

## **Motion for Full Council, 29 January 2020: Brexit**

This Council notes that the people of this Loyal and Ancient Borough voted in 2016 by a majority of 43,457 votes to 25,477 votes, to leave the European Union.

This Council:

1. Welcomes the passage of the Withdrawal Agreement by our elected representatives, with the support of all four MPs representing the Borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme.
2. Welcomes the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the EU on 31 January, with no extension of an implementation period beyond the end of this year.
3. Expects the Government to deliver on its manifesto commitments: to create a UK Shared Prosperity Fund to match the "grants" made by the EU from a fraction of the UK taxpayers' contribution to the EU budget; to replace those EU programmes with fairer programmes better tailored to our economy; and to make a success of the whole UK with a particular focus on the most disadvantaged in our society.
4. Looks forward to our borough sharing fully in the opportunities presented by Brexit.

This Council asks the Leader to write to the Prime Minister:

1. To thank him for his swift action ending the delay and uncertainty regarding the UK's withdrawal from the EU
2. To request that our residents, businesses and partners should all benefit from promised funds to promote prosperity and improve infrastructure, in line with the Council's corporate priority, "Growing our People and Places".

Proposed: Cllr Andrew Fear and

Seconded: Cllr Mark Holland