

**Motion One**

<b>Title:</b>	Call to Ban HGVs from Using Standard Car Sat Navs
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<b>Proposer of motion:</b>	Councillor Stuart Swann
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**Background/supporting information:**

Communities across Derbyshire, including Castle Gresley, Coton in the Elms, Lullington, Overseal, Rosliston, and Walton on Trent in the Linton Division, are blighted by HGVs driving along routes not suitable for vehicles of their weight and size.

HGVs getting stuck, blocking streets for extended periods, and damaging both public infrastructure and private property is happening on an increasingly regular basis on our local roads with such incidents having a severely negative impact on the lives of Derbyshire residents.

Many of the lorries that cause this chaos while threatening safety on our roads are being guided by standard car sat navs, and the Department for Transport needs to take effective action to combat this issue.

Specialist sat navs for HGVs indicate bridge heights, produce narrow road warnings, and highlight routes that are unsuitable for the vehicles. The devices also enable the operator to input the truck's dimensions – height, width, weight, and load – so the sat nav only guides them along suitable roads.

It is acknowledged that HGVs have a vital role in the economy, and making specialist sat navs mandatory will support drivers in undertaking effective route planning which, along with the deployment of more effective signage, will be of great benefit to both them and, crucially, numerous communities throughout Derbyshire.

**Motion to be proposed:**

That Council supports a total ban on HGV drivers using standard car sat navs, and requests that the Leader writes to the Secretary of State for Transport calling on the Government to take urgent action by using its forthcoming Transport Bill to legally require all HGVs to employ specialist sat nav devices.

Council also asks the Department for Transport to review legislation to allow Highway Authorities to deploy more effective signage to deter HGVs from using unsuitable roads.

The support of all MPs in the County is sought in tackling the blight caused by HGVs to numerous local communities as well as the impact this issue has on the safety, health, and general wellbeing of residents.

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## Motion Two

**Title:** A motion declaring a cost of living crisis in Derbyshire

**Proposer of motion:** Councillor Ruth George

### Background/supporting information:

Households in Derbyshire are facing unprecedented pressures on their budgets.

1 On August 26th 2022, Ofgem increased the energy price cap by 80% meaning a typical household energy bill will hit £3,549 a year from 1st October 2022.

2 According to the Office for National Statistics (ONS), Consumer Prices Index inflation (CPI) hit 10.1% last month, with the increase being largely down to food prices and essentials including toilet rolls and toothbrushes. It is the biggest jump in the cost of living since 1982. Food and non-alcoholic beverages prices rose by 12.7%.

3 And fuel prices are still 27% higher than this time last year.

4 In March 2022, the cost of rail travel in England and Wales increased by up to 3.8 per cent - the biggest price hike in nine years.

5 Average rents on new leases are up almost 10 per cent compared to a year ago, according to estate agent Hamptons International, and a growing number of renters are unable to keep up with payments and facing eviction. Tenant groups warn the market is overheating and that renters face homelessness as a result.

6 From April 2021, the government froze the amount of local housing allowance (LHA), meaning the amount that tenants receive can be capped well below their actual rent.

7 On 6th April 2022, the Conservative government increased National Insurance by 1.25%, which is projected to cost an average working family another £600 per year.

8 The triple lock for pensions for 2022-3 has been removed meaning pensioners will get only a 3.1% rise, instead of 8.3% under the trickle lock formula.

9 In September 2021, the government cut the Universal Credit standard allowance and the tax credit supplement to some of the poorest households who lost £20 per week, over £1,000 a year.

10 The East Midlands is one of the areas with the highest levels of low pay with 18.8 per cent of workers in the third sector on less than a living wage.

11 Whilst the average household income for Derbyshire, according to the ONS, is around £40,000 a year, many areas are less than £30,000 and the

lowest is £26,000. These are the people who will be most impacted by the cost-of-living crisis.

12 In Derbyshire, the Community Health Services Trust is giving their staff fast-track hardship grants of up to £500 to help them cope with the deepening cost of living crisis.

13 According to the Derbyshire County Council website, there are 23 Food banks in Derbyshire.

**Motion to be proposed:**

This motion calls upon the Cabinet of Derbyshire County Council to:

1. declare a cost-of-living crisis in Derbyshire
2. lead the way in acting with partner organisations, including the voluntary sector, to develop an anti-poverty strategy
3. revise its Corporate Plan to reflect this situation and reallocate the use of reserves to match this commitment
4. lobby the government to urgently put in place measures to help households throughout the oncoming Winter crisis
5. make extra funding available, as it did during the pandemic, via the Community Leadership scheme to specifically help groups who are taking initiatives to help communities with the cost-of-living crisis
6. ensure residents have the information and support they need to access all the assistance available to them via a “Quids In” type campaign

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