



Exeter City Council

A meeting of **EXETER CITY COUNCIL** will be held at the **GUILDHALL, HIGH STREET, EXETER** on **TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2013**, at 6.00 pm, at which you are hereby summoned to attend. The following business is proposed to be transacted:-

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12 Notice of Motion by Councillor Edwards under Standing Order No. 6

That Exeter City Council:

- 1) notes that payday lenders are trapping millions of people in spirals of debt.
- 2) believes that the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA)'s new proposals for regulating payday lenders are a step in the right direction, but do not go far enough.
- 3) further believes:
 - i) that the FCA's proposals would not prevent payday lenders from drip feeding new loans to people who have payday debts and are struggling to pay them back
 - ii) that the FCA's proposals would not prevent people from being hit with escalating penalty fees
 - iii) that the FCA's proposals would not stop payday lenders from raiding people's bank accounts without telling them.
- 4) welcomes that some of Britain's biggest debt, consumer and anti-poverty organisations – including Which?, Citizens Advice, StepChange Debt Charity, Church Action on Poverty and the Centre for Responsible Credit – and MPs from every Party represented at Westminster have come together to support the Charter to stop the Payday Loan Rip-Off.
- 5) resolves to:
 - i) endorse the Charter to Stop the Payday Loan Rip-Off which calls on the FCA to introduce tougher regulation of payday lenders.
 - ii) encourage residents of Exeter to support the Charter by signing the online petition at <http://www.change.org/paydayloancharter>
 - iii) promote and support the development of local credit unions and more affordable lending
 - iv) work with partners on campaigns against increasing levels of personal debt.
- 6) agrees to send a copy of this motion to Martin Wheatley, Chief Executive of the Financial Conduct Authority and to all local Members of Parliament.

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The Council Notes:-

- that England is now widely recognised to be the Country with the most centralised system of government in Europe;
- that devolution has brought decisions about tax and spending and the quality of public services closer to voters in Scotland and Wales, whilst English voters have not gained comparably greater influence over decision-making that affects their taxes and services; and

Considers:-

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- that the likely scale of change in how public services are funded and provided makes it democratically unsustainable for those changes to be decided within the existing over-centralised Government model;
- that services and their delivery need to be reformed and integrated across local agencies to enable them to take a proactive, preventative approach to problems rather than relying upon reactive solutions;
- that voters should be given back a meaningful say on a wider range of tax and spending decisions, through place-based budgetary arrangements with the abolition of the discredited Barnett formula and the reinstatement of fair financial distribution amongst English Councils; the re-creation of a municipal bond market and the certainty of multi-year funding settlements for the life of a Parliament;
- that central government should enable local decision-making through the joining up and reducing in size of Whitehall Departments in order to facilitate local place-based budgets by reducing Ministers' powers to intervene in local decisions and replacing bureaucratic tick-box inspection regimes with local service user champions; and
- that formal constitutional protection to local democracy be granted to reflect a new, more mature working arrangement between central and local government; and

The Council therefore resolves to:-

- support the Local Government Association's Rewiring Public Services campaign, which embodies the above objectives;
- ask the City's Members of Parliament to support the Rewiring Public Services campaign which will improve local voters' influence over services, tax and spending; and
- instruct Officers to write to the Secretary of State informing him of this Resolution.

Date: Date Not Specified

Karime Hassan
Chief Executive &
Growth Director

NOTE: Members are asked to sign the Attendance Register



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