

MOTION ON NOTICE

City Council



COST OF LIVING

The cost of living has been increasing across the UK for eighteen months, however inflation rates are currently at a 40 year high and many people in Plymouth are facing difficult choices about what they can afford.

Rising prices, especially of food, energy and fuel, and increasing interest rates are affecting household budgets across the city and are disproportionately impacting those on low incomes.

This Council:

1. Recognises the significant impact current energy costs, interest rates and other financial pressures are having on citizens in Plymouth.
2. Endorses the existing partnership work which already takes place across the city to tackle poverty and support the most vulnerable and places on record its gratitude for all those working tirelessly in this field.
3. Welcomes the Cost of Living Taskforce which has been set up to ensure this successful track record of collaboration and partnership continues as we work together to deal with the increased pressures of the cost of living on families, individuals and businesses across the city.
4. Pledges to proactively identify those most in need of support and to ensure they have access to all the Government support they are eligible for and to distribute government funding such as the Household Support Fund as creatively and effectively as possible to reach those most in need.
5. Commits to providing leadership and support across the city to ensure that the impact of the cost of living crisis is minimised for all those living in Plymouth.

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