## **SPECIAL MOTION NO. 7 – SQUATTING**

Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Harry Phibbs
- (ii) Councillor Greg Smith

This Council:

- 1. Notes recent difficulties over squatters in the borough on non-residential and public land.
- 2. Welcomes the fact that squatting has been made a criminal offence on residential land and buildings.
- 3. Calls on the Government to extend the law to make it a criminal offence on non-residential and local authority land as well and thus avoid the delay involved in civil proceedings during which time the police are unable to act.