

## Amendments to “Harrow Council supporting votes at 16” motion

Councillor proposing amendments: Cllr Paul Osborn

Councillor seconding amendments: Cllr Barry Macleod-Cullinane

### **“Harrow Council supporting votes at 16”**

Councillor proposing: Cllr Christine Robson

Councillor seconding: Cllr Sachin Shah

*This Council believes:*

- Sixteen and seventeen year olds are able to become more active citizens, being able to work on a full time basis, pay tax, join the army reserves and getting married;
- All young people in Harrow and across the country should be listened to and encouraged to engage further in the democratic process;

*This Council supports:*

- *Extending the voting rights to sixteen and seventeen year olds, as advocated by Harrow Youth Parliament on behalf of the young people residing in the borough;*
- *Young people in exercising their democratic right over the political direction of local authorities and national governments;*

*This Council resolves:*

- *To instruct the Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council to write to the Prime Minister, the Rt Hon Theresa May MP, and the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Sport and Civil Society, Tracey Crouch MP, expressing our support for the extension of the voting rights to sixteen and seventeen year olds.*
- To instruct the Leader of the Council to appoint a representative of the Harrow Youth Parliament as a non-executive member of Cabinet to make a tangible difference to the democratic inclusion of young people and take a step forward in improving political engagement for young people in Harrow.