

LABOUR PARTY AMENDMENT TO MOTION:

Proposed by Councillor Scordis and seconded by Councillor Henderson.

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