

**Council: Tuesday 19 October 2021**  
**Amendment to Opposition Motion: Cllr Sara Conway**  
**Reinstate the universal credit uplift**

**Delete all and replace with (additions in bold, no deletions):**

Council notes the cruel decision by this Conservative Government to press ahead with the removal of the £20 a week universal credit uplift for those hard-pressed and working families struggling to make ends meet during a cost-of-living crisis and before we have fully emerged from the pandemic.

Council notes that, according to the latest Government figures, it will cost an estimated 37,898 people in Barnet £1,040 a year each - which is a potential loss of £39,413,920 to the local economy.

Council asks all Barnet's councillors to defend the 37,898 residents and the local economy from this cut by agreeing to jointly lobby the Government to reinstate the uplift.

**Council asks the Chief Executive to write to the relevant Government Ministers, on behalf of all Barnet's councillors, asking them to reinstate the universal credit uplift.**