

**CITY COUNCIL**

**7 NOVEMBER 2021**

**AMENDMENTS TO  
MOTIONS IN THE  
COUNCIL AGENDA  
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OF THE MEETING**

# AMENDMENT TO MOTION 10

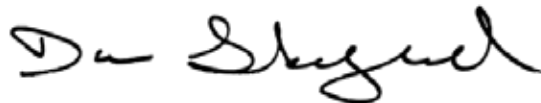
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## **CITY COUNCIL** **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

Insert after that the report be noted;

“That the report be noted and that the Council expresses its concern at the closure and/or the disposal of Balsall Heath, Digbeth, Harborne, Handsworth, Kingstanding, Nechells, Quinton, Shard End, Steelhouse Lane, Sparkhill and Sutton Coldfield and calls for the Panel representatives to carry out an immediate review of the decision by the Labour Police and Crime Commissioner to do this which would include assessing the potential of multi-agency hubs. The Council also welcomes the recruitment of an extra 867 officers in the West Midlands as part of the Government’s commitment to hire 20,000 officers.”

PROPOSED BY:



**Councillor Dominic Stanford**

SECONDED BY:



**Councillor Peter Fowler**

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# AMENDMENT TO MOTION 11

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## **CITY COUNCIL** **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

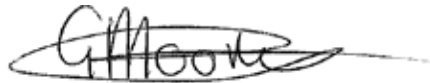
Insert at the end of the motion:

This Council calls on Birmingham City Council to actively enforce all existing covenants on properties preventing the conversion of single dwelling family use to other uses.

Call on the Council's legal team to draft a statutory instrument (referenced on page 26 of report) to present to Government.

The Council also calls on the Executive to bring forward a report to Cabinet looking at placing a covenant on all council properties, including right to buy sales, which would prevent single dwelling family homes from being converted to other uses.

PROPOSED BY:



**Councillor Gareth Moore**

SECONDED BY:



**Councillor Robert Alden**

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**CITY COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2021**

The following to be included in the Motion:-

**‘Council welcomes the success** of Small Business Saturday that was held on December 4th 2021 and thanks all local people and businesses that took part. Council recognises that it is important to continue supporting and promoting small and micro-businesses in the city and encourage people to shop local all year round.

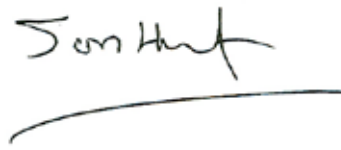
**Council further recognises** more customers are choosing where they shop based on company ethics and thinks it’s reasonable to expect companies to pay their fair share of taxation.

**Council resolves** to support the ‘Fair Tax Declaration’ which promotes local businesses that have a fair tax accreditation.

**Council calls on the executive:**

1. to promote Fair Tax Mark certification to local business, our contractors and in any business in which the Council has a significant stake and where Corporation Tax is due;
2. to develop a year round communications plan to continue promoting local small businesses and encouraging residents to shop small and shop local all year round.

**Council further requests the Economy and Skills Scrutiny Committee** to undertake an investigation into the council’s approach to small businesses and small business cooperatives, recognising that the cost base and access to appropriate premises are crucial, with specific reference to the role of property management, highways and regeneration policies and impact of highways work.



PROPOSED BY:

Councillor Jon Hunt



SECONDED BY:

Councillor Roger Harmer

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# AMENDMENT TO MOTION 12a

2 to 12A

## CITY COUNCIL

7<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Paragraph 1: delete “low growth, high tax and high price economy.” And replace with “once in a 100-year pandemic.”. Delete “rising taxes and Universal Credit cuts.”

Add the following after the last bullet point:

- Council Tax is up.
- Parking Charges are up
- New Private Vehicle Charges have been introduced by the Council
- Council House Rent is Up

Delete paragraphs 3,4 and 5.

Replace paragraph 8 with “The Government’s National Living Wage, which is £8.91 per hour for those aged 23 and older, is £8.36 per hour for those aged 21 and 22, £6.56 per hour for those aged 18 to 20 and £4.62 per hour for under 18s which is higher than any year under the last Labour Government and that the gap in pay for age groups was established under the last Labour Government.

This Council restates its commitment to raising prosperity for all and recognises that the best way to do this, is for businesses to grow. This creates more jobs and higher wages and bolsters our local economy.

Replace paragraph 9 with “Birmingham and its business leaders are attracting record levels of investment into the city, with jobs being created in construction, finance, media and the arts, leisure, retail and many more sectors. The City Council should be doing more, better and quicker to spread investment around the whole city not just the city centre and Commonwealth Games locations.”

After Paragraph 9 insert “The Council is concerned that the Executive did not call upon the Government to enact the proposed measures as part of its submission to the Spending Review 2021 when it had the chance to influence policy and is instead only calling for this afterwards. This gives the Council the impression the Executive cares more about winning votes than helping residents.”

Replace “**Therefore, the Council resolves to** call upon the Government to:” with “This Council therefore calls on the Executive to use the powers it has to:” and remove the four points afterwards and replace with

- Give a Council Tax rebate of £100 per household for the next year, after Council Tax has increased by 30% since 2012 and placed many Birmingham residents under intense pressure for the last 9 years, so that Birmingham residents have more money during the winter months.
- Scraps charges for green waste and bulky waste collections.
- Makes car parking free in local centres to support residents.

PROPOSED BY:

Robert Alden.

**Councillor Robert Alden**

SECONDED BY:

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**Councillor Ewan Mackey**

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# AMENDMENT TO MOTION

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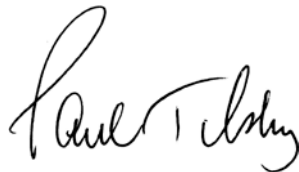
## **CITY COUNCIL** **TUESDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2021**

The following paragraph to be included in the Motion:-

‘This Council recognises the disparity of educational attainment identified in the motion and calls upon HM Government to ensure that it makes funds available from its £4.8bn "Levelling up Fund" to address this long term problem of educational inequality.

It further recognises the city's long-standing reputation for manufacturing skills to attract funding to become the centre of green manufacturing initiatives in the UK.’

PROPOSED BY:



**Councillor Paul Tilsley**

SECONDED BY:



**Councillor Zaker Choudhury**

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# AMENDMENT TO MOTION

2 to 12b

## CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY 7 DECEMBER 2021

### Paragraph 1

#### Bullet point 6

Delete the bullet point and replace with:

The Council introduced the Apprenticeship Pledge in 2020 and now has a strategic approach towards apprenticeships which has enabled it to work continuously to look to increase the number of apprenticeships starts each month by engaging with directorates to embed the principles of the Pledge.

The Council is actively identifying and encouraging staff to undertake an apprenticeship to upskill themselves so that the Council can continue to deliver high quality services to the residents of Birmingham.

There has been a 72% national slump in apprenticeship starts caused by the pandemic, which combined with the overly tight government timescales for use of the Levy has meant that money was returned to the Treasury.

GBSLEP has worked with the Council on administering £650,000 of BCC's apprenticeship levy contribution fund to mainly small and medium enterprises (SMEs) across the region to target apprenticeship provision in priority sectors and skills levels.

The Council undertook research through the report *Breaking Down Barriers*. This investigated the impact that the pandemic made on employment, interviewing 2,000 young people from Birmingham, a range of partners in education and businesses to develop an urgent 10-point action plan to prevent a new 'crisis cohort' facing long-term damage to their careers and lives.

### Paragraph 2

#### Bullet point 1

Delete the bullet point and replace with:

Work with partners across the city and region to implement the recommendations in its report *Breaking Down Barriers*. This report investigated the impact of the covid pandemic on young people in the city and made ten key recommendations which would help to close the skills gap and boost employment for young people

#### Bullet point 2

Delete "Work at a greater level with" and insert "Continue to work with"

Delete full stop after "workforce" and replace with ", building on the record levels of investment into Birmingham that this Council is attracting."

Bullet point 3

Delete bullet point and replace with:

Build on the Council's recent Levelling Up strategy to encourage the investment needed from the Government and private sectors, continuing to maximise funding pots, so that Birmingham becomes a Green Manufacturing hub of the United Kingdom.

Bullet point 4

Delete: "Review the spending of the Apprenticeship Levy to ensure as many Council Staff are upskilled via apprentice training to be able to deliver a higher quality service to Birmingham Residents. We also ask the Council to"

Delete: full stop after "money." And insert: "whilst commending the Council for its work with GBSLEP to promote the offer and encourage organisations to apply for funding."

PROPOSED BY:



**Councillor Brigid Jones**

SECONDED BY:



**Councillor Jayne Francis**

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