# **Full Council**

## 29 MARCH 2023

# Amendment 1 to Notice of Motion 1 – Motion Opposing London ULEZ Expansion

Mover Councillor Jones and Seconder Councillor Y Khan

(The new words are in **Red Bold** and words Purple and crossed through are proposed to be removed)

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The charge is levied from midnight to midnight, meaning that non-exempt vehicles entering the zone in the evening and exiting after midnight would be charged £25 for one trip to anywhere in London.

Many Crawley residents have a need to travel by car to outer London Boroughs for a variety of purposes, including work and specialist hospital appointments. Residents on lower incomes are more likely to own older vehicles that are not exempt from paying the ULEZ charge.

#### This Council resolves:

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