

COUNCIL

12 DECEMBER 2012

NOTICE OF MOTION

Dementia

This Chamber notes that nationally:

- **There are currently 820,000 sufferers of Dementia in England and Wales;**
- **That Dementia is the fastest growing illness for over 65's with 163,000 new cases in England and Wales each year;**
- **1 in 3 people over 65 will die with a form of dementia;**
- **As many as half of dementia sufferers are unaware they have the condition;**
- **The financial cost of dementia to the UK will be over £23 billion in 2012;**
- **There are 670,000 carers of people with dementia in the UK**

(Source – AlzheimersResearch.org)

This Chamber notes that in Bury:-

- **In 2011 there were 2074 sufferers of dementia in the Borough;**
- **Over the next 20 years this figure is likely to increase by 50%.**

This Council resolves:-

- **That the issue of accurate diagnosis, care and support for sufferers of dementia and their families is not a party political issue.**
- **That Bury will aspire to become the first "Dementia Friendly" Borough in Greater Manchester in line with the "Prime Minister's Challenge of Dementia" promoting:-**
 - **Awareness of the condition and dispelling the myth that it is the inevitable consequence of aging**
 - **Working with the Bury CCG and Health and Wellbeing Board to increase the rate of people screened and diagnosed with a form of dementia**

- **Supporting dementia sufferers and their carers by creating a Dementia Action Alliance comprised of public, voluntary and independent sector partners with a view to training 50 members of the community to become “Dementia Friends” in Bury.**

In the names of Councillors A Audin, K Audin, D Bailey, M Bailey, N Bayley, J Black, S Briggs, P Bury, G Campbell, S Carter, D M Cassidy, J Columbine, M Connolly, A J Cummings, E FitzGerald L Fitzwalter, J Frith, S Haroon, P Heneghan, T Holt, A Isherwood, M A James, D Jones, J S Lewis, A K Matthews, N A Parnell, A Quinn, K Rothwell, R Shori, A Simpson, S Smith, J Smith, S Southworth, T Tariq and S Walmsley.