

MOTION UNDER SECTION 10 OF PART 4 (RULES OF PROCEDURE) THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

Motor Neurone Disease Association's MND Charter

Motor Neurone Disease (MND) is a rapidly progressive disease that affects the brain and spinal cord. It can leave people locked in a failing body, unable to move, unable to talk and eventually unable to breathe.

A person's lifetime risk of developing MND is up to 1 in 300. It can affect people from all communities and backgrounds. This disease kills around 30% of people within 12 months of diagnosis and more than 50% within two years. It affects people from all communities.

Currently there is no cure to MND

It is noted that Councils, Health Boards and other public bodies are being urged to sign up to the Motor Neuron Disease Association's MND Charter, which aims to make a positive difference to the lives of people with MND and their carers. The MND Charter is a statement of the respect, care and support that people living with MND and their carers deserve, and should expect.

A copy of the MND Charter is set out in the below document:

<https://www.mndassociation.org/app/uploads/2016/02/champion-the-mnd-charter-full.pdf>

Accordingly, this Council believes:

- 1) People with MND have the right to an early diagnoses and information.
- 2) People with MND have the right to access quality care and treatments.
- 3) People with MND have the right to be treated as individuals and with dignity and respect.
- 4) People with MND have the right to maximise their quality of life.
- 5) Carers of people with MND have the right to be valued, respected, listened to and well-supported.

It is resolved that the Council shall sign up to the Motor Neurone Disease Association's MND Charter and to commit to promoting its aims and aspirations in our work.

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