

**North Tyneside Council
Report to Council
Date: 15 March 2012**

ITEM 8

**Title: Motion deferred
from Extraordinary
Council Meeting held on
9 February 2012**

At the second Extraordinary meeting of the Council held on 9 February 2012, consideration was given to a report which sought to explain matters related to the appointment to the post of Strategic Director of Strategic Services, as requested in a requisition signed by 5 Members of the Council.

During the course of the meeting, a vote of no confidence in the Elected Mayor and Chief Executive was moved and seconded.

The Chair requested that the full motion be provided in writing.

The Council was then advised that there was potential for defamation in relation to the proposed motion, and Council subsequently agreed to adjourn consideration of the matter to enable further advice to be obtained.

The Constitution provides that any decisions of full Council arising from a motion must comply with the principles of decision making, and that where the Chair of Council, in consultation with the Monitoring Officer, considers the motion can not comply with those principles, then the motion will stand adjourned to the next ordinary Council meeting. This is to enable information to be provided to ensure that any subsequent decision does comply with the principles of decision making.

The mover and seconder of the motion have now submitted an amended motion for Council's consideration. The wording of the motion is as follows:

'That this Council has no confidence in the Mayor and the Chief Executive'.