

Meeting	Full Council
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Report Title	Councillor Motion
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COUNCILLOR MOTION

To consider the following motion from Councillors Pete Cousins, Declan Baseley, James Bradbury, Gemma Grimes, Angie Litvak-Watson, Nick Murry, David Poole, Chris Ruck, Matthew Short and Myla Watts.

In order to help Chippenham residents through this difficult time we propose the following:

1. That the Chief Executive is requested to write to the Chief Executive of Wiltshire, requesting that Wiltshire Council consider the setting up of 'warm rooms', for Chippenham residents. We believe that Chippenham Town Council should request that they allocate space at the Olympiad, Monkton Park Offices and the Library, which will be available to Chippenham residents as places to sit and keep warm during the forthcoming autumn and winter.

2. We would also request that Full Council consider making the reception area within the Town Hall available for residents during the day, as a place to sit and keep warm, delegating the detail of how this is delivered to the Chief Executive.

Background

Over past months residents of Chippenham have been hit with a large increase in the cost of living. Food costs, housing cost and energy costs have risen rapidly leaving many Chippenham residents having to make difficult decisions, in some cases having to choose between heating their homes or buying food and other essentials.

We feel these actions will go some way towards demonstrating to Chippenham residents that the Town Council is on their side and helping to support them through these times of potential great difficulty.