

<b>CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL</b>	<b>Meeting of the City Council</b> <b>21 July 2021</b>
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<b>Report title</b>	Motions on Notice
<b>Referring body/person</b>	Councillor Ian Brookfield Councillor Ellis Turrell
<b>Wards affected</b>	All Wards
<b>Cabinet Member with lead responsibility</b>	N/A
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#### **Recommendation for decision**

The Council is recommended to:

Consider the motions received in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

## 1.0 Purpose

1.1 For Council to consider the motions received:

### a. New Planning Proposal

Councillor Ian Brookfield will move the following motion:

*We call upon our Council to join the national uproar from all local authorities about the Government's new planning proposals.*

*They are essentially an uninspired 'Developers Charter' that fails to respect the most important part of any planning process – the views of local residents.*

*Their proposals for a zonal based system where all land will be put into 3 different zone categories (Growth, Renewal and Protected) would replace the existing ability of local planning authorities to make individual decisions about developments. It would replace the current system of applying for planning permission, and deny local residents the opportunity to voice their opinions on individual applications. This is an erosion of local democracy.*

*'Zonal planning' is at best, a very blunt instrument and, at worst, a disaster. This council cannot and will not support such an approach.*

### b. Brownfield First Policy

Councillor Ellis Turrell will move the following motion:

*That this Council, in pursuit of a Brownfield-first policy, agrees to actively promote the identification of further brownfield land across the City for housing, through both the public consultation of the Black Country Plan and a public 'call for sites', including making direct contact with landowners; and that council-owned greenfield and green belt land shall not be put forward for development, but instead retained for future generations, ensuring any wider development proposals secure investment for such green spaces for community benefit and ecological enhancements.*