

**CONSERVATIVE GROUP AMENDMENT****SAVE THE UNION LEARNING FUND**

That the motion be amended to insert the text as shown in ***bold italics***.

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- ~~The Government to continue investing in the Union Learning Fund.~~

Proposed by: Cllr Brown

Seconded by: Cllr McNair

**Motion if carried to read:**

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