

Report To: The Inverclyde Council **Date:** 1 December 2011

Report By: Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment **Report No:** RMcG/LA/788/11

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Subject: Motion by West Dunbartonshire Council - Introduction of Orthodontic Treatment Need (IOTN)

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider the attached motion from West Dunbartonshire Council requesting that the Council support its motion to reverse the recent decision by the Scottish Government to introduce the Index of Orthodontic Treatment Need (IOTN) Guidance in Scotland. APPENDIX

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The Committee is requested to consider the attached motion.

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Dear John

Introduction of Orthodontic Treatment Need (IOTN)

At a meeting on 26 October, West Dunbartonshire Council unanimously agreed the following Motion:-

This Council notes the recent decision by the Scottish Government to introduce the 'Index of Orthodontic Treatment Need (IOTN)' guidance in Scotland.

Council notes that the impact of this is that some children will no longer be entitled to orthodontics treatment in Scotland.

Council agrees that this is a retrograde step and one that will impact on the poorest families and middle income earners.

Council calls on the Leader of the Council to raise this matter at the next NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board meeting and demand a reversal of this policy.

Council also instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Cabinet Secretary for Health & Wellbeing condemning this change. Additionally, the Chief Executive is instructed to write to all Local Authorities in Scotland asking them to raise this issue at Council and call on their representatives on NHS Boards to support this Campaign.

I am therefore writing to request your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Joyce White
Chief Executive