

FC60. NOTICES OF MOTION

Air Weapons

Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Meiklejohn, moved that:-

“Council notes with disappointment the UKL government’s refusal to devolve control of air weapons to the Scottish Parliament or bring forward their own legislation to ban or license these weapons despite the recommendations of the Calman Commission.

Council therefore agrees to ask Council’s Legal Officers to bring forward proposals for the development of appropriate by-laws to address the nuisance and danger caused by air weapons in this area”.

By way of an Amendment, Councillor C MacDonald, seconded by Councillor C R Martin, moved:-

“This Council condemns the illegal use of fire arms or air weapons in Scotland. This Council commends the UK Government for its foresight in commissioning the report from Lord Calman to look at the current and future powers of the Scottish Parliament. This Council also commends the Conservative and Liberal Democrat Parties for their support in taking this Commission forward. This Council believes that the UK Government is correct to take the time to decide how it will implement the recommendations within the Calman Report and condemns any attempt to cherry pick the Report without consideration to it as a whole”.

Thereafter, in terms of Standing Order 19.7 and with the consent of the Provost and Councillor C R Martin, as seconder, Councillor MacDonald altered the text of his Amendment to remove the words “UK Government for its” and substitute therefore “Labour, Conservative and Liberal Democratic parties for their”.

On a division, 11 Members voted for the Motion and 15 for the Amendment, with one abstention.

Accordingly, **AGREED** the terms of the Amendment.