

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

5 December 2018

NOTICE OF MOTION

The following Notice of Motion has been received:-

Notice of Motion received from Councillor A Western

Theresa May has declared that austerity is over.

Philip Hammond announced in his budget speech that austerity is coming to an end.

However, in the real world, austerity is still with us and causing great hardship.

Public services in Derbyshire, and the rest of the country, are still facing further budget cuts over the next few years.

In Derbyshire, as in the rest of the country, almost nine years of funding cuts have driven public services to breaking point.

- The NHS in Derbyshire
- Derbyshire Police
- Council services, such as adult social care and children's services
- Schools, especially support for children with special educational needs and disabilities

These services and many more are reaching crisis point.

In our communities, foodbank usage is growing, rough sleeping and homelessness is increasing and in-work poverty is the day-to-day reality for many families. Universal Credit roll-out is pushing many people to the point of despair.

This council calls for urgent action from the Prime Minister and Chancellor to halt any further cuts to public sector funding and begin the process of long-term reinvestment in public services. We further call for a halt to Universal Credit roll-out.

Janie Berry
Director of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer