

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:-

This council notes that;

16 and 17 year olds who can: consent to medical treatment, work full-time, pay taxes, get married or enter a civil partnership and join the armed forces should also have the right to vote.

In recent years, the debate on Votes@16 has become more and more prominent and campaigns have popped up across the county, often lead by young people.

We all know there is a disconnect with young people and the political establishment. This move, coupled with a reform of education around voting and its implications will help this continuing problem and refusing to allow 16 and 17 year old to vote is only likely to further depress turnout and encourage young people to give up on formal political structures.

It is clear from the work our young people do on a daily basis that they are interested in politics and have valid views and contributions on issues that affect them.

This council resolves to support moves to lower the voting age for all public elections to 16 and that the leader of the Council and Lead for Children & Young People write to the MPs & the Deputy Prime Minister – Nick Clegg MP to show this Council's commitment to pushing for votes for 16 and 17 year olds and requesting that the government seriously considers decreasing the voting age.

Date of Council Meeting:-

16th July 2014

The Notice of Motion to be submitted by at least two members and be received at least eleven clear working days before the date of the meeting.

Notice received from: Councillor Steve Hughes

Date: 30th June 2014

Notice received from: Councillor Sean Serridge

Date: 1st July 2014

Notice received and validated by the S151 Officer: Phil Seddon

Comments: There are no material financial implications arising from the motion.

Date: 1st July 2014

Notice received and validated by the Monitoring Officer: Stuart Sugarman

Comments: No additional comments.

Date: 1st July 2014

Notice received on behalf of the Head of the Paid Service and entered in the book open to Public Inspection

Received by: Helen Lockwood

Date: 30th June 2014