SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO:	Council	DATE: 21 st April, 2015
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PART I FOR DECISION

MOTIONS SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL UNDER PROCEDURE RULE 14

The following motions have been received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14:-

A) <u>Reduction in Voting Age</u>

(Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Hussain)

"This Council resolves to:

- 1. Support the recent proposals to extend the franchise in all elections to 16 and 17 year olds as they are knowledgeable and passionate about the world in which they live and are as capable of engaging in the democratic system.
- 2. Ask our local MP and the current coalition government, and any government formed after May's election, to back the policy announced by the Labour Party, and extend the franchise in all elections to 16 and 17 year olds alongside strong citizenship education.
- 3. Recognise the important steps taken this year to establish a Youth Parliament and commit to working with them alongside Sloughs' schools and colleges to enhance citizenship education for all young people in Slough.
- 4. Continue working with community groups, faith organisations, residential associations, and other groups and people to make the electoral register as complete as possible."

B) Unlicensed House of Multiple Occupation Register

(Moved by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Strutton)

"This Council resolves to:

Respond to the acute shortage of housing in Slough by publishing a register of unlicensed House Multiple Occupation to safeguard the health and welfare of sitting, and future, occupants whilst regulating good quality self-contained units which will be self-financing by the extra council tax generated."

C) Funding Allocation Review - Bus Passes

(Moved by Councillor Coad, seconded by Councillor Mellor)

"This Council resolves that:

In the light of the impact that changes to bus passes and the removal of companion carers bus passes has had on working pensioners, volunteers and disabled people we call upon SBC to review funding allocation in order to address the hardship this has already caused."