

**COUNCIL
16 JULY 2026**

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TITLE OF REPORT: NOTICE OF MOTIONS

The following motion has been submitted, due notice of which has been given in accordance with Standing Order 4.8.12.

To be moved by Councillor Steve Jarvis and seconded by Councillor Ruth Brown.

Objection to the National Scheme of Delegation for Planning applications

Council regrets the decision of the government to introduce a "National Scheme of Delegation" for planning applications.

It believes that:

- a) Planning decisions should continue to be made by locally elected councillors rather than being increasingly determined by officers under national rules.
- b) the Secretary of State is being given excessive power to dictate council constitutions and planning procedures.

Council resolves:

To instruct the Leader of the Council to write to all North Herts MPs setting out these views.