

NOTICE OF MOTION**LABOUR GROUP MOTION****IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE**

This Council recognises and acknowledges:

- 1) The significant financial, social, wellbeing and educational impacts that the last 12 months of Covid and lockdown have brought to children and their families across the city;
- 2) The great support for these groups that our city's services, community groups and communities have provided to alleviate these impacts;

This Council therefore resolves to:

- 1) Request that the Chief Executive write to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, Robert Jenrick MP, asking for him to lobby for additional funding from the Treasury to support local authorities providing additional financial and service support to our most vulnerable and affected children across the city;
- 2) Request a report to a future Children, Young People & Skills committee in this council year to outline the impacts of Covid-19 and lockdown on children and young people, and potential additional support that could be used to mitigate these impacts including:
 - a. Emotional and wellbeing support in the community;
 - b. Rebuilding young people's community support networks post-Covid;
 - c. Ensuring every child on Free School Meals has access to nutritional food through School Holidays and not just during term time;
 - d. Enabling greater access to existing council services and programmes through increased concessionary fees;
 - e. Enabling free travel for young people across the city;
 - f. Broadening out-of-school and after-hours educational support long-term, to address new and entrenched disadvantage.

Proposed by: Cllr Yates

Seconded by: Cllr Allcock

Supporting Information:

<https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-we-do/our-campaigns/strengthening-safety-net>

