

## COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER 2025

### ITEM 7 - MOTIONS

Following publication of the motion on the agenda, a slight change to the wording has been requested from Councillor M Wyatt. The changes are detailed below:

Council notes the recent announcement by Keir Starmer's Labour Government of plans to introduce a mandatory Digital ID scheme for all UK residents.

Council further notes that the Government's plan:

- Could require every resident to obtain a Digital ID to access public services and entitlements;
- Could risk criminalising millions of people, particularly older people, those on lower incomes, or those without access to digital technology;
- Raises significant privacy and civil liberties concerns;
- Could result in billions of pounds of taxpayers' money being wasted on a massive IT project, with no clear benefit or safeguards.

Council believes that Labour's scheme:

- Represents an expensive measure that will undermine public trust;
- Will do nothing to address the real priorities facing communities such as NHS backlogs, cost of living crisis, etc;
- Fails to protect our core British values of liberty, privacy and fairness.
- Do very little to address the threat from illegal immigration and illegal working with the UK.

Council resolves:

- To formally oppose the Labour Government's Digital ID plans;
- To request the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive write to: The Home Secretary ~~for the Home Department~~; the local Members of Parliament representing North West Leicestershire and the Minister for Digital Infrastructure expressing this council's firm opposition to Labour's mandatory Digital ID system and calling for the plans to be scrapped.