

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL

1st July 2026

The ordinary meeting of the Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council was held on Wednesday, 1st July 2026.

Present

The Mayor (Councillor C. Cape)

Councillors, N. Bagga, M. Bannister, J. Bartlett, M. Bird, J. Bonner, D. Boughan, A. Brassington, R. Brill, S. Carvell, J. Clarke, S. Coates-Jarman, L. Cvetkovic, G. Finch, S. Finch, P. Gilbert, B. Greenwood, J. Groves, W. Hancox, P. Hickling, B. Hughes, K. Kondakor, M. Kondakor, S. Markham, W. Markham, C. Morris, B. Pandher, T. Sheppard, P. Smith, T. Venson, C. Watkins, K. Wilson and M. Wright

Apologies received for D. Brown, T. Cooper, N. King, C. Phillips, and B. Saru,

CL12 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 20th May 2026, were confirmed, and signed by the Mayor.

CL13 Declarations of Interests

RESOLVED that the Declarations of Interests for this meeting are as set out in the schedule attached to these minutes.

CL14 Announcements

The Mayor announced that his chosen charity was the Guardian's Grow Charity and they have recently opened a new hub called The Dragon's Crumble that can residents gain or improve skills such as cooking. The Mayor encouraged all members to visit.

The Mayor also congratulated newly elected Councillor Peter Gilbert on his member appointment. Councillor Pete Gilbert wished to place on record his thanks to the Chief Executive and staff for the excellent running of the By-election, in addition he wished to thank the conservative and labour candidates who stood during the by-election for their professionalism during the campaigning period and would be looking forward to representing his residents.

CL15 Public Participation

Question 1 – Kath Price asked the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Enabling Services and Communities:

At Cabinet on 12 November 2025, it was agreed that Nuneaton Town FC would be granted a 49-year lease and the preferred site was Vale View. Nuneaton Town FC submitted a comprehensive business plan for the development.

The latest update given by NBBC was verbally on 16 April 2026 during the celebration of the Lionesses plaque at the Jubilee Centre, when Nuneaton Town FC were assured that the legal process had begun to grant the licence for a preliminary risk assessment of the site.

Unfortunately, to date, no progress has been communicated.

As a resident of Stockingford West, I feel passionately about supporting the Back to Nuneaton campaign. Nuneaton Town FC's home was always in Stockingford at the Cock & Bear football Ground.

Some issues have been raised about increase in traffic and impact on wildlife. The plans clearly show adequate parking provision and most supporters, like myself, would walk to the ground. These proposals are not for a change of use: the site is already a football pitch and there are clear boundaries between the pitch and Whittleford Park that is home to local wildlife.

Stockingford is one of the most deprived areas in Warwickshire which is in much need of investment. These plans are not only a great idea for sport but will also bring investment and employment to the area.

Residents regularly raise concerns about the lack of provision for children and young people. A football club would provide much needed activities, equipment and education for our young people. We celebrated the Lionesses first World Cup match in Nuneaton but currently we don't even have a Town Ladies Team.

I am calling on NBBC to support the Back to Nuneaton campaign at Vale View and progress the plans to get our team back where they belong in Stockingford. Will NBBC confirm they support the plan and it's not going to be kicked into the long grass.

Councillor Mike Bannister, Portfolio Holder for Finance, Enabling Services and Communities responded as follows:

Thank you, Mr Mayor.

Kath, totally in favour of finding somewhere for Nuneaton Football club to go. We are a new administration, we had a meeting not so long ago with the Community Interest Group who are now running the club and I am glad it's a not-for-profit organisation, so there are no shareholders, so we won't have the sorts of problems, I hope, in the future that we have had in the past with Nuneaton Football Club.

Vale View, I know very well because when I was a Labour Councillor, I was a Stockingford Ward Councillor and I had that site levelled and football pitches laid down and, the area where people go to walk their dogs is in that area. The problem is that, I think we have to look at the access of the site. The feasibility study that was done by the Community Interest Group cost them a lot of money and they were just about to launch into the second phase with even more money and what we simply said to them was hang on while we evaluate Vale View, while we look if there are any other sites across the Borough that we could use. At the same time, I have to say, no one had really consulted Warwickshire County Council Highways about any of the issues that might arise, so I think things had rushed ahead slightly. I don't want people to think we have crossed Vale View off the list, we are simply saying don't spend any more money and let's look at all available sites. We want them to come home to Nuneaton and to be able to play in Nuneaton.

I take your point about people being able to walk there but a lot of people might not walk and we need to take that into account. The old days of the Borough when everyone streamed up from the town and down from Stockingford, those days are in the past. So, we are looking at all available sites in the Borough, we haven't ruled out Vale View, we just don't want to spend anymore money until we are certain of where we go.

Councillor K. Wilson moved that the above item be referred to the relevant OSP for further consideration.

This was seconded by Councillor S. Markham

A vote was taken

RESOLVED that the above item be referred to the relevant OSP for further consideration

Question 2 – Christian Smith asked the following question to the Leader of the Council

In the recent Annual Council, the Leader of the Council referenced "people with medieval attitudes" in relation to being housed in HMO. in the same speech, I seem to remember the Leader also referencing "illegal immigrants" when referring to same.

In a recent statement released by the Leader of the Council in his other role as Leader of Warwickshire County Council, the Leader referred to the recently convicted rapist from last summer's shocking incident as an "asylum seeker".

Given the ongoing tensions when it comes to asylum seekers, HMO and illegal immigrants, can the Leader of the Council confirm he knows the difference between:

- Asylum seekers

- illegal immigrants

Further, can the Leader of the Council confirm he knows that NBBC are not responsible for housing asylum seekers, and that illegal immigrants would never be housed by NBBC as an illegal immigrant has no right to rent as per the Immigration Act 2016, and that he will refrain from using inflammatory rhetoric when referring to HMO on the grounds that housing asylum seekers is not a NBBC function?

The Leader of the Council, Councillor George Finch responded as follows:

Again we have heard this time and time again from socialist, left wing councillors they do not care about residents in the Borough, we have heard this before.

Now, my statement that I made is what the public want to hear and have been crying out for, for years. The borough council people in Nuneaton and Bedworth do not want illegal immigrants housed in HMOs. I have had meetings with Rent-a-Room, with many of the businesses, talking about this issue. We should not be housing illegal residents that are not vetted, fighting aged men, in our Borough that have the potential of committing heinous crimes which you saw last year and again when you had labour and green councillors calling this rapist – ‘oh his life has been ruined’ shocking and disgusting comments that were made in supporting an asylum seeker that has raped a 12-year-old girl. Reform UK under my leadership has been the only party to call this out so I will not complain, I will not question what I have said, and I will not go back on it. I was right and the code of conduct complaint that was brought against me found that I was right in what I did in the public interest. I don’t want anymore of this daft questioning from people who don’t understand the simple fact, people of Nuneaton and Bedworth do not want illegal immigrants housed in our Borough and this administration is 100% committed to ensure we are going to stop this as much as we can.

CL16 Questions by Members

Question 1 – Councillor Mike Wright submitted the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Health:

Could the responsible cabinet member clarify what steps are being taken to mitigate the effects of extreme weather events, given that such events are likely to become both more frequent and more severe?

The Leader of the Council, Councillor George Finch, responded as follows:

Thank you, Mr Mayor, I will be taking this question for this meeting.

I believe the weather event that we have just had is fantastic, we can all get a lovely tan, we all enjoy the sun. I wouldn’t call these ‘extreme weather

events'. We know what your party are saying, that climate change is going to destroy the whole world, as a country you know we can do very little and, as a Borough, we can do very little but, officers have had frequent communication with other officers across the Borough Council who have been working in this heat giving them messages about keeping hydrated, where to go etc and this has been communicated to all the people across the Borough. We have done our job as a Council but I would encourage people to enjoy the weather, have a lovely ice cream and a pint in the lovely heat, that's what we should be doing not scaremongering people that the world is going to end just because of a little bit of heat, I think it is quite crazy to suggest that.

Councillor Mike Wright asked a supplementary question as follows:

Could Councillor Finch confirm if he read the book on Climate Change given to him at the last meeting by Councillor Brady Hughes?

Councillor George Finch responded as follows:

Thank you for your question and guess what... no I didn't, do you know why? because I know that climate change is a natural thing that has been going on since the world began. I understand you have this crazy obsession with this and also cycling/cycling lanes but that is a different point but you need understand that we are fully committed to making sure our areas are nice and clean and tidy, that's what we want to do, we want to make sure that our environment is good and clean but we don't need to bankrupt our residents by enacting some crazy net zero agenda which your party has kind of dropped now they are more pro-Palestine and all that type of stuff, you don't really know what you stand for.

Question 2 – Councillor Michele Kondakor submitted the following question to the Chair of Communities, Corporate Resources and Housing OSP:

Membership of Overview and Scrutiny Panels (OSPs) is an important role for councillors. The panels are a mechanism for constructive challenge and questioning of decisions, in order to achieve better outcomes for residents. It was, therefore, disappointing that the meeting of the Communities, Corporate Resources and Housing OSP on Thursday 25th June, was only attended by 5 of the 9 members, who had been appointed. No apologies had been received. Will the Chair of the OSP take steps to encourage attendance (and substitutions when attendance isn't possible) and participation in this important role?

Councillor Damon Brown, Chair of Communities, Corporate Resources and Housing OSP had sent his apologies for the meeting but gave a written response as follows:

I share the disappointment of Councillor M. Kondakor that the attendance at the OSP meeting was low. No apologies for absence were received in advance of the start of the meeting and apologies were received from one Councillor after the start of the meeting. Consequently, there was no way of knowing in advance of the start of the meeting that some Members would not be present so that substitutes could be requested. The date of the meeting

coincided with a by-election in the Camp Hill Ward and this may have had some bearing on the meeting attendance.

The next meeting of the OSP is due to take place on 22 October 2026 and I will ask for a reminder to be sent out to Members in advance advising of the importance of attending and asking that anyone who is unable to attend sends notice of this to Democratic Services.

Question 3 – Councillor Keith Kondakor submitted the following question to the Chair of Business, Regeneration and Planning:

In February 2023 the then Conservative administration of this council formally launched the Grayson place project and said “Grayson Place will be the home of a new hotel, cinema, entertainment centre, food hall, multi-storey car park, education facilities and new shops. As Grayson Place takes shape, 400 jobs will be created during the construction and 1,500 jobs when completed.”

It has clearly under-delivered and cost a, still-to-be-determined, massive amount of public money. As chair of the OSP, will you enable a detailed investigation into this project, make sure lessons are learned and investigate if we can claim some of the fees back from the very expensive external consultants?

Councillor Jeff Clarke, Chair of Business, Regeneration and Planning OSP, responded as follows:

Thank you for your question.

Councillor Kondakor was a member of the council at the time of the events in question, so he will already be familiar with much of the history. But it is worth repeating for newer members.

The funding the council secured for regenerating Nuneaton was based on business cases developed and submitted in 2019. It is worth bearing in mind that this is before the key events of Covid and the war in Ukraine, both of which caused massive shocks to the international supply chain and global economy. He should also remember that inflation was running at an eye-watering 11% at one point due to these events.

These shocks forced the cost of our project's way above the original budgets, and the last conservative administration led by my colleague Councillor Wilson had to rescue the projects and prevent the council entering effective bankruptcy. He requested officers to commission a report to advise on the affordability of Grayson Place and this report stated that even the 2019 financial modelling was wildly optimistic despite assurances given by the then section 151 officer.

Conservatives' actions saved Grayson Place and this Council from bankruptcy.

Just to prove to Councillor Kondakor that we are not alone in this, the National Audit Office has reported that 8 out of 10 councils that received levelling up funding experienced the same challenges as we did and who were unable to complete their regeneration schemes.

Having discussed this with officers, they have confirmed it is usual practice that once a project has finished, they will undertake a review. When this has taken place, I am happy for OSP to examine its findings. However, other elements of his question are down to Cabinet members in relation to the finance information and not myself as the Chair of OSP.

Councillor Keith Kondakor asked a supplementary question:

Can I thank Councillor Clarke by saying that he will conduct an end of project review, can I make sure that is on the work programme particularly in getting money back from consultants as they advised us and if they advised us badly and were paid a great amount, we want some money back as we got nothing from Grayson Place compared to what we were offered. So lots of money been spent, I accept the review, can as Chair of OSP ensure it is an effective one rather than making excuses.

Councillor Jeff Clarke responded as follows:

Yes as indicated I am more than happy after the project is completed to have a review come back to OSP. I also indicated in relation to the financial part of the question that Councillor Kondakor would have to go to the Cabinet Member in relation to funding and any specific enquires.

Question 4 – Councillor Kris Wilson submitted the following question to the Leader of the Council:

The last Labour administration began the process of giving asylum seekers based in our Borough free Passports to Leisure, something out of the reach of thousands of our hardworking and taxpaying residents.

In addition, they introduced a migrant worker policy that would see our council – and therefore our taxpayers – pay thousands of pounds in visa fees and relocation costs for applicants to jobs at our council from outside the UK.

Would the Leader of the Council agree with me that these Labour schemes are out-of-touch, fundamentally unfair and politically deaf? And will he ensure that they are consigned to the dustbin of history? If he does, he will have the support of the Conservatives in this chamber.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor George Finch responded as follows:

Thank you Councillor Wilson, after seeing your question, I spoke to officers about this, it is absolutely disgusting that this was allowed to happen and thanks for highlighting it again and we will be 100% confining this to the dustbin of history because it is wrong, we should be putting the people of

Nuneaton and Bedworth first not people who have come from other countries, it is very simple. Thank you.

Councillor S. Markham moved the following motion:

‘This Council believes that taxpayers’ money should be spent for the benefit of our residents and therefore resolves that:

1) The previous Labour administration’s proposals to give asylum seekers free Passports to Leisure is fundamentally wrong and unfair. The Leader of the Council is requested to bring a report to Cabinet at the earliest available opportunity to reverse the previous decision to investigate this proposal further.

2) The previous Labour administrations Migrant Worker Policy is against the interests of residents and a waste of taxpayers’ money. The Leader of the Council is requested to bring to Cabinet at the earliest available opportunity to scrap this policy

This was seconded by Councillor K. Wilson

Councillor K. Kondakor moved that there are two votes one on part 1 of the motion and another vote on part 2 of the motion

Councillor M. Wright seconded the motion

A vote was taken

The motion was lost.

Councillor B. Hancox moved an amendment that the report as mentioned in part 1 be submitted to the relevant OSP prior to Cabinet.

Councillor B. Hughes seconded the amendment

A vote was taken

The amendment was lost

A recorded vote was taken on the motion put forward by Councillor S. Markham and seconded by Councillor K. Wilson

FOR: Councillors N. Bagga, M. Bannister, J. Bartlett, M. Bird, D. Boughan, A. Brassington, R. Brill, C. Cape, S. Carvell, J. Clarke, S. Coates-Jarman, L. Cvetkovic, G. Finch, S. Finch, P. Gilbert, B. Greenwood, J. Groves, S. Markham, W. Markham, C. Morris, B. Pandher, P. Smith and K. Wilson

AGAINST: Councillors J. Bonner, W. Hancox, P. Hickling, B. Hughes, M. Kondakor, T. Venson, C. Watkins and M. Wright

ABSTENTIONS: K. Kondakor and T. Sheppard

RESOLVED that the motion was carried

Question 5 – Councillor Lubs Cvetkovic submitted the following question to the Leader of the Council:

In the summer of 2024, the Labour leadership of NBBC cancelled the funding of the Bulkington Christmas Lights switch on event.

This was done without any consultation with the local community. It left the community with approximately £5000 to find so the event could go ahead.

The event raises thousands of pounds for worthy causes and brings in much needed revenue and footfall to the community. It also builds on community cohesion and creates memories for families and for our youngest residents.

At the weekend I wrote to the Leader of the Council asking for his support and suggested that some of the £20,000 put aside for events should be used to reinstate the lights switch on event as a civic function.

I would therefore ask the leader if he is willing to help support financially the decades old institution of the Bulkington Christmas Lights switch on event?

Something that only the conservatives have been prepared to back over the last two years.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor George Finch, responded as follows:

Thank you, Councillor Cvetkovic we are 100% committed to this, so we will be supporting Bulkington Christmas Lights, it is a shame again, Labour administration completely shut out the people of Bulkington and we are in support of those. One thing I would suggest you may wish to organise a meeting with the County Councillor and myself and Borough Councillor to discuss further opportunities for Bulkington as well but you can propose this to Cabinet or to me and we will see where we go from there. I think Bulkington had been forgotten about for a long time.

Councillor K. Wilson moved the following motion:

‘This Council requests the Portfolio for Finance, Enabling Services and Communities investigate restoring the annual funding for Bulkington Christmas Lights Switch on’

Councillor L. Cvetkovic seconded the motion

Councillor P. Hickling moved the following amendment:

‘that the proposal include all wards of the Borough to receive funding for Christmas Lights Switch on’

Councillor K. Kondakor seconded the amendment

Councillor K. Wilson moved the procedural motion to suspend the standing orders to go beyond the 15minute time limit for this motion.

Councillor S. Markham seconded the procedural motion

A vote was taken on procedural motion

RESOLVED that the procedural motion was carried

A recorded vote on the amendment was taken as follows:

FOR: Councillors J. Bonner, W. Hancox, P. Hickling, B. Hughes, K. Kondakor, M. Kondakor, T. Sheppard, T. Venson, C. Watkins and M. Wright

AGAINST: Councillors N. Bagga, M. Bannister, J. Bartlett, M. Bird, D. Boughan, A. Brassington, R. Brill, C. Cape, S. Carvell, S. Coates-Jarman, L. Cvetkovic, G. Finch, S. Finch, P. Gilbert, B. Greenwood, J. Groves, S. Markham, W. Markham, C. Morris, B. Pandher, P. Smith and K. Wilson

ABSTENTIONS: J. Clarke

The amendment was lost

A recorded vote was taken on the substantive motion as follows:

FOR: Councillors N. Bagga, M. Bannister, J. Bartlett, M. Bird, D. Boughan, A. Brassington, R. Brill, C. Cape, S. Carvell, J. Clarke, S. Coates-Jarman, L. Cvetkovic, G. Finch, S. Finch, P. Gilbert, B. Greenwood, J. Groves, K. Kondakor, M. Kondakor, S. Markham, W. Markham, C. Morris, B. Pandher, P. Smith, K. Wilson and M. Wright.

AGAINST: Councillors J. Bonner, W. Hancox, P. Hickling, B. Hughes, T. Venson and C. Watkins.

ABSTENTIONS: T. Sheppard

RESOLVED that this Council requests the Portfolio for Finance, Enabling Services and Communities investigate restoring the annual funding for Bulkington Christmas Lights Switch on.

Question 6 – Councillor Sue Markham submitted the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Enabling Services and Communities:

Over the weekend there have been negative Facebook posts, and I have had several emails regarding outdoor events that had taken place in Bedworth this weekend that residents were unaware of.

This isn't the first time; it's a regular concern from residents of both Bedworth and Nuneaton.

I assume when an outdoor event is being organised the council are informed to make sure all is in order prior to the event itself.

I appreciate that it is the responsibility of the organisers to advertise the event but surely if we know of any events taking place, we should be letting residents know they exist in something other than Facebook.

Surely the events are to increase the vibrancy of our towns and communities and if residents are made aware, perhaps it will increase the footfall we are all after.

Unfortunately, there isn't a display notice board in Bedworth Town, so can we please ensure any future events across the borough, that we are aware of as a council, are circulated, in order that residents can participate if they wish and are not denied the chance to attend.

Councillor Mike Bannister, Portfolio Holder for Finance, Enabling Services and Communities responded to the question as follows:

Thank you for the question, Councillor Markham, we have got Believe in Bedworth, those are the people I suspect who may have organised the events in question, if they are we will certainly try and link up between Believe in Bedworth and any events they are organising and our communications team here. I am very keen that we get as many people as possible to these events, I will be reviewing that, and I am sure we will do our best to bring in those who are organising these events to let them know, to let us know, and then we can get them out to the people.

CL17 Special Urgency Decisions

None taken.

CL18 Cabinet

The Leader of the Council submitted the Leaders report on behalf of Cabinet. The report highlighted matters considered at the Cabinet meetings held on 27th May and 17th June 2026 and details of reports from the West Midlands Combined Authority Board (WMCAB), which has a direct impact on NBBC.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

CL19 Returning Officers report

The Returning Officer announced the results of the recent Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council Camp Hill By-election held on Thursday 25th June 2026.

Three candidates stood for election but Reform candidate Councillor Peter Gilbert was duly elected to represent Camp Hill Ward.

CL20 **Composition and Membership of Committees and Overview and Scrutiny Panel**

a) **Composition of Committees and Overview and Scrutiny Panel (2026/2027)**

Following the Camp Hill by-election which took place on Thursday 25th June 2026, Councillor P. Gilbert from the Reform party was elected, which has led to a change relating to political balance within the Council.

An adjournment took place to enable members to consider the composition and allocation of seats for Council.

Councillor G. Finch proposed the recommendation as per the report

Councillor R. Brill seconded the recommendation

A vote was taken

It was **RESOLVED** that having regard to the provisions relating to political balance, the composition of the following Committees/Scrutiny Panels subject to political balance rules be as indicated below for the remainder of the 2026/27 Municipal Year

Committee	Seats to Allocate	Conservative	Green	Labour	Reform	Vacant	Total
Business, Regeneration & Planning OSP (Excl co-optees)	9	2	1	2	4	-	9
Environment, Health & Leisure OSP (Excl co-optees)	9	2	1	2	4	-	9
Communities, Corporate Resources & Housing OSP (Excl co-optees)	9	2	1	3	3	-	9
Officer Remuneration Panel	5	1	-	1	3	-	5
Audit & Standards (Excl co-optees)	11	3	1	3	4	-	11
Planning	11	3	1	3	4	-	11
Licensing	11	3	1	3	4	-	11
Appeals	10	2	1	3	4	-	10
Shareholder Committee	6	1	-	2	3	-	6
Borough Plan	9	2	1	2	4	-	9
LGR Sub-Committee	7	2	-	2	3	-	7
Total	97	23	8	26	40	0	97

b) **Membership of Committees and Overview and Scrutiny Panels (2026/2027)**

Councillor George Finch moved that this item be deferred to enable consultation with Chief Executive prior to confirming membership.

Councillor K. Wilson seconded the motion.

A vote was taken

It was **RESOLVED** that the Membership of Committees and Overview and Scrutiny Panels (2026/27) be deferred to enable consultation with Chief Executive prior to confirming membership.

CL21 **Local Government Reform Sub-Committee**

A report of the Assistant Director – Democracy and Governance was submitted a report to full council to confirm the terms of reference, meeting schedule and membership of Local Government Reform Sub-Committee for 2026/27.

Councillor G. Finch moved the recommendations

Councillor M. Bannister seconded the recommendations

A vote was taken

RESOLVED that

- a) the terms of reference for the Local Government Reform Sub-Committee be approved with the following amendments:
 - 5.1 delete the words 'November 2025'
 - 6.1 delete the words 'with increased frequency in the lead-up to the November 2025 submission'
 - 6.3 amend the word 'may' to the word 'will'
- b) the meeting schedule for the 2026/27 Municipal Year be approved; and
- c) the Membership of the Local Government Reform Sub-committee for the 2026/27 Municipal Year be approved.

CL22 **Recommendations from Cabinet or Other Committee**

i) **Section 106 Monitoring System – Budget Variation**

At the Cabinet meeting held on 27th May 2026 a report by the Assistant Director – Planning was submitted and recommendations put forward for Council approval:

Councillor S. Coates-Jarman moved the recommendation for approval

Councillor G. Finch seconded the recommendation

A vote was taken

RESOLVED that the 2026/27 General Funding Budget be updated to account for Transformation Reserve funding of £30,100 to cover one-off costs associated with the Section 106 Monitoring Software Project.

ii) Housing Revenue Account (HRA) – Housing Stock Requisition – Manor Park Development

At the Cabinet meeting held on 17th June 2026 a report by the Assistant Director – Assets and Compliance was submitted and recommendations put forward for Council approval:

Councillor G. Finch moved the recommendations for approval

Councillor P. Smith seconded the recommendations

A vote was taken

RESOLVED that

- a) the HRA capital budget be amended to incorporate £774,312 over a three-year period as outlined in 5.1 of the report; and
- b) the one off charge for 2027/2028 of £32K be approved and built into the HRA Business Plan and 2027/2028 budget and note the income outlined in section 5.4 of the report.

iii) Commencement of New Local Plan

At the Cabinet meeting held on 17th June 2026 a report by the Assistant Director – Planning was submitted and a recommendation put forward for Council approval.

Councillor S. Coates-Jarman moved the recommendation for approval

Councillor G. Finch seconded the recommendation

A vote was taken

RESOLVED that the new Local Plan be titled the Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Local Plan (NBBLP), and that the Council's Constitution will be updated to retitle the Borough Plan Committee to the Local Plan Committee for consistency.

iv) Annual Treasury Management Review 2025/26

At the Audit and Standards Committee meeting held on 23rd June 2026, a report by the Treasury and Technical Business Partner was submitted and recommendations put forward for Council approval.

Councillor L. Cvetkovic moved the recommendations for approval

Councillor J. Bonner seconded the recommendations

A vote was taken

RESOLVED that

- a) the Treasury Management Report for 2025/26– Year End Report be noted; and
- b) the Maturity Structure of loans be updated as per section 9 of the report.

Councillor K. Kondakor requested that his vote against the above item recommendations be noted in the minutes.

v) Employee Code of Conduct

At the Audit and Standards Committee held on 23rd June 2026, a report by the Monitoring Officer was submitted and a recommendation put forward for Council approval.

Councillor L. Cvetkovic moved the recommendations for approval

Councillor J. Bonner seconded the recommendation

A vote was taken

RESOLVED that the constitution be amended accordingly

vi) Appointment of Independent Persons

At the Audit and Standards Committee held on 23rd June 2026, a report by the Monitoring Officer was submitted and a recommendation put forward for Council approval.

Councillor L. Cvetkovic moved the recommendation for approval

Councillor J. Bonner seconded the recommendation

A vote was taken

RESOLVED that the appointment of the persons listed in paragraph 3.6 of the report be approved to the Panel of Independent Persons required by the Localism Act 2011, from the date of the meeting of Council, 1 July 2026, to 30 September 2029

Mayor