

Amendments to Notices of Motion

The Council is requested to consider the following amendments, submitted in accordance with Standing Order 12(1) and (9)

(1) Notice of Motion No.6 – DEVOLUTION TO CITY REGIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor Geoffrey Watt

Seconded by Councillor Adam Sykes

To the existing first paragraph add: 'Council notes the Prime Minister's determination to meet the commitments made by the leaders of the three main parties at Westminster through the 'Better Together' campaign'.

To the existing second paragraph add: 'on the basis of fairness'.

From the existing third paragraph delete: 'the Liverpool City Region' and replace with 'neighbouring authorities'.

From the existing fourth paragraph delete: 'City Regions and'.

Delete the entire fifth paragraph and replace with: 'Council welcomes the enthusiasm expressed by the Rt. Hon. George Osborne MP, Conservative Chancellor of the Exchequer, for a Northern Powerhouse and looks forward to Wirral playing a full part in such an initiative'.

From the sixth paragraph delete: 'the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority' and replace with 'neighbouring authorities'.

(2) Notice of Motion No.6 – DEVOLUTION TO CITY REGIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Amendment

Proposed by Councillor Phil Gilchrist

Seconded by Councillor Dave Mitchell

Add:

Council recognises that both the LGA (in its document 'Investing in our Nation's future') and the 'Core Cities' group look forward to devolution of funding associated with the work programme, with the commissioning of investment in apprenticeships, training and other funds being brought together in 'Place based settlements'.

Council notes that these steps would remove the responsibility of running this funding from the Civil Service and take control of that funding from central Government.

In achieving democratic control over and accountability for these potential funding streams:

- a. the open nature of the Combined Authority and its decision making must be assured;
- b. the ability of councillors and constituents to develop policy and properly influence the direction of spending should be enshrined;
- c. any funding, duties and responsibilities should be democratically accountable and not fall into the hands of an elected Mayor.