

<b>COUNCIL</b>	AGENDA ITEM No. 12
<b>23 JULY 2014</b>	PUBLIC REPORT

### **MOTIONS ON NOTICE**

The following notices of motion have been received in accordance with the Council's Standing Order 13.1:

#### **1. Motion from Councillor Julia Davidson**

That this Council:

1. Endorses the election of Councillor David Over as Mayor for this municipal year, believing that he is a popular and long serving councillor and hence very deserving of this appointment.

However, the council is in no overall control, and therefore it is no longer tenable for the nomination of Mayor to be solely in the hands of the Conservative Group;

2. Therefore requests the various groups on the Council to get together, through the Constitutional Review Group; and find a formula to enable opposition Councillors to take the post of mayor in some Future years.

This could be through the post going to the most long serving councillor or some other mechanism based on the proportion of seats which each party holds on the council. What we must do is to avoid the Post of Mayor becoming a political football or something in the sole gift of the council leader; and

3. Requests that a report be submitted to a Full Council Meeting no later than December 2014, Outlining proposals for change to a New System for electing our city mayor.

#### **2. Motion from Councillor Darren Fower**

That this Council notes that:

1. Peterborough City Council recently received millions of pounds, partly funded from the EU, to improve roads and safety in our city;
2. In the last decade there have been further grants of millions of pounds for various schemes, received directly as a result of our country's membership of the EU to help improve city standards;
3. Nearly 10,000 jobs in this city are reliant upon our connection and trade with Europe;
4. We are a city that has, always, included a variety of communities consisting of immigrants from various countries, such as Polish, Ukrainian, Italian etc.;

5. We are twinned with the following European cities, Viersen, Forli and Vinnitsa; and

Therefore we believe that it is time this Council showed a more respectful and less immature stance, by re-erecting the flag of the European Union in this chamber to show and promote an image of a local authority that recognises the roles and responsibilities of the European Union, celebrates diversity and the need to secure the safety of future generations

### **3. Motion from Councillor Darren Fower**

That this Council:

1. Notes that the year is 2014, the city has a population of 186,000, it is likely over 50% are in some way online, whether that's via social media or simply surfing the net;
2. Believes therefore, that it is time we started communicating with the people of Peterborough in a way that suits them, and not solely in a way that benefits the Council; and
3. Agrees to set up working group to look at costs and ways to establish live broadcasting of Full Council meetings for people to watch at their leisure and at a time of their choosing.