

Birmingham City Council

Report to City Council

16 September 2025



Title:	MOTIONS FOR DEBATE FROM INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS
Lead Member:	Not applicable
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee:	Not applicable
Has this report been shared with the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chair?	Not applicable
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Is this a Key Decision?	No
Reason(s) why not included on the Forward Plan and confirm who has authorised it to be considered:	Not applicable
Is this a Late Report?	No
Reason(s) why Late and confirm who has authorised it to be considered:	Not applicable
Is this decision eligible for 'call in?'	Not applicable
If 'call-in' has been dis-applied, please provide reason(s) and confirm who has authorised:	Not applicable
Wards:	Not applicable

Does this report contain exempt or confidential information?

No

1 COMMISSIONERS' REVIEW

- 1.1 Commissioners do not provide comments in relation to the City Council Motions reports.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

That City Council:

- 2.1 Considers the following Motions of which notice has been given in accordance with Council Procedure Rules (section B4.4 G of the Constitution).

3 NOTICES OF MOTION

A. Councillors Colin Green and Izzy Knowles have given notice of the following Notice of Motion:-

Council notes that in February 2022, the Department for Transport (DfT) enabled Local Authorities to apply for Moving Traffic Enforcement (MTE) powers.

Ten months later in December 2022, a report was approved by Cabinet outlining the recommended approach for Birmingham in applying for these powers. A pilot was outlined, and a recommendation of penalty charge notices of £70 for contraventions at the six locations was agreed. West Midlands Police would still be able to enforce such offences, and enforcement would be complementary to existing Police enforcement activities.

Para 4.2 of this Cabinet Report stated:

"It is recommended that the City Council applies for MTE powers now, in Tranche 2 to meet the deadline of 13th January 2023, recognising that poor compliance with Traffic Regulation Orders in some parts of the city's highway network is causing significant deterioration in user safety. Application to take on these powers now would provide the City Council with an effective tool to tackle these areas of concern at the earliest possible opportunity."

The trial was strongly endorsed by the members of public, which was confirmed by the Be Heard public consultation, with 82% percent of the public agreeing or strongly agreeing that the trial should go ahead.

Council also notes that in an answer to a written question by Cllr Jon Hunt (J1) in November 2023 the following statement was made regarding the MTE camera trial, reducing the trial to 4 locations with a delayed implementation:

"...It is proposed to submit the Full Business Case by the end of December 2023. Subject to approval the contractor will be appointed by February 2024.

The first two sites will then be installed in March 2024, the remaining two locations would then be implemented over the following months depending on the success of the first two. The trial is expected to last for 12 months from the go-live for each scheme."

Numerous Councils are now introducing Moving Traffic Enforcements cameras, including Solihull, North Somerset, Harrow, Derby, and others.

Council further notes that a Road Safety Emergency was declared on 1st August 2024 "to specifically tackle dangerous, careless and inconsiderate driving."

Council agrees with Cabinet that MTE cameras have the potential to play a significant role in addressing dangerous, careless and inconsiderate driving and therefore:

- 1) expresses its strong concern about the failure to implement the MTE camera trial, despite the declaration of a Road Safety Emergency, and
- 2) requests that the trials are completed as soon as is practical, to enable MTE cameras to be rolled out across the City to other suitable locations as quickly as possible.

B. Councillors John Cotton and Sharon Thompson have given notice of the following Notice of Motion:-

This Council notes that:

As Birmingham prepares to host the Regional Investment Summit – West Midlands 2025, the Labour Government's determination to place regional growth at the heart of the national agenda offers a unique opportunity to showcase this city as a powerhouse for investment and opportunity.

Birmingham has attracted record levels of investment since 2012 and over the last two years (2023-24) has been the UK's top city for FDI outside of London.

As the country's second largest city economy, Birmingham is a place buzzing with entrepreneurship, and creativity.

The recently signed West Midlands Growth Plan aims to create 100,000 good jobs in fast-growing industries, getting tens of thousands of

residents into work, improving public transport, and building 120,000 homes.

And a growing list of major regeneration projects across the city will significantly benefit the lives and life chances of Birmingham citizens for many years to come.

These include:

- Birmingham City Football Club's £3bn Sports Quarter regeneration project, which will create 8,400 new jobs annually in Birmingham, generating £370 million in growth each year.
- Birmingham Knowledge Quarter - a world-class, city-centre innovation cluster focused on science, technology, and enterprise that will deliver an estimated 20,000 jobs and a 4,000 home 'eco-town'.
- and Birmingham Health Innovation Campus - a £210 million project providing state-of-the-art lab, office, and innovation space, and up to 10,000 new jobs.
- Our creative quarter in Digbeth is flourishing, the East Birmingham North Solihull growth area will transform lives, while major projects like Ladywood, Druids Heath and Sutton Langley will create homes, jobs, and opportunities for our young and growing population.

The Council resolves to:

- Maximise the significant opportunities presented by the summit, utilising this national platform to promote investment in Birmingham and the wider region, shining a spotlight on our talent, innovation and potential.
- Continue working with Government, West Midlands Mayor Richard Parker, businesses, investors, trades unions, and our education sector to deliver more growth and jobs, while ensuring that the people of

Birmingham have the necessary skills to take advantage of the opportunities being created.

- Ensure that the impact of investment and development spreads beyond the city centre, creating inclusive economic growth, increased productivity and employment opportunities for the whole city.
- Continue working with a broad range of partners to maximise the growth and employment potential for our citizens in growth sectors, including the creative and cultural economy.
- Build on our strengths of entrepreneurship, diversity and a thriving arts and cultural scene to make the city a more prosperous city of choice for people and businesses, where more wealth is retained in local communities.
- Ensure that our schools, colleges, and universities work in partnership with businesses and communities, to help our young people realise their academic and personal potential, empowering the next generation to drive the city forward.

IMPACT AND IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Best Value

3.1 There are none arising from this report.

Legal

3.2 There are none arising from this report.

Equalities

3.3 There are none arising from this report.

Procurement

3.4 There are none arising from this report.

People Services

3.5 There are none arising from this report.

Climate Change, Nature and Net Zero

3.6 There are none arising from this report.

Corporate Parenting

3.7 There are none arising from this report.

Other

3.8 There are none arising from this report.

4 APPENDICES

4.1 None.

5 BACKGROUND PAPERS

5.1 None.