



Motion to Midlothian Council

7<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Midlothian Council believes that the right to maternity and paternity leave for elected members is unclear under current legislation and guidance.

Furthermore, believes that a lack of such clarity and relevant policy can be a barrier to people engaging in local government and standing for local elections and recognises the positive contributions that parents make as elected members.

Council will therefore instruct the Director of Resources to work with elected members and to lobby COSLA to put in place policy guidance which takes forward positive steps to address this.



Cllr Kelly Parry



Cllr Debbi McCall