

Motion 2 - CHILDREN IN CARE

Proposed by Councillor Ian Lewis

Seconded by Councillor Wendy Clements

Council notes that six in every 10 looked after children are in care due to abuse or neglect, causing a lasting impact on their mental health and emotional wellbeing.

On behalf of these children, Council demands that the care provided be of the highest quality, while ensuring every pound spent is used well and for the purpose intended.

Council believes that, while many care providers are meeting these obligations, some are not and that the inflationary increases imposed by some providers has not been met with a commensurate increase in quality.

To resolve this, Council requests Cabinet to consider the creation of some Authority-led provision, working with respected non-profit organisations, to ensure Wirral children receive quality care at a reasonable cost and to report back to all members on progress.