

Notice of Motion by Councillor Ford –

The chief executive shall write to the Scottish finance minister expressing the Council's view that the current grant and local tax arrangements do not provide a sustainable basis for funding the important public services provided by local government, so significant reform is both urgent and essential, including:

1. Progress towards delivering a replacement for the Council Tax and in the meantime lifting the 3 per cent cap so local decision making is restored on funding for public services from the Council Tax;
2. New powers to enable local government to raise funds in different ways, and;
3. A fiscal framework for local government that would provide long-term stability for councils, service providers and users.

