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## SPECIAL MOTION NO. 11 – HOUSING

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Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Andrew Johnson
- (ii) Councillor Harry Phibbs

“That this Council notes the successful record of the Conservative administration in seeking to ‘Build a Borough of Housing Opportunity’ through:

- The introduction of a new, fairer, and more transparent, allocations policy which gives greater priority to those eligible people who work or make a community contribution, which prevents those would-be applicants earning over £40,200 from joining the register, which introduces a minimum five year local connection criteria and which prevents those people not eligible for social housing from joining the register at all;
- Fixed-term tenancies within the Borough, allowing the Council as a landlord to make better use of its housing stock and provide a flexible approach to delivering a housing options service;
- A revised HomeBuy register of nearly 6000 for those who live or work in the borough who have a household income of up to £66,000pa, where top priority is given to existing council and housing association tenants, members of the armed forces and police officers, and
- The successful lobbying of Government to increase the maximum Right to Buy discount to £100,000 and the proposals to introduce the Right to Buy Part which is supported by the Mayor of London in the draft London Housing Strategy 2013.

That this Council resolves to expand homeownership opportunities for local residents by:

- Continuing to work with public and private bodies to deliver thousands of new homes in the Old Oak Common, White City and Earl’s Court Opportunity Areas;
- Increasing the supply of new housing for low cost homeownership using council land and assets;
- Allowing higher earning tenants to be able to convert to a form of low cost homeownership at the end of their fixed-term tenancy;
- Enabling a greater proportion of council tenants to own part of their own home through shared ownership including Right to Part Buy, a deposit fund or disposal under a Discount Market Sale (DMS) model, and
- Creating tenure forms such as Discount Market Rent to enable would be homeowners to save for a deposit to purchase a DMS unit, thereby creating a cycle of housing opportunity.”