
NOTICE OF MOTION – BRITAIN'S MEMBERSHIP OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

To: **Council – 31 March 2016**

By: **Committee Services Manager**

Classification: **Unrestricted**

Ward: **All Wards**

Summary: **To consider a Notice of Motion submitted in relation to Britain leaving the European Union.**

For Decision

1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1. The following motion has been received from Councillor Wells in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 3:

“Due to the negative impact that I believe EU directives such as the agency working time directive and EU procurement rules have on the ability and cost of (Thanet) Council to fulfil its obligations, this council agrees that Britain would be better off outside the European Union.”

2.0 Options

- 2.1 To debate the motion
- 2.2 Not to debate the motion, in which case the motion will fall

3.0 Corporate Implications

3.1 Financial

- 3.1.1 None arising directly from this report

3.2 Legal

- 3.2.1 Council Procedure Rule 3.7 states that: “the Member whose name appears first on the notice will move the motion during his or her speech and call for a seconder. If seconded, a Member from the controlling political group will be entitled to a reply, after which the motion shall stand referred without further discussion to the Cabinet or appropriate committee for determination or report unless the Council decides to debate the motion in accordance with Rule 16” (*rules of debate*)
- 3.2.2 However, as only Council can adopt the motion on notice, the motion will fall if the Council does not agree to debate it.

3.3 Corporate

3.3.1 Council Procedure Rule 3 provides the opportunity for Councillors to give advance notice of motions to be put to Council.

3.4 Equity and Equalities

3.4.1 None arising directly from this report

4.0 Recommendation

4.1 Council is invited to consider whether to debate the motion.

5.0 Decision Making Process

5.1 It is for Council to decide whether or not to debate the motion, and if it does so, whether or not to agree the motion.

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Annex List

None	
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Background Papers

Title	Details of where to access copy
None	

Corporate Consultation Undertaken

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