

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Council **DATE:** 29th January 2026

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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) Labour Governments Fair Funding for Slough Borough Council

(Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Parmar)

“This Council resolves to:

1. Acknowledge the historic underfunding experienced by Slough Borough Council due to the previous Conservative and Lib Dem Coalition Government’s austerity programme despite the high level of deprivation within the town.
2. Welcome the decisive action taken by the Labour Government to restore local government funding levels and acknowledge that Slough Borough Council is expected to receive £86 million through the Fair Funding Grant, including £32 million in Revenue Support Grant over the three year settlement period.
3. Further acknowledge that, under the Labour Government, Slough’s funding settlements will deliver an additional £71.8 million over the next four years, making a 47% increase in funding and responding to clear local need.
4. Recommend to Cabinet to ensure this funding is targeting to supporting the most vulnerable residents and consider utilising this funding to reverse the planned reduction in the Council Tax Support Scheme for the 2026/27 financial year.”

B) Community Hubs and Assets

(Moved by Councillor Akram, seconded by Councillor W Sabah)

“Council notes:

1. That Slough Borough Council still operates and supports a number of community buildings and assets.
2. The Council’s Corporate Plan 2022-2025 included commitments to agree a new community hub model by September 2022 and to implement the agreed model by December 2023, and that this work has not been fully delivered.
3. That the Council’s Operational and Community Estate Strategy sets out an estate-based approach to community hubs, and that there is an opportunity to complement this with a clearer focus on outcomes and locality working.

4. That whilst initiatives like the Britwell Hub exist this only serves a single locality area.
5. That pressures and needs vary across different parts of the borough.
6. That community hubs can play an important role in prevention, early help and partnership working.

Council resolves:

1. To endorse the development of an outcome-focused community hub strategy for Slough. Focusing on areas like Cippenham, Central, Manor Park and Langley/ Colnbrook.
2. To request the Leader of the Council, in consultation with relevant Directors and Cabinet Member(s), to explore a locality-based approach to community hubs and assets.
3. To request that a report be brought to the councils Corporate Improvement Scrutiny committee within 12 months setting out progress, outcomes and any recommendations.
4. To recommend to Cabinet that it establishes a shared borough-wide outcomes framework to support consistency and performance monitoring.
5. To recommend to Cabinet that residents, ward councillors and voluntary and community sector partners are involved in the development and ongoing operation of community hubs.
6. To request that Cabinet reports on progress, early outcomes, financial implications and any recommendations on the community hub strategy within 12 months of this meeting.
7. To recommend to Cabinet ceasing of the sale and disposal of all community assets until a strategy and framework are established, to enable informed decision-making through data and evidence on whether the assets are surplus or non-operational."