

North Tyneside Council Report to Council 23 November 2017

ITEM 5 Motions

Notice has been received of the following motions from Members of the Council to be put to the Council meeting.

Motion 1 signed by Councillors Andy Newman, Anthony McMullen, Bruce Pickard.

North Tyneside Council has faced unprecedented cuts over the last 7 years. The Government has indicated that the reduction in grants will continue until 2019/20. Increased demand for services while at the same time having huge reductions in our grants from the conservative government means more cuts to vital public services when people need them more than ever.

While North Tyneside council will have to find over £18m in savings as part of a funding gap of £41m over the next two years. An extra 1bn will be given to Northern Ireland as part of the conservative's supply on demand arrangement with the DUP. This is deeply unfair on our residents who have seen vital services threatened by government budget cuts. The Council therefore calls upon the Mayor to write to the Chancellor asking him to cancel all planned cuts to this Council

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising directly from the motion to write to the Chancellor asking him to cancel all planned cuts to this Council.

Legal Implications

There are no direct legal implications arising for the Authority from this motion.

Motion 2 signed by Councillors Margaret Hall, Muriel Green, Sarah Day

North Tyneside Council calls upon the clinical commissioning group to go ahead with the planned opening of the 24/7 urgent care centre at Rake Lane hospital as agreed in June this year and promised for the 1st October 2017

An in-depth review earlier this year established the demand and need for an urgent care centre. Public consultation agreed that the best urgent care service would be a 24/7 provision at Rake Lane hospital.

Residents of North Tyneside want the same quality of provision as those in Northumberland where two local hospitals have 24/7 urgent care centres. Newcastle also has a 24/7 provision of urgent care

A recent statement by the CCG suggesting a shortened day, opening hours of 08.00 until 22.00 and use of NHS 111 and GP's from 22.00 until 08.00 is unacceptable.

In addition, the very poor attendance at the hastily arranged same day public engagement meetings in the Linskill Centre and at Langdale last week, demonstrates that there has not been a full and proper consultation on their new proposals.

Council requests the Mayor

To write to the CCG and the Minister of Health to retain our 24/7 urgent care centre at Rake Lane hospital and request a full consultation be undertaken throughout the Borough on these controversial proposals.

To campaign locally for the retention of our 24/7 urgent care centre at Rake Lane

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising directly from the motion to write to the CCG and the Minister of Health asking to retain the 24/7 urgent care centre at Rake Lane hospital.

Legal Implications

There are no direct legal implications arising for the Authority from this motion.