This Council supports the implementation of the Sustainable Communities Act 2007 and welcomes the opportunity under the Act to make proposals to Government for changes in legislation to enable local authorities more effectively to address local issues.

This Council is committed to promoting sustainable communities in the City and listening to local people about the issues that impact on social, economic and environmental wellbeing of their communities.

This Council resolves to:-

- (i) consult with local people through Area Committees;
- (ii) submit proposals to Government by 31 July 2009 for changes in legislation to enable local authorities better to address issues such as:
- litter and fly posting;
- properties detrimental to the amenity of the neighbourhood;
- the introduction of new houses in multiple occupation (shared houses) and the management and condition of these homes.
- (iii) develop further proposals under the Act for future rounds as communities identify other central government legislative and policy changes which could benefit them.

## **COUNCILLOR J URQUHART**