



**CABINET**

**6<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017**

**AGENDA ITEM (7)**

**NOTICE OF MOTION - WOMEN AGAINST STATE PENSION INEQUALITIES (WASPI)**

<b>Accountable Member</b>	Councillor Mark F Annett Leader of the Council
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<b>Purpose of Report</b>	<p>To provide the Cabinet with information in respect of the Motion submitted to the Council at its Meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017 requesting that the Council urges the Government to make fair transitional state pension arrangements for all women born on or after 6th April 1951, who have unfairly borne the burden of the increase to the State Pension Age (SPA) with lack of appropriate notification.</p> <p>In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12, the Chairman of the Council determined that the Motion should stand referred to the Cabinet for consideration, with such deliberations being aided by background information on the matter.</p>
<b>Recommendation(s)</b>	<b>That the Cabinet considers the Motion and agrees a way forward.</b>
<b>Reason(s) for Recommendation(s)</b>	The Motion has been referred to the Cabinet for consideration and decision.

<b>Ward(s) Affected</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Key Decision</b>	No
<b>Recommendation to Council</b>	No

<b>Financial Implications</b>	None arising directly from this report
<b>Legal and Human Rights Implications</b>	None arising directly from this report
<b>Environmental and Sustainability Implications</b>	None arising directly from this report

<b>Human Resource Implications</b>	None arising directly from this report
<b>Key Risks</b>	None arising directly from this report
<b>Equalities Analysis</b>	The Motion seeks support for the lobbying of Government to address a perceived issue of inequality.

<b>Related Decisions</b>	Notice of Motion - Council - 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
<b>Background Documents</b>	None
<b>Appendices</b>	<p><b>Appendix 'A'</b> - Briefing Paper produced by Councillor Jenny Forde</p> <p><b>Appendix 'B'</b> - Summary of Commons Briefing Paper CBP-7405 with associated tables</p> <p>N.B. A copy of the full version of the Commons Briefing Paper is attached as a separate document for Members of the Cabinet.</p>

<b>Performance Management Follow Up</b>	Implement the Cabinet's decision(s)
<b>Options for Joint Working</b>	None

<b>Background Information</b>	
<p>1. At the Meeting of the Council held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017, the following Motion was Proposed by Councillor Jenny Forde and Seconded by Councillor T Cheung:-</p> <p><i>'The Council calls upon the Government to make fair transitional state pension arrangements for all women born on or after 6th April 1951, who have unfairly borne the burden of the increase to the State Pension Age (SPA) with lack of appropriate notification.'</i></p> <p>2. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12, the Motion, having been Proposed and Seconded, was referred to the Cabinet for consideration. Part of the rationale behind such referral was to enable background information on the matter to be provided to the Cabinet, to ensure a reasoned/informed debate/decision.</p> <p>3. In the light of such referral, the Proposer and Secunder are entitled to attend the Cabinet Meeting and present it formally to Members. The Proposer will also have an opportunity to respond to the Cabinet debate, immediately prior to final comments from the responsible Cabinet Member and the formal vote.</p> <p>4. A copy of a Briefing Paper produced by Councillor Forde on the matter is attached at <b>Appendix 'A'</b> - this provides the background to the issue raised in the Notice of Motion. A copy of the summary of the relevant Commons Briefing Paper, together with associated tables, is attached at <b>Appendix 'B'</b>. In addition, the full version of the Commons Briefing Paper is attached as a separate document for Members of the Cabinet.</p>	

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