

EX99. Motion referred to the Executive under Standing Order 31- Universal Credit

On 5 December 2018, and in accordance with Standing Order 31.1, Council referred the following motion, proposed by Councillor Black to the Executive:-

Council agrees that child poverty is on the rise and that Universal credit and benefit sanctions have led to a rise in foodbank use and the increased poverty in our area.

Council also acknowledges that due to welfare reform more people are struggling to sustain their tenancies.

Council therefore agrees to ask the Chief Executive to:-

1. consider how services are delivered across the council area, with particular emphasis on sustainability of tenancies, income maximisation and inequalities, so that our anti poverty strategy can be fit for purpose at this time of increasing hardship for our citizens, and
2. report back to the Executive on the outcome of his review.

In terms of Standing Order 31.2, Councillor Black spoke in support of her motion.

Councillor Bissett, seconded by Councillor Nimmo, moved the terms of the motion.

Decision

The Executive agreed the motion.