

Statement to Full Council 14 Nov, 2013

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I am here representing myself as an independent, former user of CAB, in my own capacity. CAB has no idea what I will be presenting here.

It does not need a psychotherapist like me to see that this Cabinet particularly and other councillors generally, did not go into politics to collude in the dismantling of our culture. It must hurt.

I choose to respect this cabinet as being composed of talented and principled people who want to do the right thing. And I believe you will have anticipated a backlash and have access to contingency or other funds so the diabolical choices between public toilets, Children's Centres and Citizens Advice Bureau can at least be postponed.

Time is what we need in hopes that the political landscape might change and present different choices. I think you have the skill, good judgement and practical ability to do that. If so, we will support you. You are surrounded by people, people who would uphold you, sustain and defend you, with voices to point the way.

In the next very brief only 35 seconds of my allotted time here, you have the opportunity to listen to a different way of expressing this for 35 seconds. Please bear with us. Hear us.

Keep our C-A-B,  
Save our C-A-B,  
Fund our C-A-B toda-a-a-a-ay.  
O-o-oh free and for all,  
Port in the storm,  
Fund our C-A-B **TODAY!**