

**MOTIONS FOR DEBATE FROM INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS**

To consider the following Motions of which notice has been given in accordance with Standing Order 4(A)

**A Councillors James McKay and Waseem Zaffar have given notice of the following motion:-**

“Council notes that:

Birmingham has benefitted economically and socially from the arrival of new communities. Whatever national government’s position around asylum and immigration, it will always be in Birmingham’s interest to integrate newcomers.

Individuals, community organisations, schools and other stakeholders have worked together to promote Birmingham’s designation as a ‘City of Sanctuary’, a national grassroots movement to establish a commitment to make our city one which meets its obligations to those fleeing violence and persecution in their country of origin. The proposal to explore ‘City of Sanctuary’ status for Birmingham was endorsed by full Council in 2013.

Council recognises that, in supporting the campaign to establish Birmingham as a ‘City of Sanctuary’, we will:

- Support local groups and people in helping new communities to integrate into local and civic society, thereby strengthening further the city’s social inclusion and cohesion;
- recognise the positive contribution migrants make the social, cultural, economic and community life of the city;
- do what we can to ensure that those seeking sanctuary in the UK are treated properly in Birmingham, recognising that they are often among the most disadvantaged members of our community.

Council therefore resolves to:

Endorse efforts to achieve ‘City of Sanctuary’ status for Birmingham through recognition by the movement’s national body.”

**B Councillors Deirdre Alden and Andrew Hardie have given notice of the following motion:-**

“This Council welcomes the move to a 7 day a week GP service provided by the NHS. This Government’s plans will improve access to a doctor and so help tackle health inequalities across Birmingham.”