

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Report To:	The Inverclyde Council	Date: 11 April 2013
Report By:	Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources	Report No: RMcG/LA/1010/13
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Subject:	Welfare Reform - Motion by Councillor MacLeod	

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider the attached motion from Councillor MacLeod, APPENDIX countersigned by Councillor McEleny, in relation to welfare reform, which has been submitted in accordance with Standing Order 22.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 The Council is requested to consider the attached motion.

Rona McGhee Legal & Democratic Services

SNP Motion to Full Council - Welfare Reform

"Council notes that the Westminster government is imposing on the people of Inverclyde the largest reforms of the welfare state in many years. This will take millions of pounds out of Inverclyde and impacts on the most vulnerable in our society. Furthermore it is noted that one of the most damaging reforms will be the "bedroom tax" on those deemed to be living in under occupied homes. This tax will have widespread ramifications for many people in Inverclyde and will likely cause considerable financial hardship.

It is the belief of council that no resident of Inverceyde should be evicted as a result of these damaging reforms in particular the bedroom tax. Therefore council instructs the chief executive to write to all Housing associations in Inverceyde to make this position clear in the hope that they will adopt a no evictions policy.

Proposed Cllr Macleod

Seconded Cfl McEleny