

**COUNCIL**

**25 JANUARY 2024**

**NOTICE OF MOTION 1**

**Proposed by: Councillor John Lancaster**

**Seconded by: Councillor Siân-Elin Melbourne**

**This Council notes:**

- Local Government funding is devolved to the Welsh Government.
- Cardiff has had the second highest increase in settlement from the Welsh Government of 4.1%, above the Welsh average.
- The increase in settlement by Welsh Government is partially offset by their withdrawal of some grant support.
- A projected funding gap of £30.5M for the forthcoming financial year.

**This Council further notes:**

- Council Tax rises place financial pressure on all households, particularly lower income ones.
- Non-Domestic Rates collected in Cardiff are pooled centrally by the Welsh Government and redistributed around Wales. Cardiff receives back less than it contributes.
- Proposals in the budget consultation include reduction in frontline services.

**This Council resolves:**

- To listen to residents' needs & focus on protecting and improving core services, with the need to keep Council Tax as low as possible and deliver value for money.
- To oppose three-weekly black bin collections, charging a separate fee for the collection of garden waste, removal of litter bins and reduction of street cleaning.
- To eliminate our funding gap and improve core services by negotiating with Welsh Government to retain 100% of the Non-Domestic Rates collected by Cardiff Council.