

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**LABOUR PARTY**

**FAIR TRADE**

This Council resolves:

- To note the importance of Fair Trade as part of a sustainable future;
- To note the Council's continued commitment to Fair Trade as part of the minimum buying standards for food and catering contracts;
- To note that opportunities to increase the Council's commitment to buying Fair Trade for food and catering contracts continue to be sought and taken wherever possible within the current budgetary constraints;
- That a report be brought to the next meeting of this Committee setting out progress against the Council's commitments to and support for Fair Trade since 2016.

Proposed by: Cllr Appich

Seconded by: Cllr

Supporting information:

The city was awarded Fair Trade City status in 2004 and renewed in 2015. At the [Policy, Resources and Growth committee](#) on 9 June 2016, members supported proposals initially raised as a Notice of Motion at Full Council in January 2016. A renewal application has to be submitted by the spring of 2021.

The council's Sustainability Action Plan 2015 to 2017 confirmed the commitment to Fair Trade.

The Council's corporate plan 2020 – 2023 reaffirms its commitment to a "fairer city and sustainable future".

The year 2020 is set to become one of the hottest in recorded history. Climate change is a global issue that has disproportionately impacted millions of farmers daily.

Farming families are increasingly concerned about the future of food production, as the environmental impacts of climate change will intensify in the coming years.

Therefore, it is essential to give a platform to elevate the voices of marginalised farmers and workers whose livelihoods are being threatened.

The Fairtrade approach to climate change focuses on making farmers adaptable and resilient by implementing sustainable supply chains that will ensure their wellbeing and food security.

