BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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24th September 2014

NOTICE OF MOTION - ACCOMMODATION OF STAFF AT PARKSIDE

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 11 by the Independent Alliance and is proposed by Councillor S. J. Baxter:

"The recent announcement that all Bromsgrove and Redditch development management and enforcement teams are to be based in Redditch, as they will not fit into our new £3m+ offices, has highlighted a growing concern that our residents are increasingly suffering from a substandard level of service which will continue to decline as more and more staff and services are relocated away from Bromsgrove. We are concerned that what started as sharing services, will end up with Bromsgrove residents sharing the cost, but without the benefit of an equal share of service levels.

We call for the following to be put before this Council:

- The full Bromsgrove and Redditch accommodation plan post the move to Parkside, including which services will be located where;
- An impact assessment of the proposed remoteness of Council staff on the level of service that our residents would have, compared to those living in Redditch and other hosting authorities, including accessibility of staff and documents;
- An impact assessment on changes in budgets resulting from changes in hosting arrangements;
- An overview of the project plan with timelines, risk assessment and facilities management for the new site.

We also call for a halt on all further movement of staff until the above is approved by Council.