

NOTICE OF MOTION – DOLPHIN CENTRE REGENERATION

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 by Councillor C.J. Bloore:

“Council notes the outpouring of public concern about the removal of the sports hall from the current Dolphin Centre redevelopment.

Council notes the current and growing number of names to a local petition asking for a sports hall to be part of the redevelopment of the Dolphin Centre.

Council notes the changes in business rates proposed by the Chancellor George Osborne that could give the Council more income than first thought to build a leisure centre.

Council notes the lack of evidence presented to Councillors proving there is no need for a sports hall as part of the redeveloped Dolphin Centre.

Council believes the lack of indoor sports facilities in Bromsgrove and the shortage of available court and pitch spaces in all weather facilities across Bromsgrove will limit the ability of local people to stay fit and for clubs to train.

Council believes there is real difficulty for local residents to have access to privately run sports hall facilities in Bromsgrove.

Council believes that the intended Olympic legacy of the London 2012 games was to promote sports participation and healthy living through the maintaining and improvement of sporting facilities in local communities.

Council believes that Bromsgrove’s residents deserve a regenerated leisure centre that meets the needs of its residents. A leisure centre that includes an onsite sports hall open to the public.

Council resolves to suspend all activities to build a leisure centre that does not contain an onsite sports hall.

Council resolves urgently to revisit and review the financial plan to redevelop the leisure centre to include the building of an onsite sports hall as soon as possible.