

Parliamentary Motion tabled by Peter Peacock Scottish Labour MSP for the Highlands and Islands in the Scottish Parliament (February 2008)

Cuts in Highland Council services

That the Parliament deplores the cuts in vital council and voluntary sector services being made by Highland Council as a result of the priorities for spending of the SNP Government; notes these cuts are taking place at a time when the Scottish Government has the largest budget for public services since devolution and twice that Donald Dewar had only a few short years ago; further notes in particular that Highland Council plans to build up financial reserves while cutting services and shedding jobs and questions whether the single outcome agreement with Highland Council to deliver SNP manifesto commitments will now do so, in particular with regard to class size reductions, and urges the SNP government and SNP/Independent led Highland Council to reverse the planned cuts.

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