

### **Labour amendment to motion 3.**

Proposed by Councillor Bell

“Further to the motion this Council calls on the Mayor and his administration to urgently review their tall buildings policy in light of the massive development given planning permission at ‘The Range site’ in St Albans Road last year and other developments in Clarendon Road and Ascot Road which will dramatically change the skyline and character of Watford for ever!

We are also calling on the Mayor and his Cabinet to urgently reinforce their affordable housing policy of 35% affordable homes for every application of 10 or above units and to not allow developers to get round this by using the ‘affordable rooms’ get out again the Council should look to increase the social rented quota in any affordable homes policy.

It is right that we should as a united Watford Council here across Party strongly criticise the Conservative Government’s plans to steamroller local planning democracy, and resist any attempt to take away our rights of scrutinising and questioning developers as they are given the green light to cram as many units into such small space which will make our town one of the most overdeveloped and densely crammed boroughs in the Country which we must strive to resist on behalf of all our residents.”