NOTICE OF MOTION

To be submitted to the meeting of Full Council to be held on:

Wednesday 12th December 2018

in accordance with Standing Order Number 6.

	Name (in capitals)	Signature
Proposer:	Clir Sandra Baker	SM Bulker
Seconder:	Cllr Pauline Sinnott	P10- P1

MOTION TO COUNCIL: PUBLIC HEALTH FUNDING

Halton Borough Council calls on government to support an increase in public health funding and to ensuring a 'prevention first' approach in the health and social care system. In turn the Council will, for its part, continue to support and fund public health initiatives to the best of our abilities - to prevent ill-health, reduce inequalities and support a health and social care system that is fit for the future. Around four in ten cancer diagnosis are preventable, largely through avoidable risk factors, such as stopping smoking and healthy diets.

This Council believes that the impact of cuts to public health on our communities is becoming difficult to ignore. This case becomes more pressing given the Government's consideration of a 10-year plan for the NHS.

Council supports the view that:

- It is harmful to our residents that the Council will have less grant and support from government than in previous years.
- Without added investment in public health, people will needlessly suffer, families and community suffer and employers face a burden through staff sickness and lost productivity.

Council resolves to write to the Secretary of State for Health to call for an increase in public health funding and not to phase out the Public Health Grant by 2020/21 as is currently proposed.