

(1) Motion submitted by Councillor Ms A Western:-

Regional and local public sector pay

This Council notes that the Chancellor of the Exchequer announced in the 2012 Budget the Government's desire to introduce 'more market facing' public sector pay. This could mean regional or local public sector pay.

Council believes:

- All of the UK outside London and the South East stands to be affected by this, with the possibility of years of pay falling behind the cost of living.
- Workers in Derbyshire are already paid less than the national average.
- It will make it harder for schools and other public services to recruit and retain good quality professionals who could earn more for doing the same job elsewhere.
- This policy will not improve the pay of private sector workers but instead could encourage further depression of wages in all sectors.
- This policy is therefore counter to our collective vision and ambitions for Derbyshire for the future.

Council resolves:

- To write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Chief Secretary to the Treasury stating this Council's opposition to plans for regional and localised public sector pay.
- To write to all local MPs within the next month outlining concerns about the impact that this policy would have on services and the local economy.

(2) Motion submitted by Councillor Ms A Western:-

Remploy

This Council believes that Remploy factories transform the lives of disabled people and those experiencing complex barriers to work by providing sustainable employment opportunities.

This Council supports the workers of the Remploy factory in Chesterfield who face job losses as a result of the Government's plans to sell off the factory.

This Council resolves to write to all local MPs and the new Minister for Disabilities within the next month stating the Council's opposition to the sale of the Chesterfield factory.