

Council – 18 July 2024

Motion 8b

Council Procedure Rule 26 – Alteration of motion – deleted text ~~struckthrough~~, additional text underlined.

Councillor Payne – Sewage Pollution in our water

Council notes the public outrage displayed in the general election about the pollution of rivers, waterways and beaches by sewage - an outrage which is shared locally in relation to the River Cam.

With the last government having been unwilling to take convincing measures to address this, council calls on the new government now to treat this as a priority for action, including introduction of criminal liability of water companies and suspension of executive bonuses for failure to meet performance targets.

Council requests the Chief Executive to write to the new Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ~~seeking~~ welcoming the inclusion of legislation with this intent ~~to appear~~ in the very first King's Speech, and to both of Cambridge's MPs asking them to support this.