

COUNCIL

23rd September 2015

NOTICE OF MOTION – COMBINED AUTHORITIES

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 by Councillor P. M. McDonald:

“Council notes the recently launched “consultation” into associate membership of the proposed West Midlands Combined Authority.

The Labour Group feels that this consultation has a serious deficit in that it fails to recognise that Bromsgrove District is part of Worcestershire County Council and can not act in isolation of this.

Furthermore, the fact that this “consultation” makes no reference to the options for devolved powers for Worcestershire that are under active and developing consideration, renders it both biased and one-sided.

Council therefore resolves to suspend this flawed “consultation” process and urges the Chief Executive and Leader to meet as a matter of urgency with the Leader and Chief Executive of Worcestershire County Council and report back, to allow Bromsgrove Councillors and local residents to make a decision based on the full facts.

Council further resolves that full membership of any Combined Authority should be the subject of a referendum.