## **Equality Impact Assessment Screening Form**

this form. If you would like further guidance please contact the Access to Services team (see guidance for details).						
Section 1						
Which service area and directorate are you from?						
Service Area: Cl	lrs R Stewart, ۱	O Hopkins, A Le	wis, C Lloyd, J	Raynor, M Thom	nas, E King, L	
Gibbard, A Pugh, R Francis-Davies, A Stevens, P Matthews, P Lloyd, M Evans, R Smith, M						
Sherwood, C Evans, C Anderson						
Directorate: N/A						
Q1(a) WHAT ARE YOU SCREENING FOR RELEVANCE?						
Service/	Policy/					

Strategy

**Project** 

Plan

Proposal

X

## (b) Please name and <u>describe</u> here:

Procedure

## **Notice of Motion:**

Function

This Council condemns the decision of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rishi Sunak, and the UK Government to freeze the pay of 2 million public sector key workers but particularly those employed by Local Council's as announced in the UK Spending Review of the 25th November 2020. The coronavirus pandemic of the last 11 months has seen council workers at the forefront of the coronavirus response, protecting our communities and taking risks on a daily basis. This announcement, which follows over 10 years of austerity, and has already seen a fall in real terms wages, is outrageous. Sections of the Council workforce including Teachers, Refuse Workers, Public Health Officers and many others, have all played their part in the covid response. The promised levelling up of those who work in our Social Care Sector including care home workers, domiciliary care workers and social workers, many of whom have risked their lives while receiving the lowest pay and conditions, has been forgotten even before the pandemic has ended and that is a national disgrace. Claps don't pay bills. People need and deserve decent rates of pay, not a pay cut after many of them have put their lives on the line during the pandemic to keep us all safe. This decision is all the more outrageous given that at the same time as cutting workers wages, spending on the defence budget is to be increased.

Once again it seems that the public sector will take the brunt of a failed economic policy which attacks wages and ability to spend rather than encouraging much needed stimulation of growth and investment which will be crucial to improving the UK economy in the coming months and years. The economic recovery should be for the many and not just the few.

## Council asks that:

The Leader of Swansea Council write a letter to the Chancellor of the Exchequer denouncing this announcement in the strongest possible terms and asking him to reconsider this proposal ensuring the public sector is rightly recognised with a decent pay award in 2021/22.

That the Leader of Swansea Council invite Group Leaders to sign the letter and show their support for Key workers

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Q4 WHAT ENGAGEMENT / CONSULTATION / CO-PRODUCTIVE APPROACHES WILL YOU UNDERTAKE?  Please provide details below – either of your planned activities or your reasons for not undertaking engagement  Not applicable to Notice of Motions  Q5(a) HOW VISIBLE IS THIS INITIATIVE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC?  High visibility Medium visibility Low visibility  □(H) □ (M) □ (L)							
(b) WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL RISK TO THE COUNCIL'S REPUTATION? (Consider the following impacts – legal, financial, political, media, public perception etc)							
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Q6	Will this initiative have an impact (however minor) on any other Council service?							
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Q7	Q7 HOW DID YOU SCORE?  Please tick the relevant box							
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Q8 If you determine that this initiative is not relevant for an EIA report, you must provide a full explanation here. Please ensure that you cover all of the relevant protected groups.								
There are no equality implications with regards to this notice of motion.								
Section 2  NB: Please email this completed form to the Access to Services Team for agreement before obtaining approval from your Head of Service. Head of Service approval is only required via email – no electronic signatures or paper copies are needed.								
Screening completed by:								
Name: Rhian Millar								
Job title: Access to Services Manager  Date: 02/02/2021								
Approval by Head of Service:								
Name: Tracey Meredith								
Position: Chief Legal Officer								
Date: 02/02/2021								