

MOTION ON NOTICE RECEIVED PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12

The proper Officer reports that, pursuant to Council procedure Rule 12, the following Motion has been received from Councillors T G Cutmore and K H Hudson:-

‘Rochford District Council is opposed to the concept of eco-towns, as proposed by central Government, which are not supported by Council core strategies and relevant housing needs studies.

The eco-town concept as presented by the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG) is flawed both technically and democratically. It is outside of the existing regional planning framework and is a policy imposition by central Government not subject to local accountability.

There is nothing inherent in the concept that could deliver a greener future as compared with ensuring that the proposed 126,000 Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) dwellings for Essex deliver sustainable living.

Any sustainable proposal must be underpinned by local job and infrastructure funding to fundamentally support the concept.’

Sarah Fowler

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Background Papers:-

Notices Received

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