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**Dear Chief Executive** 

## **WINTER FUEL PAYMENTS**

At a recent meeting of West Lothian Council, a notice of motion in the undernoted terms was approved.

"West Lothian Council notes with concern the announcement that the Tory/Lib Dem Government are considering cutting the value of payments and the number of people eligible for the Winter Fuel Allowance despite the Conservatives promising before the General Election that they would protect the Winter Fuel Allowance.

West Lothian Council further notes that the value of the Winter Fuel Payment may be reduced by as much as £100.00 in the UK Government Comprehensive Spending Review this October and the qualifying age raised from 60 to 66.

West Lothian Council therefore agrees to write to the West Lothian Members of Parliament, all other Scottish Local Authorities and the Chancellor of the Exchequer calling for the ConDem Government to abandon their proposals for cutting the Winter Fuel Payment".

I would be grateful if you could arrange for your Council to consider the terms of the motion.

Yours sincerely

Alex Linkston
Chief Executive









