

# Midlothian Council Labour Group



**Midlothian Council 13 August 2013**

## **Notice of Motion**

Midlothian Council notes the suffering forced upon local residents as a result of Government cuts, and asserts that there is an alternative to ideologically driven attacks on public services – namely the levy of a Financial Transaction Tax (FTT) on the speculative activities that have accelerated the recent enrichment of the few, to the detriment of the many.

Council therefore agrees to write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer calling on him to enact the FTT and use the revenues from this measure to reverse the ongoing cuts to public services.

Council also agrees to write to the Shadow Chancellor and the Scottish Finance Minister to seek their views on this proposal.

Moved

Councillor Bryan Pottinger

Seconded

Councillor Alex Bennett