

**GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT****NOTICE OF MOTION  
HOUSING BENEFIT**

That the motion be amended to insert a new recommendation (1) as shown in ***bold italics***.

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Proposed by: Cllr Gibson

Seconded by: Cllr Hugh-Jones

**Recommendation if carried to read:**

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