

**COUNCIL
29 JANUARY 2026**

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TITLE OF REPORT: NOTICE OF MOTIONS

The following amendment to a motion has been submitted:

HertsLynx Expansion

Amendment to be moved by Councillor Jon Clayden and seconded by Councillor Tim Johnson.

The HertsLynx was first launched in North and East Herts in September 2021 by the previous Conservative Administration at Hertfordshire County Council in conjunction with North Herts Council, offering residents the opportunity to access more flexible and reliable journeys by bus, as well as enhancing connections and making it easier for people who live in rural communities to access employment, education and healthcare located within key hub towns including Hitchin, Letchworth and Stevenage.

However, despite the service going from strength to strength in recent years with over 5,000 passenger journeys being taken every month and the service having been expanded to Dacorum in December 2023, the rural communities within the Southern Rural area have not yet been able to experience the benefits of this service due to the operating zone not having been expanded to cover them.

It notes that the Liberal Democrat led Hertfordshire County Council has recently successfully obtained funding from the Labour government to support work towards introducing franchised bus services in North Herts, East Herts and Stevenage which could in future result in funding to expand the HertsLynx service to the remainder of the district.

Therefore, Council resolves:

1. To instruct the Leader of the Council to write to the Executive Member for Environment, Transport and Growth at Hertfordshire County Council, urging them, once funding is available, to expand the HertsLynx service to the communities within the Southern Rural area who don't currently enjoy the benefits of this innovative service, as well as to welcome the planned enhancements to the service currently experienced by those living elsewhere in North Herts.
2. To instruct Officers to work with Hertfordshire County Council in order to identify the best way North Hertfordshire District Council can encourage and support any proposals for the expansion and service enhancement of the HertsLynx, including investigating any potential financial support from S106 contributions that this Council could offer in order to deliver these ambitions.