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## **SPECIAL MOTION NO. 5 – ROUGH SLEEPERS**

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Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Stephen Cowan
- (ii) Councillor Lisa Homan

“This Council notes the rough sleepers figures released on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2013 by the Combined Homelessness and Information Network. Those detail how rough sleeping in London has risen by 62 per cent in two years. It further notes that 6,437 people slept on the streets of London last year which is a 13 per cent rise on the previous year.

The council recognises the unique physical and mental health issues that plague the vast majority of rough sleepers and agrees to review how it can better co-ordinate support between the health, police, NGOs and the council’s homeless support services.

Furthermore, the Council will work with the London Mayor and other agencies to do everything reasonably possible to support people out of the crisis that has led them to sleep on London’s streets and so to drastically reverse this trend.”