



AUDIT & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

20th March 2024

REPORT TITLE:	Ordinary Council Motions June -December 2023
REPORT OF:	Claire Mayhew – Joint Acting Director of People & Governance and Monitoring Officer
REPORT OF FOR:	INFORMATION ONLY
WARDS:	ALL

REPORT 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.

This report will form part of the Scrutiny Working Programme and an annual report will be presented at last Audit and Scrutiny of the Municipal year to ensure transparent governance and open to scrutiny.

Appendix A shows a total of seven motions approved by Ordinary Council from June 2023 until December 2023. Any further motions approved in the municipal year 2023/2024 will be reported accordingly.

SUPPORT ING INFORMATION

1.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. 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.

2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. Motions of Council will not be accepted at Annual Council, Extra Ordinary Council or Ordinary Council (Budgetary Framework).

2.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Name & Title: Tim Willis, Director – Resources & Section 151 Officer
Tel & Email: 01277 312500 / tim.willis@brentwood.rochford.gov.uk

7. There are no direct financial implications.

3.0 LEGAL/GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Name & Title: Claire Mayhew, Acting Joint Director – People & Governance & Monitoring Officer
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8. There are within the body of the report.

4.0 ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS

Name & Title: Laurie Edmonds – Corporate Manager (Economic Development)
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9. There are no direct economic implications arising from this report.

5.0 EQUALITY & HEALTH IMPLICATIONS

Name & Title: Kim Anderson, Corporate Manager - Communities, Leisure and Health
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10. All Council decisions to reflect the Council's Section 149 duty.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Name & Title: Henry Muss, Sustainability & Climate Officer
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11. There are no direct environmental implications.

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APPENDICES

Appendix A: Ordinary Council Motions June 2023 – December 2023

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Audit & Scrutiny	8 th March 2022