

CITY COUNCIL

14 SEPTEMBER, 2021

**AMENDMENTS TO
MOTIONS IN THE
COUNCIL AGENDA
RECEIVED IN ADVANCE
OF THE MEETING**

AMENDMENT TO MOTION 11a

1 to 11A

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After 4th paragraph add:

This Council notes that the Executive is closing the Birmingham Wheels site which is a current outlet for young people to drive at speed in safe conditions. Council believes that this runs the risk of encouraging more unsafe driving on city streets.

This Council also believes that those best placed to understand what will work on local roads are local residents and local councillors and as such should be fully engaged in all proposals. Schools and parents should also be fully consulted on measures relating to road safety on surrounding roads.


After third bullet add two more to read:

- Ask the Executive to reconsider its decision to remove Birmingham Wheels and accept their proposals for a redesigned facility on existing site.
- Commit to active, timely and full engagement with local residents, schools, parents and local councillors.

PROPOSED BY:


Councillor Timothy Huxtable

SECONDED BY:


Councillor Peter Fowler

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AMENDMENT TO MOTION

2 to 11a

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Paragraph 1: delete "in 5 "

And insert "across five"

After "This pilot scheme" insert "has"

Delete paragraphs 2 and 3 and insert: "Council notes that there is growing demand to expand the ASE programme across a wider range of locations in the city, recognising the potential benefits that more comprehensive enforcement of speeds could deliver. However, it is recognised that any expansion must deliver value for money as part of a financially sustainable approach. It is also noted that the Road Safety Strategy is due for update in 2022."

After paragraph 4 insert " The Council wishes to express its disappointment that the Government did not support the city's desire to become a default 20mph city, which would have contributed significantly towards improving the safety of our roads."

Delete bullet point 2 and insert

- "As part of the work to update the Road Safety Strategy bring forward a comprehensive road safety plan, making use of ASE and local initiatives

as appropriate to tackle areas with high collision rates and areas of community concern.”

Insert “Continue to” at the beginning of bullet point 3

PROPOSED BY:

Councillor Waseem Zaffar

SECONDED BY:

Councillor Liz Clements

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AMENDMENT TO MOTION

1 to 11b

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The following paragraph to be included in the Motion:-

“This Council further calls on the Government and the Executive to take urgent action to reduce the very high level of food waste in the UK, which scandalously sits alongside and contributes to food poverty in the UK and is environmentally unsustainable.

Noting that at least 1.6 billion tonnes of food is wasted annually, council resolves to press for initiatives that link relief of poverty and good nutrition to access to surplus food in the retail and entertainment sectors”



PROPOSED BY:

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Councillor Baber Baz



SECONDED BY:

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Councillor Zaker Choudhry

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AMENDMENT TO MOTION 11B

2 to 11B

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First Paragraph, delete all after first comma and replace with

“, approximately 7 million people have experienced food insecurity in the last 6 months, a figure that is far too high.

Delete second paragraph and replace with:

The Council recognises the vital role the furlough scheme has had on protecting, at its peak, 11.6 million jobs, keeping income into banks and food on the tables for 30% of the workforce. The Government stepped in at a time of national crisis and introduced Mortgage and credit payment holidays which at the time of June 2020 (Would need updated) meant 1.9 million mortgage holidays and over 1.8 million payment holidays on consumer credit products have been granted allowing households the breathing space to be able to manage their household finances.

After second paragraph, add new paragraph to read:

This Council notes that the changes to the eligibility criteria to free school meals resulted in 50,000 more children being eligible. However, it also created a cliff edge for some families who did not qualify. This council believes that the Government should reconsider extending free school meals to all children on Universal Credit. This would also have the benefit of being simpler and easier to administer as well as meaning that more children and schools would benefit from the Pupil Premium, one of the most important and effective government policy initiatives of the last decade.

At end of current third paragraph add

The Council notes that the National Food Strategy says *“The evidence from more than 50 cities, boroughs and counties that now have a local food strategy or partnership is that they can increase food security in the long as well as short term, support improvements in public health and wellbeing, and generate significant investment and innovation.”* Whilst the Council has committed to developing a local Food Strategy within the 2022-2030 Health and Wellbeing Strategy, the Council believe that this should have been actioned much sooner. The Council also notes that there is already clear cross-party support for such a strategy as shown by the Conservative Group calling for this action 4 years ago.

At end of third paragraph add:

The Council also notes the importance of pandemic recovery planning as a vital step to addressing poverty. It therefore regrets that a Centre for Cities Report found that Birmingham was in the bottom ten of all UK cities for post pandemic recovery. The Council therefore believes that more focus needs to be given locally to reversing this decline and urgently reviewing that policies that may be holding recovery back, including restrictions on travel into the city.

In fourth paragraph delete all after ‘no child went hungry whilst out of school’ and replace with:

The Council is proud to have provided this support, which was made possible by funds provided by HM Government.

Delete second bullet and replace with:

- Every tier of government should play its role in making this happen, for everyone’s benefit, by upholding the ‘right of everyone to be free from hunger’ as articulated in the UN’s International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) to which the UK is already a signatory

Delete third bullet and replace with:

- The Government and local authorities have a duty to ensure nobody in our communities goes hungry as articulated by the ICESCR declaration signed by the UK Government.

Delete fourth bullet and replace with:

- Free School Meal entitlement should be extended to all Universal Credit claimants to remove the cliff edge and create a simpler and fairer system. At the same time, the Government should keep UC under review to ensure it continues to meet its objectives of supporting more people into work

Add new bullet to read:

- Genuine fiscal devolution for local government should be brought about as soon as possible, to allow greater local responsibility and accountability in addressing issues such as food poverty and economic recovery

Add new paragraph to read:

This Council notes that the Executive launched a commitment to secure local funding to offer universal free school meals ahead of the 2016 local elections, given 5 and a half years have now past, Council calls on the Cabinet Member to provide an update to the Chamber on progress towards this.

Delete all after ‘Therefore the Council resolves’ and replace with:

1. Ask Government to ensure that as signatories to the ICESCR that the ‘right to be free from hunger is fully incorporated into the ‘National Food Strategy’.
2. Ask the Government to prevent any further delays to the Fairer Funding deal for local councils and to urgently progress other measures towards fiscal devolution.
3. Bring forward its own food strategy, in partnership with other local organisations as soon as possible
4. Ensure that its own Inclusive Economic Growth Strategy appropriately focuses on what can be done locally in order to increase opportunities for jobs and job progression for all Birmingham residents, in order to ensure that have enough money to live on

5. Ask the Executive to review the impact on its own existing policies on pandemic recovery, including restrictions to travel into the city centre and report to Full Council on this
6. For the Cabinet Member to provide an update to Council on progress towards the council commitment made in 2016 to fund universal free school meals from locally sourced resources

Taken together, these measures would help to alleviate some of the worst food insecurity in our city and country and ensure that the right to be free from hunger is properly incorporated into UK strategy to deliver on its existing commitment to the UN, whilst keeping an appropriate focus on what it is possible for the Council to do locally without waiting for Government direction or more money from the tax payer.”

PROPOSED BY:



Councillor Simon Morrall

SECONDED BY:



Councillor Dominic Stanford

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