

FC76. NOTICES OF MOTION

(b) Affordable Housing

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

Council believes that it is time to review the Council's existing strategy on the provision of affordable housing and agrees to co-operate with the Scottish Government's housing agenda.

However, Council believes that there should be a more immediate change to the levels of affordable housing proportions within private housing development due to what could be described as avoiding responsibility.

Council therefore agrees that all housing developments of ten properties or over must have an element of affordable housing contained within it.

Council therefore agrees to instruct Officers to bring forward a paper on the mechanism to ensure that private housing providers provide a higher percentage of affordable housing than is currently being delivered across Falkirk District.

By way of an Amendment, Councillor Gow, seconded by Councillor C MacDonald moved that Falkirk Council believes that all methods of delivering affordable housing should be explored. This Council believes that the correct method of delivering affordable housing within private development sites is by adhering to the proposed policies which have been consulted upon in the Finalised Draft Falkirk Council Local Plan. This is in accordance with Government advice note (PAN 74) that all affordable housing policies must be underpinned by an Affordable Housing Needs Assessment

On a division 17 Members voted for the Amendment and 14 voted for the Motion.

Accordingly, **RESOLVED** in terms of the Amendment.