

## **Amendment to the Motion: Removing Oldham Borough from Places for Everyone**

**To be moved by Councillor Hince**

**Seconded by: Councillor Navesey**

**This council recognises that **is concerned about:****

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- It would see the irreparable loss of Green Belt sites and green spaces which is not necessary.
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**This council resolves to:**

- ~~1. Request the new Secretary of State to revoke the Plan 'Places for Everyone' in the interest of all Oldham's residents, businesses and other stake holders for the reasons stated above.~~

### **(The deletion of Paragraph 1 covers the altered Motion)**

~~2. In order for Council to consider this decision at its next meeting in September, the relevant council officers are requested to present a full report on the planning, legal, equalities and all other considerations of such a revocation.~~

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2. On the back of the workshop, request the relevant council officers to present a thorough and full report to Council in November 2024 to inform a decision on writing to the new Secretary of State to revoke PfE insofar as it relates to the Borough of Oldham.
3. Should the request be approved Oldham Council' withdraw engagement and support for the defence of the judicial review of 'Places for Everyone'.
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