

## Amendment to Planning Motion

Proposer: Councillor Marilyn Ashton

Seconder: Councillor Stephen Greek

### This Council notes that

- it has allowed its Local Plan to become outdated, with large parts of the Local Plan becoming obsolete due to the newly adopted London Plan.
- it has not adopted a Tall Buildings SPD to ensure that we can refuse tower blocks outside of the Opportunity Area.
- it has not adopted local policies to resist the growing number of family dwelling houses being converted into flats and HMOs.

This Council believes planning works best when developers and the local community work together to shape local areas and deliver necessary new homes;

This Council therefore calls on the Government to

- protect the right of communities to object to individual planning applications
- undertake a review of permitted development rights
- implement stronger controls to ensure ~~Ministers~~ that any individuals making decisions on planning applications are not connected, financially or personally, with developers or related parties to the application

The Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the three Harrow Members of Parliament – Gareth Thomas, Bob Blackman and David Simmonds – to inform them of this motion, seek their support for the points made, and their commitment to oppose any changes that seek to reduce the rights of communities to object to individual planning application and for the letters and any responses to be published for residents.