

Motions Submitted to Council

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

Motion

Submitted by Councillor Speight

This chamber calls on Thurrock Council to commission a fully independent inquiry into the management and achievements of Thurrock Council's planning department since 2015 – with its remit to produce a year-by-year performance analysis indicating the number of applications received, the number dealt with by delegation, the number progressed to committee and the number passed or rejected that have been contrary to officer recommendation. The report should produce a subjective judgement on the performance of the planning department over each of those years. In addition the remit will include a full and detailed investigation into how and why the council has not been able to formulate a new local plan over the same period of time.

Monitoring Officer Comments:

Should the motion be supported, the Council would assist in implementing any recommendations arising from inquiry.

Section 151 Officer Comments:

Should the motion be supported then the Council would be required to fund the inquiry. Any wider financial implications would be considered as part of the assessment of conclusions from the associated reporting.

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

Yes