# **COUNCIL ACTIONS 2021/22**



The table below summarises actions taken in regards Motions on Notice (MoNs) passed at Council meetings.

Items which are greyed out have been completed. Hyperlinks to the original motions and any letters already published are included below. Democratic Support publish an update to Council Actions in relation to Motions on Notice on the last Friday of every month.

Date	COUNCIL MOTIONS	LEAD OFFICER	PROGRESS			
Council Actions from Motions on Notice						
25/0 1/21	Marine Environment & Fishing	Assistant Chief Executive				
	Amended to –  Fishing and the Marine Environment are vitally important to the City of Plymouth and its economy.					
	To specifically support our local fishing community and to protect our internationally important marine environment we call on the Leader of Plymouth City Council:		ONGOING  Letter to be discussed with Cllr Nick Kelly ( Leader)			
	To write on behalf of the Council, congratulating the Prime Minister on bringing the UK in line with the EU ban on pulse fishing introduced in 2018, supporting the regulation of vessel types to protect our marine environment and sustainable fisheries, and to ask for the following:					
	I. With respect to the £23m compensation fund designed to help those negatively impacted by new UK red tape and UK systems designed to comply with our new third country status, to ensure that Plymouth and the South West fishing boats, exporters and supply chain who have been greatly affected are prioritised.					
	2. With respect to the £100m fund announced for infrastructure and fishing vessel renewal, to ensure that in particular Plymouth and the South West vessels and English fishing supply chain businesses and harbours who have done particularly and disproportionately badly out of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement will see increased support, to remain competitive and in business.					
	3. The urgent publication of the Government's consultation responses on					

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	i) Quota allocations and management in 2021 and beyond: England and the Crown dependencies  ii) Fisheries: strengthening the economic link licence condition in England  lii) Fisheries: apportioning additional quota between the UK administrations: UK and the Crown dependencies.		
14/0 6/21	On January 9 <sup>th</sup> 2020 our Public Health Unit brought the Plymouth Oral Health Needs Assessment to the Health and Wellbeing Board because of the concerns for the dental health of Plymouth's residents. The report included information on the rise in the numbers of residents on the NHS dental waiting list, since then the numbers on that list has increased and last September were over 16,000.  NHS England have produced a South West Dental Needs Assessment report but it fails to address the issues that both a Dental Scrutiny Select Committee and the Health and Wellbeing Board identified in March this year.  Council requests that the Chief Executive urgently writes to the Secretary of State for Health and to the Children's Commissioner asking for immediate action to address the dental health needs of all Plymouth residents.	Health	COMPLETE The Chief Executive sent a letter to – The Rt Hon Matt Hancock MP (Secretary of State for Health and Social Care) – 23 June 2021  Dame Rachel de Souza (Children's Commissioner for England) – 23 June 2021
14/0 6/21	Education Recovery Plan  Plymouth City Council notes that:	Director of Children's Services	
	The Government published its plans for education recovery after the pandemic on 2nd June. Sir Kevan Collins was appointed by the Prime Minister as the Government's Education Recovery Commissioner to determine how much was needed to repair the damage done to the nation's pupils because of Covid. He judged		

it would take £15bn - the Government's recent offer of £1.4bn falls far short and is wholly inadequate. The Education Policy Institute have calculated that this amounts to £50 per pupil per year. This contrasts with £1,600 per pupil in the USA and £2,500 per pupil in the Netherlands.

We cannot build back better from the pandemic and have an education system that supports high standards and strong mental health for everyone on the cheap.

Separately, the Department for Education has changed the census used to calculate Pupil Premium funding for the most disadvantaged pupils. This means that £500,000 is being taken away from young people and schools most in need in our city – we are not going to level up the country on the backs of the most disadvantaged children.

Plymouth City Council resolves:

To lobby the Government to value and invest in all our children, so they are supported to learn, succeed, and go on to have bright futures.

To write to the Prime Minister and call on the Government to scale up its ambition for our children and young people and give our education system the resources it needs to ensure that no child is left behind. The Government should show it is serious about levelling up by putting in the investment called for by its own former Education Recovery Commissioner.

## COMPLETE

The Leader sent letters

Rt Hon Gavin
Williamson CBE MP
Secretary of State for
Education

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP

Minister of State for

School Standards

## 14/0 6/21

#### **Mental Health services**

The Covid-19 pandemic and lockdown has been a difficult time for all, we have seen our NHS locally coping with unprecedented pressures and we applaud their commitment and professionalism.

However, there are also long lasting demands on the services for the mental health and wellbeing of Plymouth's residents.

Currently the waiting time for referrals are excessive compared to neighbouring Devon. Concerns have been raised that children have been excluded from school until they have been assessed by the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services.

Chief Executive/ Strategic Director for People Council requests that the Chief Executive urgently writes to the CCG Commissioners to request that increased funding be made available to strengthen the Mental Health Services in Plymouth. The service in Plymouth should receive the same funding per capita as Devon, so enabling the referral to treatment time to be comparable.

#### COMPLETE

The Chief Executive sent a letter to –

Jane Milligan (Chief
Executive of the
Integrated Care System
for Devon and NHS
Devon Clinical
Commissioning Group)
22 June 2021

# 14/0 Opting Out of NHS Patient Data Sharing With6/21 the Private Sector

#### Amended to -

Plymouth City Council recognises the crucial role our NHS services play in maintaining the health and well-being of our residents, and particularly their essential work during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

The Council notes with concern plans by the U.K. Government to pool 55 million NHS patient records, including sensitive data on mental health, into a central database that will be made available to researchers and third parties in the private sector. The Council understands that while this data will be anonymised and given "codes" by NHS Digital that can be used to reveal the identity of the data's owners if there is a "valid legal reason". Privacy campaigners have said the plans are "legally problematic".

The Council notes with particular concern the fact that there has been little public notice or political debate about these plans, and the fact that NHS patients only have until 30 September 2021 to opt-out of this data sharing, via an online form (1).

Understanding that a significant portion of our residents do not have reliable Internet access—particularly our residents living in poverty—the Council will undertake a prominent campaign in social media and the local press to advise Plymouth's NHS patients about their right to optout of data sharing.

 https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/datacollections-and-data-sets/datacollections/general-practice-data-for-planningAssistant
Chief
Executive/
Strategic
Director
for People

## **ONGOING**

Social media campaign ongoing and briefing has been organised for all members.

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