COUNCIL - 23 OCTOBER 2019

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

MOTION 1

The following motion on notice has been submitted.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT "ON-DEMAND" SERVICE

"The Council recognises that there is a need to improve public transport in the District, and laments the decline in availability and use of buses in the area. The relative paucity of public transport negatively affects the air quality in the District, and also contributes to the failure to produce a modal shift. Moreover, it disproportionally disadvantages the more elderly, the disabled, and rural and poorer members of our society.

In some other Local Authority areas, public transport has been greatly improved by setting up an "On-Demand Service" - mainly using an app on people's mobile phones.

This Council therefore requests its Overview and Scrutiny Committee to investigate the possibility of working with Hertfordshire County Council to research the possibility of setting up such an "On-Demand" service in East Herts."

Proposed by Councillor C Wilson Seconded by Councillor J Dumont

MOTION 2

The following motion on notice has been submitted.

PUBLIC WORK LOAN BOARD INTEREST RATE INCREASE

"East Herts District Council is dismayed by H.M.Treasury's recent and unexpected decision to raise the interest rate charged by the Public Works Loans Board. This 1% increase has come without any warning and it takes effect immediately. It will have serious consequences for many Local Authorities across the Country and may put many excellent projects at risk.

This Council requests that its Leader and the Executive member for Financial Sustainability should write immediately to H.M. Treasury and ask for the increase to be scrapped and for the interest rate to be kept at 1.8%."

Proposed by Councillor M Goldspink Seconded by Councillor T Beckett