

Redditch Borough Council 21st September 2026
Motions on Notice

1. Maggs Day Centre

The following Motion on Notice has been submitted by Councillor Monica Stringfellow and seconded by Councillor Jane Spilsbury.

“This Council notes the exceptional work performed by the Maggs Day Centre charity across Worcestershire in supporting people facing homelessness, housing insecurity, drug addiction and social exclusion.

Maggs Day Centre in Redditch provides housing advice, and harm addiction support, supporting more than 100 people during its first six months of operation, showing the great need there is in Redditch for such a service. The numbers of homeless people in Redditch are difficult to assess as we are aware of those who are not currently sleeping rough, but who are moving from place to place “sofa surfing”.

The limited opening hours currently offered by Maggs means that there is nowhere for people seeking help to access this support and means that most of the time there is nowhere for these vulnerable people to go for help, perhaps at a time when they most need support. Getting the support and care they need in a timely manner, leads to a reduction in financial burden on the NHS, the emergency services and the Council. █

We request that the Portfolio Holder for Housing works in partnership with the Council, the NHS and other organisations such as Cranstoun to explore the possibility of increasing funding to Maggs to enable them to extend their current provision to 5 days a week aligning with the both the government target of ending homelessness and addressing the issue of anti-social behaviour in Redditch Town Centre, in particular Church Green, to support both those who require these services and the wider population in feeling safe within our town.

Concerns regarding rough sleeping and associated anti-social behaviour in parts of the town centre can affect public confidence, footfall and the perception of Redditch as a safe and welcoming town centre.”

2. Face Coverings

The following Motion on Notice has been submitted by Councillor Nic Pioli and seconded by Councillor Roger Bennett.

“Council is asked to resolve

That Executive Committee be requested to instruct officers to engage with the police and re-visit the levels of reported incidents of anti-social behaviour in Redditch town centre where face coverings such as face masks or balaclavas were involved.

That a report summarising the outcome of that engagement with the police be presented to the Executive Committee of the Council within three months to enable consideration to be given as to whether it would be appropriate to extend the measures contained in the PSPO for Redditch to include a restriction on the wearing of face coverings.”