

## CONSERVATIVE AMENDMENT

### ITEM 11(1) NOTICE OF MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR A. CHAMBERS

"This Council notes:

1. In the year ending March 2020, there were around 46,000 (selected) offences involving a knife or sharp instrument in England and Wales.
2. 293 knife or sharp instrument offences recorded by police in Gloucestershire between 2021 and 2022
- ~~3. The ONS reported that more than 46,000 offences involving knives or sharp instruments were recorded by police in the year ending March 2020.~~
3. Gloucester city has a growing young population and ~~has witnessed an increase of violent crime in recent years involving knives and sharp objects~~ **who we must educate in relation to the dangers of knife crime.**
4. One of the most recent incidents at the time of submitting this motion involved a teenager who suffered a significant knife wound after being stabbed in at a Gym at our Gloucester Docks.
5. Tackling knife crime and violence is a key priority for the Council which requires a whole system approach. This is addressed not just by Gloucester City Council, but in partnership with other key agencies such as the Gloucestershire Police, Police Crime Commissioner **Commissioner**, public health and wider partners in the County Council.
- ~~6. Gloucester City Council Community well being team is committed to investigate the effectiveness of bleed control kits in saving lives and to assess the first aid training available in schools and will make a recommendation to the Community Safety Partnership on the intervention for consideration of inclusion in its Action Plan.~~

This Council believes:

1. That every measure needs to be taken to save the lives of victims of violent knife crime. ~~and congratulates The Ramarni Trust for its work in promoting the use and~~ **This Council thanks all groups who work tirelessly in our city to support this goal and the** installation of Bleed Control Kits around the City.
- ~~2. The Ramarni Trust was established by his family after Ramarni was stabbed to death in December 2021.~~
2. A Bleed Control Kit is a small critical injury pack which contains specialised dressings, a tourniquet, instructions and other specialised medical supplies designed to stop or control the severe bleeding that often follows when someone is stabbed.
3. The public access kits are designed to be used by non-emergency personnel in much the same way that heart defibrillators ('shock machines') specifically designed for use by those with no First Aid training are becoming a common sight in Gloucester and the UK.
4. ~~While we still need an effective~~ **That provision of the kits alone will not provide real change. Stakeholders should work on a** Public Health approach to reduce the catastrophe that is knife crime, ~~Bleed Control Kits can be another way to treat victims.~~

This Council resolves:

1. To direct support the Community Wellbeing team to work with ~~The Ramarni Trust~~ **all community groups who are trying to combat knife crime**, the NHS, Gloucestershire Police Service and the South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust to develop the best strategy for the deployment of Bleed Control Kits across the City of Gloucester.
2. To seek sponsorship of Bleed Control Kits from commercial partners to reduce costs of purchase and installation go Bleed Control Cabinets.
3. To ~~work with~~ **support lobbying Gloucestershire County Council and NHS Foundation Trust to** introduce First Aid training into every Gloucester City secondary schools and

colleges classroom in the City of Gloucester to assess the first aid training that is available and to increase which would include the potential benefits of any using Bleed Control Kits that have to be used.

4. To publicly thank Ramarnis Family **all community groups** for their tireless efforts in memory of Ramarni to establish The Ramarni Trust and hope that their good work saves many lives **tackling knife crime in the city of Gloucester.**
5. For City Council licencing team to investigate making Bleed control cabinets a licence condition at Gloucester City **recommendation to licensees as part of the local Gloucester licencing policy for licenced premises in the city.**
6. For City Council licencing team to investigate making a trained Bleed control responder **(trained in how to apply a tourniquet)** a licence condition at Gloucester City licenced premises who has been trained how to specifically apply a tourniquet **recommendation to licensees as part of the local Gloucester licencing policy for licenced premises."**