Notice of Motions received from Councillor Peter Wilson

1. Community Transport

This council welcomes the decision to maintain community transport service levels for the next three months. The council recognises the valuable role community transport services play and the importance to pensioners of using their NowCards on these services. Therefore we urge the Council to make representations to Lancashire County Council to use this three month period to make arrangements for maintaining all community transport services in the future at their current levels.

2. Social Care

Chorley Council recognises the huge contribution that parents who act as full time carers to disabled children make to our society. We also acknowledge and applaud the help and support they have been given by Lancashire County Council in the past through the provision of much needed respite care. Chorley Council, however, wishes to express its' opposition to the County Council's decision to reduce this provision as a part of its response to the Government's cut in funding. We request that the Leader of the Council writes to the Leader of Lancashire County Council and demands that the LCC Cabinet reconsiders this decision which has caused heartache and distress to so many.

3. Support For Senior Citizens

As part of this Councils ongoing support and commitment to ensure good health and wellbeing amongst older people, we call on the government to immediately restore the proposed cut in winter fuel payments proposed in the recent Budget.

4. Local Democracy and the Planning Process

This council recognises the importance of empowering local people in the decision making process and supports the council's vision outlined in our constitution which commits the council to involving people in their communities. We recognise the importance of this in respect of the planning process and the vital role councillors play in representing the views of local residents. Furthermore we believe that too many decisions are taken under delegated powers, despite opposition from councillors and local residents. Therefore we call on the council to ensure that all applications are referred to the Development Control Committee where at least one objection from a ward councillor, who is acting following a written request from a constituent or constituents, is received, thus allowing the public to air their views and the application to be given due consideration by democratically elected councillors from all political parties.

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