

NOTICE OF MOTION

COUNCIL MEETING – 16 JANUARY 2025

Moved by: Councillor Doolin

Seconded by: Councillor Halsall

Government's Betrayal of WASPI Women

This council deplores the decision of the Government to withdraw all proposed support, as recommended by the Parliamentary Ombudsman report on this topic, to the estimated 3.5 million affected women across the UK. This will directly impact up to 10,000 WASPI women across Sefton.

This council notes the WASPI campaign sought compensation for each affected woman and that the campaign has strongly condemned this decision.

This council condemns in the strongest possible terms the Government's decision to refuse to implement the recommendations of the Parliamentary Ombudsman who proposed compensation of between £1,000 and £2,950 be paid to affected women who missed out on pension entitlement.

This council agrees that it is time for the Labour party at all levels, local, national and in government to deliver on the promises they have been making to the WASPI campaign for so many years.

Council therefore commits to:

The Leader of the Council writing to the Work and Pensions Secretary, Liz Kendall expressing our shock and opposition to the Government's decision to deny compensation in line with the Ombudsman's recommendation and ask them to reconsider in the interest of fairness and justice.