

Notice of Motion

Motion to be moved by Councillor Wareing:

This Council strongly condemns the Government's plans to introduce a mandatory digital ID scheme and notes that after being used in World War 2 compulsory ID cards were abolished in 1952 because of the widespread sentiment that they are fundamentally at odds with British values and civil liberties.

Council believes that in Hull the sentiment was true then and is true today.

Council further believes any mandatory ID scheme would fundamentally reverse the nature of citizens' relationship with the state and risk turning Britain into a checkpoint society.

Council is deeply concerned such a scheme would usher in a new era of mass surveillance that would enable a range of other privacy violations, put vast troves of sensitive personal data at high risk of cyberattacks and data breaches and contribute to the digital exclusion of marginalised groups in the city.

Further notes that a majority of the UK public do not trust the Government to keep digital ID data secure.

Council asks for a letter to be sent by the Leaders of all groups on the Council to the Government asking for proposals on compulsory ID card proposals to be scrapped.

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