



## NOTICE OF MOTION

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

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020  
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in accordance with Standing Order Number 6.

	Name (in capitals)	Signature
Proposer:	Cllr Ellen Cargill	
Seconder:	Cllr June Roberts	

### MOTION TO COUNCIL: FIREWORKS

This Council expressed concern at harm that can result from the irresponsible use of fireworks. While safely displayed fireworks bring enjoyment to some people, the uncontrolled misuse of fireworks can result in distress, injury or anxiety to people, as well as death, injury or distress to animals. In advance of Bonfire Night there is increased likelihood of fireworks being a cause of nuisance in anti-social behaviour incidents.

Council endeavours to dissuade people from risks by holding a safety led annual fireworks display each November and to actively enforce the existing laws on the control of fireworks, this includes the licensing and inspection of firework retailers and investigation into unlicensed traders. However, Council considers the existing laws do not go far enough to protect the public and added actions are required.

Council resolves to support the RSPCA campaign aimed at strengthening actions to prevent distress, injury or anxiety to people, as well as death, injury or distress to animals.

This Council agrees:

- 1) To actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks.
- 2) To write to the government urging it introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays and to introduce a limit on the public use of fireworks on or close to specific dates and times.
- 3) To encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock 'quieter' fireworks for public display.