundaries

26. **Questions by the Public**

There were no questions from members of the public.

27. **Adoption of Motor Neurone Disease Charter**

The Lord Mayor, in accordance with article 14.1(b) of the Constitution and Council Procedure Rule 21, moved to suspend the usual procedural rules of debate to allow a variation of the order of business to enable this Motion on Notice to be brought forward on the agenda. The Deputy Lord Mayor seconded the motion and following a show of hands the motion was carried.

Councillor Tuffin (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care), proposed a motion regarding the Motor Neurone Disease Charter. Councillor Mrs Bowyer seconded the motion.

Following a short debate council agreed to -

- a) Adopt the MND Charter
- b) Ask the Strategic Director for People to ensure that council services are delivered in accordance with this Charter.

For the motion (53)

Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drear, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Derrick, , Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook, R Smith and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (0)

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

28. **Capital and Revenue Monitoring Report Quarter I**

Councillor Lowry (Cabinet Member for Finance) presented the report on the Capital and Revenue Monitoring Report 2018/19 quarter one. Councillor Evans OBE (Leader) seconded the report.

Following a short debate and vote Council agreed to –

1. note the current revenue monitoring position and action plans in place to reduce/mitigate shortfalls;
2. approve that the Capital Budget 2018 -2023 is revised to £581.1m (as shown in Table 6).

For the motion (52)

Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drear, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Derrick, , Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook, R Smith and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (1)

Lord Mayor

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

29. **Appointment of Deputy Electoral Registration Officer**

Councillor P Smith (Deputy Leader) proposed and Councillors Stevens seconded a report and recommendations on the appointment of the Deputy Electoral Registration Officer.

Council agreed that the Head of Electoral Services be appointed as the DERO, with full powers of the ERO in her absence.

For the motion (52)

Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wigens, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Derrick, , Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook, R Smith and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (1)

Lord Mayor

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

30. **Scrutiny arrangements for the Local Enterprise Partnership**

Council Morris (Chair, Brexit Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview and Scrutiny Committee) proposed Councillor Winter (Vice Chair, Performance, Finance and Customer Focus Overview and Scrutiny Committee) seconded a report and recommendations on Scrutiny Arrangements for the Local Enterprise Partnership.

Following a debate council agreed to –

1. approve the implementation of a Joint Scrutiny function (Committee) for the South West Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) and the Terms of Reference and Operating Procedures, as outlined in appendix I
2. delegate any consequential amendments to the Constitution to the Monitoring Officer, reflecting the new joint arrangements and the strategic Scrutiny of the LEP functions (as outlined in the roles, duties and responsibilities of appendix I);

For the motion (52)

Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wigens, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Derrick, , Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook, R Smith and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (1)

Lord Mayor

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

31. **Constitutional Amendments**

Councillor Dr Mahoney (Vice Chair, Audit and Governance Committee) proposed and Councillor Stevens seconded a report and recommendations on Constitutional Amendments.

Following a debate council agreed –

1. that the constitution is amended to reflect that the day on which executive decisions are usually published is Wednesday. (Part C of the Constitution Para 4.4)
2. that the new definition of a Key Decision as outlined at appendix one is adopted;
3. to note the Forward Plan and Call-in processes;
4. that subject to (1&2) above, delegate to the Monitoring Officer any required consequential amendments to the constitution.

For the motion (52)

Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drear, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wigens, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Derrick, , Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook, R Smith and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (1)

Lord Mayor

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

32. **Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry - Remedial Works**

Councillor Coker (Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure) proposed and Councillor Wheeler (Joint Chair, Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee) seconded a report on the emergency action undertaken by the Chief Executive in relation to the Tamar Bridge.

Council noted the report.

33. **Motions on Notice**

34. **Modern Day Slavery**

Councillor Penberthy (Cabinet Member for Housing and Co-operative Development), proposed a motion regarding the Modern Day Slavery. Councillor Tuffin (Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care) seconded the motion.

Following a debate council agreed to -

1. ask all Service Directors, Scrutiny Panels and Cabinet Members to examine the work of the Council for which they have responsibility or oversight to ensure that the Council works to eliminate modern slavery from Plymouth.
2. adopt the Co-operative Party's Charter against Modern Slavery to ensure our procurement practices don't support modern slavery.

For the motion (53)

Lord Mayor, Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Derrick, , Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook, R Smith and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (0)

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

35. **Devon & Cornwall and Dorset Police Merger**

Councillor Haydon (Cabinet Member for Customer Focus and Community Safety), proposed a motion regarding the Devon & Cornwall and Dorset police Merger. Councillor Bowyer seconded the motion.

Following a debate council agreed to -

1. Express its severe reservations to the Chief Constables and Police and Crime commissioners of the Devon and Cornwall and Dorset police forces about the proposed merger of Devon and Cornwall Police with Dorset Police, specifically the proposal's failure to adequately address:
 - a. essential practice of providing key stakeholders with full details of the proposed merger until the engagement period has concluded. This raises considerable alarm about the lack of transparency and failure to disclose key facts that would enable informed feedback from stakeholders;

- b. opportunities to formally consult with key stakeholders such as Local Authorities on a process that directly impacts local areas and local communities;
 - c. financial modelling sufficient to justify the proposal, or to demonstrate value for money to citizens;
 - d. discrepancies in how additional income will be generated and allocated as a result of the merger, with specific reference to funding the proposed additional 430 police officers or staff;
 - e. whether any increase in revenue to the proposed merged force will be reinvested back into the city's policing offer;
 - f. whether policing resources will be committed to meet the specific needs of urban areas such as Plymouth, given its status in the force area, and how Plymouth's policing model will be affected;
 - g. whether the merger will result in further reductions in neighbourhood policing, specifically Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) and neighbourhood beat managers (NBM);
 - h. whether the city will remain a Basic Command Unit within the new force, and what commitments are made to the visibility of senior police staff and the Police and Crime Commissioner in the city within a greatly enlarged force area;
 - i. the impact assessment of the merger, specifically with respect to equalities and diversity, and as a result of any potential rise in council tax payments on the city's most vulnerable residents;
 - j. the failure to reference any intention to improve the condition and use of the police estate in Plymouth in line with the ambitions of a modern police force.
2. write to both Police and Crime Commissioners and Chief Constables requesting that they review their arrangements for consultation, endorsing the view set out in 1(a-j) above, to allow Plymouth City Council and other key stakeholders to review a business case that fully addresses all the above concerns prior to its submission to the Home Office.
 3. write to the Home Secretary expressing its severe reservations about the proposed merger between Devon and Cornwall Police with Dorset Police, while highlighting the request to both Police and Crime Commissioners and Chief Constables to review their arrangements for consultation to allow key stakeholders to review a business case that fully addresses our concerns prior to its submission to the Home Office.
 4. irrespective of the outcome of the police merger proposal, endorse the following Policing asks for the city:
 - a. Investment back into neighbourhood policing, specifically the provision of more PSCOs and
 - b. Neighbourhood Beat Officers;
 - c. Improvements are made to local 999 responses;
 - d. Commitment to improve the condition and use of the police estate in Plymouth in line with the ambitions of a modern police force;
 - e. A spend profile for Plymouth that reflects the complexity of needs and demands of policing a major urban centre;
 - f. Retention of the city's Basic Command Unit.

For the motion (52)

Lord Mayor, Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Derrick, Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook, R Smith and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (0)

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster, Stevens and K Taylor.

(Councillor Stevens was absent due to interests declared)

36. Delivery of the Plymouth Road Junction improvements

Councillor Nicholson proposed a motion regarding the Delivery of the Plymouth Road Junction improvements. Councillor Mrs Beer seconded the motion.

After a short debate Councillor Coker proposed that the motion was put to the vote. Councillor Coker seconded the motion. Following a vote the motion was carried.

For the motion (28)

Councillors Buchan, Coker, Corvid, Dann, Derrick, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, Mavin, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Winter, Wheeler and Neil.

Against the motion (24)

Councillors Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Carson, Mrs Loveridge, Cook and R Smith.

Abstentions (1)

Lord Mayor

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

Following Councillor Nicholson's summation the motion was put to the vote and was lost.

For the motion (24)

Councillors Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Carson, Mrs Loveridge, Cook and R Smith.

Against the motion (28)

Councillors Buchan, Coker, Corvid, Dann, Derrick, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, Mavin, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Winter, Wheeler and Neil.

Abstentions (1)

Lord Mayor

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

37. **Cuts to Youth Services**

Councillor J Taylor (Cabinet Member for Education, Skills and Transformation), proposed a motion regarding the Cuts to Youth Services. Councillor McDonald (Cabinet Member for Children and Young People) seconded the motion.

Following a debate council agreed to instruct the Director of Children's Services to write to the relevant government minister(s) formally asking the Government to:

1. Devolve a proportion of the funding allocated to the NCS to local government so that councils can increase spending on year-round provision for young people in the community.
2. Consider the introduction of new legislation requiring local authorities to provide a statutory minimum level of support for young people so that in future frontline youth services are better protected from Government cuts.

For the motion (28)

Councillors Buchan, Coker, Corvid, Dann, Derrick, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, Mavin, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Winter, Wheeler and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (25)

Lord Mayor, Councillors Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drear, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Carson, Mrs Loveridge, Cook and R Smith.

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

38. **Clean our Patch**

The Lord Mayor, in accordance with article 14.1(b) of the Constitution and Council Procedure Rule 21, moved to suspend the usual procedural rules of debate to allow order of business was varied to enable this Motion on Notice to be brought forward on the agenda.

The Deputy Lord Mayor seconded the motion and following a show of hands the motion was carried.

Councillor Stevens (Chair of Planning Committee), proposed a motion regarding Clean Our Patch. Councillor Corvid seconded the motion.

Following a debate council agreed to

Congratulate Clean Our Patch, a vibrant community group dedicated to keeping Plymouth tidy and making our city a nicer place for everyone to enjoy. Starting from a small number of people in Keyham, Clean Our Patch is increasing in number and regularly organises community litter in Devonport, Mutley, Greenbank, Mount Wise, Plympton and further afield. As resources from the Government continue to decrease, Plymouth City Council will continue to do what we can, but the emergence of local voluntary groups is a welcome addition to help in very localised efforts.

Working closely with Councillors and residents, Clean Our Patch represents the very best in community spirit and deserves the ongoing support of Plymouth City Council. We pledge to continue to work alongside this dedicated and expanding group and others like them to support their efforts in making Plymouth's neighbourhoods areas we can be proud of and raising awareness of how we can all help keep our city clean and tidy.

For the motion (53)

Lord Mayor, Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Buchan, Derrick, , Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook, R Smith and Neil.

Against the motion (0)

Abstentions (0)

Absent / Did Not Vote (4)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster and K Taylor.

39. **Woolwell to The George Road widening scheme**

Councillor Nicholson proposed a motion regarding the Woolwell to The George Road Widening Scheme. Councillor Deacon seconded the motion.

Following a short debate the motion Councillor Nicholson withdrew the motion.

40. **Support for the introduction of safe standing in football grounds**

Councillor Winter (Vice Chair, Performance, Finance and Customer Focus Overview and Scrutiny Committee), proposed a motion regarding Safe Standing at Football Grounds.

Councillor Morris (Chair, Brexit, Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview and Scrutiny Committee) seconded the motion.

Following a debate council agreed to ask the Leader of the Council to-

1. Write to the board of Plymouth Argyle FC supporting its aspiration to introduce a safe standing section in its Home Park redevelopment plans.
2. Write to the Secretary of State for the Department of Culture, Media and Sport, highlighting this council's support for legislative change to allow football clubs in England to introduce safe standing in stadiums.

For the motion (38)

Councillors Coker, Corvid, Dann, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, James, Jordan, Buchan, Derrick, Mavin, Carson, Winter, Mrs Loveridge, Cook and Neil.

Against the motion (1)

Councillor Michael Leaves

Abstentions (12)

Lord Mayor, Councillors Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, Kelly, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, R Smith and Mrs Bridgeman.

Absent / Did Not Vote (6)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster, K Taylor, Mrs Pengelly and Wigens.

41. **Conservative Attempts to Stop People Voting**

Councillor Stevens (Chair of Planning Committee), proposed a motion regarding Conservative Attempts to Stop People Voting. Councillor Wheeler (Joint Chair of Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee) seconded the motion.

Following a debate council agreed to –

1. Support The Salvation Army, AGE UK, The Royal National Institute of Blind People, Stonewall, The National Union of Students and numerous other groups in opposing the Conservative Government's plans to make voting in British elections more difficult by requiring photo identification at Polling Stations.
 - In 2017, only 28 allegations of identity fraud were made out of nearly 45 million votes being cast, representing a potential problem of 0.00006222% if all the allegations were true. To date only one successful prosecution has been seen. As introducing these plans for General Elections is estimated at around £20 million, we believe £700,000 to address each allegation is somewhat excessive. This appears to be a calculated Conservative attempt to put barriers in the way of ordinary people wanting to vote for the representatives of their choice. Around 3.5 million adults (7.5% of voters) have no photo identification and 11 million have no passport or driving licence.

- In pilots of the plans in five Council areas, 350 voters were turned away because they did not have sufficient identification documentation. There is no way of knowing how many others didn't bother to go because they knew or assumed they would not be allowed to vote.
 - Voting in elections should be actively encouraged, not made more difficult as the Conservative Government wants, particularly for those from minorities and poorer parts of the UK.
2. To this end we ask the Audit and Governance Committee to examine what these plans mean for Plymouth voters, and what steps can be taken to increase, not decrease, the number of voters taking part in our elections.

For the motion (28)

Councillors Buchan, Coker, Corvid, Dann, Derrick, Evans OBE, Goslin, Haydon, Hendy, Laing, Lowry, Mavin, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Rennie, Singh, P Smith, Stevens, J Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Winter, Wheeler and Neil.

Against the motion (23)

Councillors Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Churchill, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Fletcher, Mrs Johnson, James, Jordan, Kelly, Michael Leaves, Mrs Leaves, Dr Mahoney, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Wiggins, Mrs Bridgeman, Carson, Mrs Loveridge, Cook and R Smith.

Abstentions (1)

Lord Mayor

Absent / Did Not Vote (5)

Councillors Aspinall, Darcy, Foster, Wiggins and K Taylor.

42. **Questions by Councillors**

	From	To	Topic
1	Cllr Bowyer	Cllr Evans OBE	The content of the question was ruled out of order by the Lord Mayor.
2	Cllr Carson	Cllr P Smith	Trade Union subsidies.
3	Cllr Deacon	Cllr P Smith	“There but not there” Charity and WWI commemoration.
4	Cllr Kelly	Cllr Lowry	Woolwell to the George Road widening scheme.
5	Cllr Kelly	Cllr Dann	Alternative weekly collections.
6	Cllr Ball	Cllr Coker	Roads Schemes and impacts on local business.
7	Cllr beer	Cllr McDonald	School commitment to Operation Encompass.
8	Cllr James	Cllr Dann	Update on Cot Hill Bridge.

9	Cllr R Smith	Cllr Lowry	CCTV at Oreston quay.
10	Cllr Johnson	Cllr Dann	Greenspace at Hartley Vale.
11	Cllr Churchill	Cllr Dann	Bamboo replacements for single use plastic cups.
12	Cllr Laing	Cllr Coker	Residents parking schemes.
13	Cllr Kelly	Cllr Dann	Street Service Staff deployment.
14	Cllr Jordan	Cllr Penberthy	Traveller temporary stopping places.
15	Cllr Beer	Cllr J Taylor	Number of home schooled children in Plymouth.
16	Cllr Nicholson	Cllr Dann	Cot Hill bridge.
17	Cllr Ball	Cllr Dann	Trees and television reception.
18	Cllr S Leaves	Cllr Dann	Planning for impact of phasing out of diesel and petrol vehicles.
19	Cllr Dr Mahoney	Cllr Dann	Grass cutting.
20	Cllr Jordan	Cllr Penberthy	Changes in the law in relation to trespass.
21	Cllr Beer	Cllr Evans OBE	Response to a resident's letter.
22	Cllr Dr Mahoney	Cllr Haydon	Travellers incursion onto central park.
23	Cllr Johnson	Cllr Penberthy	Council Tax suspension for families affected by Barne Barton fire.
24	Cllr Beer	Cllr Dann	Vegetation obscuring highway signage.
25	Cllr Dr Mahoney	Cllr Dann	Central Park play area.