

Council – 29 July 2021

Notice of Motion – Universal Credit.

Notice of Motion from Councillors R C Stewart, A S Lewis, D H Hopkins, M C Child, R Francis-Davies, L S Gibbard, E J King, A Pugh, R V Smith, A H Stevens, M Thomas, C A Holley, W S Lewis, M B Lewis, J P Curtice, D W W Thomas, C Anderson and S Pritchard

This council deplores the cruel and spiteful decision by the Tory U.K. government to cut Universal Credit payments by £20 per week (or £1040 per year) for millions of people across Wales and the U.K.

This cut will potentially leave thousands of Swansea residents facing a substantial cut to their income, and remove hundreds of thousands of pounds from the local economy. It's impacts will be simply devastating on low income households.

We call upon the Leader of council (and any political Group leaders who are prepared to sign) to write a letter laying out our strong objection to the proposed universal credit cut; to highlight the impacts on Swansea residents and families; and urge the Tory U.K. Government in the strongest possible terms to reverse the cut and retain the £20 per week.