

NOTICE OF MOTION**HOUSING BENEFIT**

This council resolves to:

- (1) Request the Policy & Resources Committee to take into account the need to reduce the burden on the poorest households in the city by making the council tax reduction scheme more generous and/or increasing funds available for discretionary support as part of this year's budget process, thereby easing pressure on low-income households facing high housing costs; and
- (2) Ask the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Communities;
 - Expressing the council's concern about local people being priced out of private sector housing at a time where there is insufficient social housing available; and
 - Demanding that Housing Benefit levels are increased to an appropriate level.

