

Committee(s): Audit & Scrutiny Committee	Date: 8 March.2022
Subject: Ordinary Council Motions 2021/2022	Wards Affected: All
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Summary

At a previous meeting of Audit & Scrutiny held on 6th July 2021 Cllr Dr Barrett, requested a report to be presented on the progress of Ordinary Council Motions (Min 77 refers) under the Scrutiny Work Programme

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- R1. That members note the progress of Ordinary Council Motions for 2021/22.**

Main Report

1. This report will form part of the Scrutiny Working Programme and an annual report will presented at last Audit and Scrutiny of the Municipal year to ensure transparent governance and open to scrutiny.
2. Appendix A shows a total of seven motions approved by Ordinary Council from July 2021 until December 2021. Any further motions approved in the municipal year 2021/22 will be reported accordingly.

Introduction and Background

3. Any one or more Members of the Council may, by notice received by the Monitoring Officer no later than 10.00 am eleven working days before the day of the Council meeting, require the Council to consider a motion about a matter relating to which the Council has powers or duties or which affects the Council's area. A notice of motion may be accompanied by a statement of not more than 200 words setting out the reason for the proposed motion.

4. The Monitoring Officer will record all notices of motions (not including a rejected notice) in the order in which they are received, and such record shall be open to public inspection on request.
5. Motions can be rejected by the Monitoring Officer if: -
 - (a) it does not comply with the requirements of this Rule;
 - (b) the notice of motion is defamatory of an individual, offensive, or otherwise infringes the proper conduct of local government; or
 - (c) the recommendation in the notice of motion would be illegal.
6. A motion or amendment in similar terms to one that has been rejected at a meeting of Council in the past six months cannot be moved except in accordance with Rules 8.3.17.
7. The Council shall not debate any motion which would give rise to a significant change to the income of the Council, to its expenditure or to contract terms, unless it has received a report from the Chief Finance Officer or the Monitoring Officer, as appropriate, setting out the legal or financial effect of the motion.
8. Motions of Council will not be accepted at Annual Council, Extra Ordinary Council or Ordinary Council (Budgetary Framework).

Consultation

9. None.

References to Corporate Plan

10. Delivery an efficient and effective Council – Transparent Decision making.

Implications

Financial Implications

Name/Title: Jacqueline Van Mellaerts, Corporate Director (Finance & Resources)
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11. There are no direct financial implications.

Legal Implications

Name & Title: Amanda Julian, Corporate Director (Law & Governance) and Monitoring Officer

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12. There are within the body of the report.

Economic Implications

Name/Title: Phil Drane, Corporate Director (Planning and Economy)

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13. There are no direct economic implications arising from this report.

Equality and Diversity Implications

Name/Title: Kim Anderson, Partnerships, Leisure & Funding Manager

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14. All Council decisions to reflect the Council's Section 149 duty.

Other Implications (where significant) – i.e. Health and Safety, Asset Management, Equality and Diversity, Risk Management, Section 17 – Crime & Disorder, Sustainability, ICT.

Background Papers

None

Appendices to this report

Appendix A: Ordinary Council Motions July 2021 – Dec 2021