

**North Tyneside Council  
Report to Council  
Date: 23 March 2017**

**ITEM 9**

**Title: Motions**

Notice has been received of the following motions from Members of the Council to be put to the Council meeting.

**Motion 1 signed by Councillors Peter Earley, Matthew Thirlaway and Wendy Lott.**

Council notes:

Due to recent changes to legislation, victims of domestic abuse now have to provide a piece of evidence – such as a GP's letter, which can incur a cost of upto £175, to prove the abuse before they can access legal aid.

Council calls upon the Mayor to:

Write to the Prime Minister calling upon her to scrap the unjust fee in seeking such evidence.

**Motion 2 signed by Councillors Carl Johnson, Andy Newman and Anthony McMullen.**

Council notes:

The sustainable development of Newcastle International Airport plays a crucial role in our efforts to re-balance the economy and to support new business growth.

The disappointing lack of a plan to find a solution for regional airports in the Budget is a matter of concern.

Council Calls upon the Mayor to:

Write to the chancellor setting out our concerns asking him to commit to finding a solution to protect regional airports from a cut to Airport Duty in Scotland.