

Annual Council Meeting – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
Notice of Motion

**Motion submitted by Councillor Anne Western**

The Labour Group would like to submit the following motion:

This council welcomes the government's commitment to reducing the amount of plastic in the environment.

The council notes the recent government assurances about the long-term security of UK gas supplies from current sources.

The council can therefore see no justification for the proposed change to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) that would give preferential status to unconventional hydrocarbons by requiring minerals planning authorities to "put in place policies to facilitate their exploration and extraction". The council will object to this proposed change in its response to NPPF consultation and convey this objection to the relevant government ministers.