

## **LABOUR AMENDMENT 4 to Budget Cabinet Minute 327**

**Proposed by Cllr. Steve Foulkes (7 minutes)**

**Seconded by Cllr. Phil Davies (3 minutes)**

**Council notes that information recently revealed in the Times under the Freedom of Information Act shows that Conservative Council Leaders have warned the Communities Secretary, Eric Pickles, that the Government's spending cuts will have "devastating" consequences on public services and complained about the unfairness of the settlement, with many Northern Authorities faring worse than Southern Authorities.**

**Council notes that this adds to the clear condemnation of the consequences of such a savage front loading of cuts made by Liberal Democrat Council Leaders and councillors in a prior letter to the Times.**

**In the light of this information, Council calls on the Wirral Conservative and Liberal Democrat Coalition to join their colleagues in this protest and lobby their own government about the unprecedented damage being caused by this savage slashing of Council resources in one year, with no time to phase in alternative ways of delivering services.**

**Council asks that this budget setting procedure be delayed until its legal limit on March 10<sup>th</sup> in order for this lobbying to take place and the full impact this budget will have on front line services to be set out clearly to government ministers in a last ditch attempt to prevent such damage being done to the people of Wirral.**