

## NOTICE OF MOTION FOR FULL COUNCIL

## **UNDER PARAGRAPH 11.1 OF THE COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES**

The following Motion to be submitted to Full Council on the date indicated below:-

Within the UK we have been witnessing a crisis in food poverty over the last few years.

We have now reached a tipping point and the levels of food poverty are devastating. This is an unacceptable situation for one of the richest nations in the world, and highlights the inequalities to be found in the UK in 2021.

We have seen significant increases in the need to access food parcels and support over the last year as the consequences of the pandemic continue to be felt by many within the community.

The National Food Strategy is the first independent review of the country's entire food system for over 75 years. Its purpose to set out what kind of food system we should be building for the future. Food poverty should be central to this strategy, and enshrining the right to food into law would clarify Government's obligations on food poverty and enable government bodies to be held to account on this vital issue.

## This Council resolves to:

- call on the 'right to food' to be incorporated into the National Food Strategy and asks that the Chief Executive writes to Henry Dimbleby, the Independent Lead on the Strategy, with such a request; and
- 2. note and give thanks for the superb efforts by many within our community on their work to fight food poverty, from those making donations to foodbanks, volunteers, businesses large and small, individuals and groups all working across Rossendale to support one another.

Date of Council Meeting:-	7 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	
Notice submitted from		
Councillor Samara Barnes	Date: 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	
Councillor Sean Serridge	Date: 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	
Notice received and validated by S151 Officer: Karen Spencer		
Comments:	Date: 24th June 2021	
There are no financial implications to the Council.		
Notice received and validated by the Monitoring Officer: Clare Birtwistle		
Comments:	Date: 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	
No legal comments.		

Notice received on behalf of the Head of the Paid Service and entered in the book open to Public		
Inspection		
Received by: Neil Shaw	Date: 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	