COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

The Mayor has agreed that the motion set out below should be added to the agenda for the Council meeting, subject to Council resolving under Council Rule of Procedure No. 20 to suspend the requirements relating to notice and signature contained in the Rule of Procedure No. 9 in respect of Motions on Notice.

Council Members are asked to consider the undermentioned Motion:-

(i) Notice of Motion – Supporting Members

This Council recognises that:-

- being a local government councillor is not supposed to be a full-time job
- many elected members manage to hold down full-time jobs
- that those members in employment have obligations to their work colleagues as well as to council and particularly so during a recession
- those who have careers bring skills and expertise to their duties as councillors
- the percentage of councillors under 45 years of age has fallen from 18 percent in 1997 to 13 percent today

And, resolves to:

Make it easier for working people to become and remain local government councillors by instructing the Chief Executive to ensure that from the commencement of the next municipal year council and committee meetings and other events requiring attendance are not routinely scheduled during the normal working day.

Councillor L. Martin Councillor R. Oliver Councillor I.M. Cuthbert Councillor A. Wright Councillor P. Maddison Councillor P. Wood