

Norfolk County Council

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting Held on 6 November 2015

Present:

Mr A Adams	Mr I Mackie
Mr C Aldred	Mr I Monson
Mr S Askew	Mr J Mooney
Mr R Bearman	Ms E Morgan
Mr R Bird	Mr S Morphew
Mr B Borrett	Mr G Nobbs
Dr A Boswell	Mr W Northam
Mr B Bremner	Mr R Parkinson-Hare
Mrs J Brociek-Coulton	Mr J Perkins
Mr M Castle	Mr G Plant
Mr J Childs	Mr A Proctor
Mr S Clancy	Mr D Ramsbotham
Mr T Coke	Mr W Richmond
Mr D Collis	Mr D Roper
Ms E Corlett	Ms C Rumsby
Mr A Dearnley	Mr M Sands
Mrs M Dewsbury	Mr E Seward
Mr T East	Mr R Smith
Mr T FitzPatrick	Mr P Smyth
Mr C Foulger	Mr B Spratt
Mr T Garrod	Mr B Stone
Mr P Gilmour	Mrs M Stone
Mr A Grey	Mr M Storey
Mrs S Gurney	Dr M Strong
Mr B Hannah	Mrs A Thomas
Mr M Chenery of Horsbrugh	Mr J Timewell
Mr H Humphrey	Mrs C Walker
Mr B Iles	Mr J Ward
Mr C Jordan	Mr B Watkins
Mr M Kiddle-Morris	Mr M Wilby
Mr J Law	Mrs M Wilkinson
Mr B Long	

Present: 63

Apologies for Absence:

Apologies for absence were received from Mr S Agnew, Mr M Baker, Mr A Byrne, Mr M Carttiss, Mrs J Chamberlin, Mrs H Cox, Mr D Crawford, Mr N Dixon, Mr J Dobson, Mr P Hacon, Mr D Harrison, Mr T Jermy, Mr J Joyce, Ms A Kemp, Mrs J Leggett, Mr N Shaw, Miss J Virgo, Ms S Whitaker and Mr A White.

1 Chairman's Announcements

- 1.1 There were no Chairman's Announcements

2 Declarations of Interest

- 2.1 Mr R Bearman declared an interest as he was a Committee Member of Norfolk and Norwich Transport Action Group which was a signatory on the letter sent to all Members by the Wensum Valley Alliance (WVA).

3 Norwich Northern Distributor Road

- 3.1 Council received the report by the Executive Director Community and Environmental Services and the Executive Director Finance updating Members on the final target costs for the scheme and asking for approval of a mechanism to fund the budget shortfall.

- 3.2 Members were asked to:

1. Acknowledge the funding contributions made by Department for Transport (DfT) and the New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership (NALEP) and agree an NCC contribution of £10.4m to meet the budget shortfall;
2. Approve the funding mechanism set out in the report to deliver the additional funds of £10.4m to support the NDR and approve an adjustment to the 2015-18 capital programme to reflect the additional budget requirement and funding as set out in the report.
3. Subject to the approval by DfT of the NDR 'full approval' submission, the Council confirms the award of the Stage 2 construction works to Balfour Beatty, to set the project in motion for an anticipated November 2015 start.

- 3.3 Mr G Nobbs moved the report and recommendations, which was duly seconded by Mr T Coke.

- 3.4 Dr A Boswell moved the following amendment, which was seconded by Mr A Dearnley.

Members are asked to:

1. Instruct officers to make a full investigation of the option for a revised DCO for an NDR between A47 and A140 at section 4.1c) with a view to saving £45m capital investment.
2. Acknowledge possible funding contributions from DfT and the NALEP, and defer deciding on any NCC contribution until the full investigation at recommendation 1 is completed.
3. Note the possible funding mechanism set out in this report to deliver the additional funds of £10.4m to support the NDR. Defer approving an adjustment to the 2015-18 Highways capital programme to reflect the additional budget requirement and funding as set out in this report until the full investigation at recommendation 1 is completed.
4. Defer award to the Stage 2 construction works to Balfour Beatty until the full investigation at recommendation 1 is completed.

- 3.5 Following debate and on being put to a vote, with 4 votes in favour, 55 votes against and 3 abstentions, the amended motion was **LOST**.

- 3.6 Council then debated the substantive motion and upon being put to a vote, with 55

votes in favour, 7 votes against and 0 abstentions, Council **RESOLVED** to:

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The meeting ended at 11.45 am.

Chairman



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