

Midlothian Council

Labour Group



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Tuesday 27 September 2016

Notice of Motion

At a meeting of the Council's Performance and Scrutiny Committee held on Tuesday 7th September, when discussing a report from the Head of Adult Social Services on a Scottish Government cut to funding for the Mid and East Lothian Drug and Alcohol Project (MELDAP), Councillor Joe Wallace launched an unwarranted and highly inappropriate attack on veterans.

Council believes that this directly contradicts his role as Veteran's Champion which requires the post holder to actively promote the welfare of our veterans and consequently makes his position as Veteran's Champion and indeed Provost completely untenable.

Therefore Council agrees that

- 1 Councillor Wallace is no longer fit to continue in his role as Veteran's Champion and he should resign with immediate effect;
- 2 His role as Provost, given the ceremonial responsibilities of that post, particularly in relation to armed forces based in Midlothian, is also untenable and he should resign as Provost with immediate effect;
- 3 If Councillor Wallace fails to acknowledge these points and resign from both roles voluntarily, Council removes him from both posts with immediate effect.

Moved



Councillor Derek Milligan

Seconded



Councillor Jim Muirhead