



Leicester  
City Council

**MINUTE  
EXTRACT**

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

Held: THURSDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2007 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Mugglestone – Chair  
Councillor J. Blackmore – Vice Chair

Councillor Bajaj	Councillor Dawood
Councillor Follett	Councillor Naylor
Councillor Newcombe	Councillor Suleman

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Mr Mohammed Alauddin Al-Azad - Parent Governor (Primary / Special Needs)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Blower – Task Group Leader, Children Schools and Young People  
Councillor Hall – Task Group Leader, Community Cohesion and Safety

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**46. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were asked to declare any interests that they may have in the business on the agenda, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applied to them.

Councillor Blower declared a personal interest in Appendix C, 'Education Inclusion' as her son had Special Educational Needs and that she had previously dealt with the department on this issue. She noted that despite the fact that she was not a Board Member and that the interest wasn't prejudicial, she undertook to take no part in the discussion.

Councillor Dawood declared a personal interest in Appendix C, 'Education Inclusion' as he worked at Connexions.

## **62. PETITION - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING COLEMAN ROAD**

The Service Director, Regeneration, Highways and Transportation submitted a report in response to a petition presented to the Highways and Transportation Scrutiny Committee by Councillor Draycott on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2006 requesting the City Council to provide some form of pedestrian crossing facility on Coleman Road near to Saltersford Road.

The Section Manager, Transport Development commented on the report saying that officers agreed with the petitioners, that a crossing was needed but the proposal would be fourteenth on the priority list of justified crossing cases and there was no guarantee of funding in the next financial year or the following year. It would require a cabinet decision to support this proposal.

Councillor Draycott, speaking as ward Councillor addressed the Committee. She expressed disappointment at the length of time taken for the report to come back to a Committee. She commented that the petitioners would be pleased with the view expressed in the report in support of a crossing. She felt it was disappointing that the request was fourteenth on the list, particularly in view of the long wait to reach this stage. She hoped it would be done as soon as possible and requested a copy of the list of priority cases to explain to petitioners what the situation was.

The Chair suggested that Cabinet review the priority list for pedestrian crossings.

Members of the Board also asked to see a copy of the list of priority cases. The Section Manager, Transport Development commented that he was happy to do this. He did however note that the priority list was based, in part on evidence of traffic accidents and that there were clear reasons why each case was on the list at a certain point.

Members of the Board also expressed disappointment at the length of time taken to respond to the petition.

Councillor Draycott also informed the Board that a report would be coming forward in the near future which proposed a way of recording and monitoring petitions, which would be overseen by this Board. The Board welcomed this.

### **RESOLVED:**

- (1) that the Cabinet be requested to review the list of priority of justified crossing cases; and
- (2) that concern be expressed to Cabinet at the length of time taken to respond to the petition.