

COUNCIL – 13 FEBRUARY 2019

NOTICES OF MOTION

Executive Summary

Several Notices of Motion have been received from Councillor Ali for consideration at Council. Those that can be considered under Part I of the agenda are set out below. Those elements that are considered to contain, or relate to, information deemed exempt are set out in a supplementary report to be considered under Part II of the agenda.

Councillor Ali will be asked to move the motions at the meeting.

Installation of Security Cameras

“Our ambitions for the town and the plans are noble. But with huge problems on fly tipping and drugs we will never be able to have the town we aspire for. We know due to unnecessary cuts the police are overstretched. Residents contact the police but they are not able to help them. I have residents coming with evidence of shady affairs in their streets but we are helpless.

So I propose that as part of the monies allocated for developments we install security cameras later on to be managed and maintained by residents. We consider cameras especially in areas:

- a. Grove
- b. Walton road alleys
- c. Princess road shops
- d. Few spots in sheerwater
- e. Other such ‘popular’ spots”

Rents and Building Insurance for Local Businesses

“Increased rents for local business – despite our promises and pledges and claims of supporting local business we have seen many shut and now we have seen their rents and insurances gone up. As an example I have been informed by some council tenants that:

- a. The building insurance has been forced upon them which normally a landlord pays. But WBC has put it on them with no option to shop around and the cost is as much as approximately £800 / year
- b. The rent in some cases was increased by approximately 31% when the lease was renewed! This is exorbitant! Small business can’t afford this. For some this means they must have almost 30 extra customers / month to enable them to pay for this. How can they cope? So in line with our claims let’s review these increases and bring them in line with CPI.”

Background Papers: None.

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