

Council – 6 July 2023

Notice of Motion - Lockdown Party and Honours.

Notice of Motion from Councillors Rob Stewart, Andrea Lewis, David Hopkins, Mike Lewis, Wendy Lewis, Lesley Walton, Yvonne Jardine, Robert Francis-Davies & Elliott King

This Council notes with deep concern and disgust, the recent release of a video showing conservative members of staff, employed and working at the heart of the Tory Government during December 2020, arrogantly breaking Covid rules by partying, not maintaining social distancing, holding a social gathering, consuming alcohol and disregarding controls and breaking laws in place at the time.

This Council utterly condemns the behaviour and actions seen in the video, which will be hugely offensive and hurtful to many people in Swansea who did the right thing, and obeyed the Covid rules in place at the time.

Obeying the rules and doing the right thing, meant people locally and nationally could not see relatives who were seriously ill, could not visit relatives in hospital or care homes for months, and could not get together with friends or family for Birthday celebrations or at Christmas.

This Council further condemn the honours list presented by disgraced Ex PM Boris Johnson and approved by current PM Rushi Sunak, which bestowed honours on at least two individuals seen breaking the law in the video.

This Council calls on the police to investigate the video and where breaches are proved to prosecute the individuals concerned

This Council also calls for anyone honoured by disgraced ex PM Boris Johnson, to be stripped of that honour if they have broken Covid rules.