ITEM 18

Motions Submitted to Council

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

Motion 4

Submitted by Councillor Halden

"While acknowledging the justifiably protected nature of information in child social care, Council expresses concern in regards to comments made at the last meeting of the corporate parenting committee, in regards to removing financial information and reports from members for their scrutiny. Council reaffirms its commitment to the principles of corporate parenting in terms of making the service budget as transparent and accountable to members as possible via appropriate reports."

Monitoring Officer Comments:

The Council supports transparent decision making whilst acknowledging its responsibility to deal with confidential personal information appropriately.

Section 151 Officer Comments:

I support the principle of members receiving relevant financial information to aid decision making but also acknowledge the need to retain confidentiality around characteristics that could identify individuals. Officers will report in a format that meets both criteria.

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

Yes