

NOTICE OF MOTION
GREEN GROUP
DEALING WITH FLOODING

“In the light of the effect of recent weather events on our city and more widely, this council resolves:

(1) To ask our Chief Exec to write to relevant Secretaries of State requesting they:

- Set a meaningful deadline for the requirement in new build for sustainable drainage systems, as set out under the Floods and Water Management Act 2010
- Increase spending on flood defences to the level suggested by the Climate Change Committee and reduce the cost benefit ratio required for schemes to be eligible for support;
- Commit to a policy to rethink land management policies to encourage the storage of water in upland areas, and make flood prevention a non-negotiable condition of all farm subsidies
- Strengthen planning rules for urban and rural areas to prevent further development on flood plains and ensure developers prioritise flood resilience and prevention.

(2) As one of ten Defra-defined Flood Risk Areas in England, to request the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee to prioritise work on our city Flood Risk Management Plan and in particular the Surface Water Management Plan to bring forward viable schemes to reduce flood risk in key ‘hotspots’.”

Proposed by: Councillor Hawtree Seconded by: Councillor Buckley

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Supporting Information: