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## **MOTION 1**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Joel Williams

SECONDED BY: Councillor Catriona Brown-Reckless

#### **AMENDMENT 1 TO MOTION 1**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Joe Carter SECONDED BY: Councillor John Shimmin

## **MOTION 2**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Jackie Jones SECONDED BY: Councillor Ed Stubbs

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PROPOSED BY: Councillor Bablin Molik SECONDED BY: Councillor Rhys Taylor

#### **AMENDMENT 2 TO MOTION 2**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Jayne Cowan SECONDED BY: Councillor Joel Williams

## **MOTION 3**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Rhys Taylor SECONDED BY: Councillor Joe Carter

## **AMENDMENT 1 TO MOTION 3**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Calum Davies SECONDED BY: Councillor Peter Littlechild

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PROPOSED BY: Councillor Lynda Thorne

SECONDED BY: Councillor Grace Ferguson-Thorne





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### **MOTION 1**

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This Motion calls on Cardiff Council, in discharging its statutory responsibilities as Local Planning Authority, to ensure robust action is taken against developers who persistently breach their conditions of planning, including the use of prohibition orders, preventing developers from continuing with their developments until they comply with their conditions of planning.





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#### AMENDMENT TO MOTION 1

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Joseph Carter SECONDED BY: Councillor Jon Shimmin

Add section at the end of the motion:

The motion further calls on Cardiff Council to bring forward, as part of the Replacement Local Development Plan, proposals to improve the delivery of s106 agreements and proposals for a Community Infrastructure Levy to ensure that developers contribute financially to community facilities and resources.

#### The Amended Motion would read:

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#### **MOTION 2**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Jackie Jones SECONDED BY: Councillor Ed Stubbs

This Council notes that:

Gender equality is one of the cornerstones of our society. It, alongside other equality duties, ensures all our citizens in Cardiff are well served by the Council.

In order to tackle these inequalities in Cardiff, the programmes, policies and spotlights need refreshing and added emphasis. The race equality taskforce, its conclusions and action plan are such examples. The public sector gender equality duty is another. These all intersect to create a Cardiff we can all be proud of and we want to live in.

The CEDAW (United Nations Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination) was signed and ratified under Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government. It provides a list of rights and freedoms for women and girls in the UK, including for women and girls in Cardiff. A culture change is needed for these rights to be fully achieved.

To progress the rights for women and girls the Cardiff Labour Manifesto promised to make Cardiff a city for CEDAW within two years of the election.

CEDAW provides a framework, actions and principles Cardiff Council can take that align and support the goals of the VAWDASV (Wales) Act 2015, the Welsh Government Programme of Government, the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015, the socio-economic duty, Cardiff Child-friendly City, anti-racist city.

Violence against women and girls is pervasive and has been held by the UN Secretary-General to be the most wide-spread human rights violation today. One woman in every three days is killed by her partner or former partner. The ONS figures for Cardiff, the Ask Cardiff Survey 2021 and Welsh Women's Aid research all highlight that women felt much less safe than men in a variety of settings, including walking on the streets, especially after dark, whether in their neighbourhood or in the city centre, that sexual harassment was a major concern and that girls were being targeted by men for exploitation.

To change the culture of sexism and misogyny Cardiff Council needs to take effective actions.

The Tory caused cost-of-living crises has again highlighted that women are negatively impacted differently to men as their relative economic and social power is less than most males. For

example, according to the 2021 ONS figures, despite there being more women than men living in Cardiff (all ages), fewer women are in employment, women are paid less, more women are (unpaid) caregivers and run fewer companies or SMEs. The disparities are growing.

This also intersects with disability, race, age and sexual orientation and identity. For example, the Race Equality Taskforce survey result asked for greater diversity in the public sector. The Locked-Out Report 2021 described how disabled people 'had less access to public services and social support'.

The draft Violence against Women Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence strategy is due in Cabinet in May.

#### The Council resolves:

To provide advice and information through the community Hubs and Libraries across Cardiff to help women and girls to access all benefits to which they are entitled, including a booklet of rights.

To create a programme of activities, informed by women and girls, to empower and engage women and girls, including a 'Rights Fest', 'Equalities Champions' and social impactful projects in Cardiff.

To ensure there are more Safe Spaces throughout Cardiff, involving women and girls in their creation.

To deliver a strong VAWDASV strategy and outcomes to increase the safety of all women and girls in Cardiff.

To ensure the Cardiff VAWDASV strategy reflects CEDAW and provides clear ambition and deliverables towards ending all forms of violence against women and girls.

To review our programme of equalities/inclusion training to ensure the principles of CEDAW are highlighted and mainstreamed in and delivered through such training for Council staff and officers, including front-line staff.

To put in place measures that ensure the Council's workforce is measurably more representative and inclusive of the communities we serve. This includes strengthening and celebrating the work of our equalities network.

To ensure the principles of CEDAW are embedded in all decision-making, with equality impact assessments brought to scrutiny committees, thus fulfilling the public sector duty on gender.

To live by example: to continue to place accountability for abuse on those who cause harm, by challenging and changing the culture of sexism and misogyny, through activities and interventions that address harmful behaviours and promote the elimination of discrimination against women to people of all genders.

To declare Cardiff a 'City for CEDAW'.

To call on the Cabinet to bring forward a report with concrete timetabled proposals to achieve the issues raised in this motion.



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#### AMENDMENT 1 TO MOTION 2

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Bablyn Molik SECONDED BY: Councillor Rhys Taylor

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To call on the Cabinet to bring forward to embed gender-sensitive urban planning in planning policy and urban design as part of the forthcoming Replacement Local Development Plan.

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#### AMENDMENT 2 TO MOTION 2

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Jayne Cowan SECONDED BY: Councillor Rhys Joel Williams

Delete all and replace with:

This Council notes that:

All our citizens in Cardiff should be well served by the Council.

Violence against anyone is unacceptable.

This Council resolves:

To provide advice and information through the Community Hubs and Libraries across Cardiff to help everyone to access all benefits to which they are entitled, including a booklet of rights.

To ensure that more Safe Spaces throughout Cardiff for anyone feeling intimidated.

To live by example; to continue to place accountability for abuse on those who cause harm, by challenging cultures, through activities and interventions that address harmful behaviours and promote the elimination of discrimination against women and men.

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#### MOTION 3

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Joseph Carter SECONDED BY: Councillor Rhys Taylor

#### This council notes that:

- homelessness is devastating, dangerous and isolating.
- the average age of death for people experiencing homelessness is 46 for men and 42 for women.
- people sleeping on the street are almost 17 times more likely to have been victims of violence. More than one in three people sleeping rough have been deliberately hit or kicked or experienced some other form of violence whilst homeless.
- people experiencing homelessness are over nine times more likely to take their own life than the general population.
- LGBTQ+ people are disproportionately affected by youth homelessness. 24% of the youth homelessness population across the UK identified as LGBT.
- Newcastle Council has committed to plans to end homelessness in their local areas, looking at supply, prevention, re-housing, the private rented sector, and welfare support.

This council believes that homelessness isn't inevitable and can be ended, and calls on the administration to establish a Homelessness Task Force tasked with developing a plan to end homelessness in Cardiff that includes:

- Ending the use of hostile architecture in the built environment
- Setting out engagement with South Wales Police to end all use of the Vagrancy Act and related anti-homelessness measures
- Improving temporary accommodation, including for vulnerable groups such as LGB and trans people
- Increasing the overall share of social housing in the city
- Setting out options relating to increasing council tax premiums on empty and second homes to 300% to support housing and homelessness activity.





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#### AMENDMENT 1 TO MOTION 3

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Calum Davies SECONDED BY: Councillor Peter Littlechild

Remove "Setting out engagement with South Wales Police to end all use of the Vagrancy Act and related anti-homelessness measures".

Remove "Setting out options relating to increasing council tax premiums on empty and second homes to 300% to support housing and homelessness activity".

Adding, separate to the bullet point calls, "The Council recognises the important work officers undertake in aiming to reduce homelessness in the city, especially during the coronavirus pandemic."

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#### **AMENDMENT 2 TO MOTION 3**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Lynda Thorne

SECONDED BY: Councillor Grace Ferguson-Thorne

Insert prior to 'this council notes' - 'Recognising the important distinction between homelessness and rough sleeping'

Bullet point 2 - delete 'homelessness' and replace with 'rough sleeping'

Bullet point 6 - insert at the end 'and notes further that rough sleeping rates in Cardiff are broadly similar to that city, albeit rates in the North East have actually increased over the last 2 years.

Insert after 'This council believes that homelessness isn't inevitable and can be ended 'but that that requires a fundamental change of approach at UK Government level. This Council therefore condemns the freezes to the Local Housing Allowance introduced by the Coalition Government 2010-15, and continued under the subsequent Conservative Government, which have seen homelessness levels soar above pre-2010 levels.

This Council further calls on the UK Government to raise the Local Housing Allowance back to the Median level of market rents

• The Council welcomes the establishment in 2019 of a Homeless and Vulnerable Person Board, bringing together public sector partners and a range of 3<sup>rd</sup> sector organisations working on Task and Finish Groups to tackle homelessness, and notes that the Council's Cardiff's Housing Support Programme Strategy 2022-2026 was developed with extensive engagement with external holders on our approach to preventing homelessness and notes the achievements of the Board in reducing the number rough sleepers from the peak in December 2018/September 2019 of 87 to 30 by March 2020, the lowest level for six years.

Delete 'and calls on the administration to establish a Homelessness Task Force tasked with developing a plan to end homelessness in Cardiff that includes:'

Insert 'The Council further:

Bullet point 7 - delete 'Ending the use of hostile architecture in the built environment' and replace with 'Welcomes the long-standing Council policy not to use hostile architecture within the Council controlled public-realm, whilst recognising that businesses have a reasonable expectation that entrances to premises are accessible to customers and staff.

Bullet point 8 - delete 'Setting out engagement with South Wales Police to end all use of the Vagrancy Act and related anti-homelessness measures and replace with 'Welcomes the work of the Street Based Lifestyles Group which includes partner organisations including South Wales Police, which ensures an appropriate balance is set in the approach to supporting communities disproportionately impacted by Street Based Lifestyles whilst taking the complex needs of vulnerable individuals into account'

Bullet point 9 – delete and replace with 'Endorses the administration's work currently underway in improving and expanding temporary accommodation, whilst recognising that there is a nationwide surge in demand for temporary accommodation'

Bullet point 10 – delete and replace with 'Endorses the administration's approach to increasing the overall share of social housing in the city, both through the award winning Council-homes building programme, and the support provided to RSLs in expanding their build programme in the city. The Council believes it is imperative for social housing to be constructed widely in every part of the city, not just in areas of historically high demand'

Bullet point 11 – delete and replace with 'Welcomes the decision to increase council tax premiums on empty and second homes, and requests Cabinet give consideration to the option increasing premiums further in due course% to support housing and homelessness activity.

The Amended Motion would read:

Recognising the important distinction between homelessness and rough sleeping, this council notes that:

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- people sleeping on the street are almost 17 times more likely to have been victims of violence. More than one in three people sleeping rough have been deliberately hit or kicked or experienced some other form of violence whilst homeless.
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