

**Agenda Item: 8**

<b>Report Title:</b> Addendum Report – Amended Motion Motion by Councillor Mrs Joanne Beavis Abbott - Cost of Living Crisis	
<b>Report to:</b> Council	
<b>Date:</b> 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	<b>For:</b> Debate
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Decision Planner Ref No:</b> Not applicable
<b>Motion Presented by:</b> Councillor Mrs Joanne Beavis <b>Motion Seconded by:</b> Councillor James Abbott <b>Motion Support by:</b> Councillors N Unsworth, B Wright, T Walsh, S Hicks, Mrs J Sandum, Ms M Weeks and P Thorogood	
<b>Enquiries to:</b> Emma Wisbey, Governance and Members Manager	

**1. Constitution provisions**

Further to the publication of the Agenda, Councillor Mrs Beavis and Councillor James Abbott as the Proposer and Seconder of the original Motion have accepted an Amendment to the Motion which was proposed by Councillor Graham Butland and seconded by Councillor Tom Cunningham.

The Amendment was submitted in accordance with Rule 12:20 of Chapter 2 of the Constitution.

In accepting the Amendment, the amended Motion is the Substantive Motion for debate by Full Council and is set out in section 2 below. For the avoidance of doubt in accepting the Amendment, there is no need for full Council to debate and vote on the Amendment.

**2. Substantive Motion:**

This Council recognises the Cost of Living Crisis and the impact it is having on many residents in the Braintree District.

Council also recognises that the Government has introduced a range of support measures including relief through council tax bills and new grant support, with additional specific grants to assist pensioners, people with disabilities and the poorest households.

However the Government has stated it cannot cover all impacts and therefore, given the scale of the Cost of Living Crisis, Council requires the Chairmen of

the Community Development and the Partnership Development Scrutiny Committees to establish a combined committee consisting of all the Members of the respective two Scrutiny Committees. The remit of the combined committee will be to review the measures that the Council and its partners in Essex are already offering, and to recommend any further assistance that can be delivered this financial year for the residents of Braintree District.

The combined committee is to report back to the meeting of the Council to be held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022, and to facilitate this timetable there shall be no more than two meetings of the combined committee.