
SPECIAL MOTION NO. 5 – FALSE STATEMENTS

Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Michael Cartwright
- (ii) Councillor Stephen Cowan

“This Council calls upon Councillor Greenhalgh to stop allowing his Administration to mislead residents and the media on the amount of affordable housing provided by his administration and insist that all information is double checked and is true before being released.

The facts are as follows. Firstly, this Council does not build homes. It has granted planning permissions for housing associations to build homes. In November 2009 the council's Chief Executive wrote to Councillor Stephen Cowan to respond to a query about the figures being quoted.

When responding to a question about this Administration's lack of commitment to affordable rented housing, Mr Alltimes wrote to confirm that of the 870 home "built or are anticipated to be built" none would be built by H&F Homes or the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham. Indeed, 723 of the 870 affordable rented homes being claimed had been given planning permission by previous Labour administrations between 2001 and March 2006 - with most of those being opposed by the Conservatives at the time. And, out of the remaining 147 homes, 104 of those were forced on this Conservative Administration by Ken Livingston when he was Mayor of London.

The Conservative leader David Cameron has also mislead our residents by repeating this false information”.