

<b>COUNCIL</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM No. 12</b>
<b>4 MARCH 2015</b>	<b>PUBLIC REPORT</b>

### **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 John Fox**

- i. That this Council notes with concern that the Department for Transport has revealed that over the last year 164 accidents involving mobility scooters were recorded, of which:
  - five drivers were killed and a further 17 suffered serious injuries;
  - another 102 people suffered slight injuries, official figures have revealed; and
  - nine more people who were not the driver were seriously injured.
- ii. That the Leader be requested to write to the City's MPs asking them to contact Richard Goodwill, the Transport Minister, to express concern at the danger posed by the growing number of mobility scooters and to support the call by Alison Seabeck, MP for Plymouth Moor View, for the introduction of compulsory training; and
- iii. That the Cabinet look into the feasibility of working with disability groups within the City to implement mobility scooter training in Peterborough on a voluntary basis until it becomes law.

#### **2. Motion from Councillor Richard Ferris**

That in the interests of transparent and open decision-making, and in order to restore public confidence, this Council agrees to set up a Task & Finish Group to develop an ethical investment and procurement policy, and report back before the end of October 2015.

#### **3. Motion from Councillor Mohammed Nadeem**

1. That this Council notes:
  - (a) That the National Database and Registration Authority of Pakistan (NADRA) is offering those of the Pakistani community living abroad ID Cards, which offer valuable benefits and incentives to the card holder. Eligibility includes not just Pakistani citizens living abroad but also the children of those who hold Pakistani nationality or dual nationality. It is a replacement for the overseas Pakistani/Dual Nationality Passport. The ID Cards were initially launched on 10th March 2000 in Islamabad Pakistan. The ID Card lasts over a 5 or 10 year period and grants the

holder direct entry to Pakistan without the need to apply through the Visa system, which is a very long winded and expensive process, giving the cardholder peace of mind when travelling in emergency cases back to Pakistan. NADRA have overseas offices in UK, London and Birmingham Offices Cover the Peterborough Remit.

- (b) That there are currently around 1500 citizens who are waiting to renew their card or apply for a new card but the Pakistan High Commission in London & Birmingham are short staffed and obtaining an appointment from them to renew/apply for a card is almost impossible. On many occasions residents have been to London and Birmingham and returned with only stress and heartache, as they have spent all day there, often from a 04:00 in the morning start, and have been turned away being told that no appointments are available. NADRA serve 100 appointments a day Mon - Fri and priority is given to Birmingham Citizens. However, Nadra did used to hold (Mobile Registration Team (MRT) surgeries in Peterborough, where their team would process about 250 applications on a full surgery, which was was very helpful and benefited all residents especially the elderly and children. NADRA have suddenly stopped holding regular surgeries, which has caused many problems to the residents of Peterborough as not everyone can travel the distance to their main offices and the appointments being offered are too far ahead. Peterborough residents wishing to use this service include those who are elderly, disabled, have mental health issues or are single mothers that require priority and this is causing a huge problem and strain for those of our community that need this service.
2. That this Council recommends that the Chief Executive or the Leader to write to the Pakistan High Commission asking that it addresses the short staffing issue at NADRA and requests that monthly surgeries to deliver this service be resumed