Motions Submitted to Council

In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 15) of the Council's Constitution

Motion 2

Submitted by Councillor J Kent

The Thameside Theatre is held in great affection by residents across Thurrock. Therefore the sudden announcement that the theatre is likely to close by April 2019 is causing real concern in many quarters. Council is of the collective view that the Thameside Theatre should remain open until a new civic theatre for Thurrock, situated in Grays, has opened.

Monitoring Officer Comments:

It is within the function of Full Council to express such a view or opinion, however it should be noted that under section 9DA(3) of the Local Government Act 2000, as amended, decision making on this executive matter is reserved to the Executive. Finally the matter raised by the Motion was the subject of a response by the Leader at the last meeting of Full Council in January 2017.

Section 151 Officer Comments:

The Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) for the period through to 2020/21 contains no proposals or assumptions that the Thameside will close and the capital proposals are seeking funding to develop a feasibility study for a new theatre.

Is the above motion within the remit of Council to approve?

Yes