

NOTICE OF MOTION

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

Council notes the high rate of deaths from rough sleeping in the county and, as the winter approaches, recognises the increasing severity of this problem.

Council is mindful that current economic uncertainty and changes to housing benefit under the universal credit scheme could have an impact on many vulnerable families, putting them at risk of being made homeless or being made to sleep rough. Council is aware of the survey that will be undertaken soon on those sleeping rough in the district.

Council resolves to:

1. Task officers to make an estimate of those at risk of becoming homeless if the price of living rises, as is forecast.
2. Take action, by whatever means, to find immediate and local shelter for any person rough sleeping.
3. Tasks Overview and Scrutiny to examine the district's strategy (and its relationship and lines of communication with its partners on this matter), in light of officers' findings, and report to Full Council, with a view to creating a robust and coherent policy and strategy that ensures nobody is homeless nor sleeps rough in the district.