



Subject:	Notice of Motion re: Citizens Basic Income Scheme
Date:	20 th October, 2017
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After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	To consider a notice of motion in relation to a Citizens Basic Income Scheme which, in accordance with standing orders, was referred to the Committee by the Council at its meeting on 1st June.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Consider the notice of motion and to take such action thereon as may be determined.

3.0	Main report
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>At the meeting of the Council on 2nd October, the following notice of motion, which was proposed by Councillor McVeigh and seconded by Councillor Hutchinson, was, in accordance with Standing Order 13(f), referred to the Committee for consideration:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“This Council recognises the devastating impact that unemployment and benefit cuts can have upon citizens, families and communities.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The Council will explore, as part of a wider employability initiative and with the help of the Executive, the implementation of a Citizens’ Basic Income (CBI) scheme. In order to inform this process, the Council will undertake a feasibility study into how it might support a pilot study concentrated within our most deprived communities.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The CBI initiative would mean, for those identified as part of the initiative, the replacement of benefits and pensions with an unconditional flat rate payment. Citizens would then be able to work and earn additional income on top of the basic payment. Such a scheme has the potential to help eradicate poverty and homelessness in the City.”</p> <p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>None associated with this report.</p> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>None</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None