

Motions Submitted to Council

In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 15) of the Council's Constitution

Motion 1

Submitted by Councillor Halden

"It is the will of council that members should defend their taxpayers. As such, council requires a specific section on every portfolio holder report to full council (delivered under the provisions of chapter 2 part 2 section 3.8 of the constitution) be dedicated to financial matters.

This financial section of the report should cover all finance and budget issues of the portfolio that the portfolio holder considers relevant, including (but not limited to): fiscal management; budget responsibility of the cabinet member; receipts and actual spend vs. predicted spend; the levels of virements; and value for money."

Monitoring Officer Comments:

Any requirement to make financial comments follow a set format must also ensure that all other relevant financial information under a report is given due consideration to assist members.

Section 151 Officer Comments:

The Council's standard report template includes a section for 'financial implications'. The suggestions for the content of that section included in the motion are helpful, but should not be considered prescriptive; depending on the context of the report, other financial factors may be relevant and should be included where appropriate.

Is the above motion within the remit of Council to approve?

Yes