

Motions Submitted to Council

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

Motion 3

Submitted by Councillor Rigby

The high use of fireworks in the borough is causing distress and injury to pets and wildlife with an impact on air quality. Members therefore call on the Council to request the Government; via a letter to George Eustice, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with copies sent to our two local Members of Parliament, Jackie Doyle - Price and Stephen Metcalfe; review current legislation to include the following:

- Reduce the time period fireworks can be purchased.
- Reduce the decibel level of fireworks for private use.
- Restrict use of fireworks to official dates such as Bonfire night, Diwali, New Year's Eve and Chinese New Year. All other times, for example weddings, requiring a licence.

We also request the Council provide improved notification of big scheduled events.

Monitoring Officer Comments:

This Motion relates to a matter which affects the Authority or the Authority's area and for which there is a relevant function. Legal Services would be able to advise on any specific, direct legal implications for the Council in due course.

Section 151 Officer Comments:

There are no financial implications arising from this motion.

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

Yes