



Leicester
City Council

MINUTES EXTRACT

Minutes of the Meeting of the HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: WEDNESDAY 09 JANUARY 2002 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Bhatti - Chair
Councillor Metcalfe - Liberal Democrat Spokesperson
Councillor Thompson - Conservative Spokesperson

Councillor Connelly
Councillor Honiball

Councillor Maw
Councillor Newitt

In accordance with Rule 7 of the Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules the following members attended the meeting and, with the sanction of the Committee, spoke on the items indicated but did not vote thereon: -

Councillor Mrs. Chambers – Minute 46 (Petition – Advance Direction Sign, Lutterworth Road)

Councillor Dunphy – Minute 45 (Petition – Traffic Calming, Glenhills Boulevard)

Councillor Garrity – Minute 48 (Proposed bus shelter outside 119 Carisbrooke Rd)

Councillor Pritchard – Minute 48 (Proposed bus shelter outside 119 Carisbrooke Rd)

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38. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

The following members disclosed a personal interest in Minute 46 (Petition – Advance Direction Sign, Lutterworth Road) on the grounds that they had been contacted by one of the objectors to the proposal: -

Councillors Bhatti, Honiball, Mrs Maw and Thompson.

46. PETITION - ADVANCE DIRECTION SIGN, LUTTERWORTH ROAD

The Director of Environment, Development and Commercial Services submitted a report in response to a petition sent to the Traffic Group by a member of the public, asking for an immediate halt to the erection of a new traffic sign at the junction of Monsell Drive and the A426 Lutterworth

Road.

The Committee were informed that there had been a large number of representations from local residents, opposing the erection of the sign at the junction of Monsell Drive and Lutterworth Road and suggesting that the sign be relocated to a site nearer the Middleton Street junction.

The Committee were informed that the Government had issued regulations regarding the siting of direction and information signs, the proposed site at Monsell Drive was the optimum in accordance with these regulations. To locate the sign further away from the Glenhills Way/Soar Valley Road junction would contravene the Government guidelines, in fact the suggested site put forward by the objectors, Plantation Avenue, would be some three times further away from the junction than that recommend by the Government.

The Committee sympathised with the objections raised by residents of Monsell Drive and suggested that officers undertake a further review of the siting of the advance direction signing on Lutterworth Road to include full consultation with Ward Councillors and local residents. The review report to be referred to Cabinet with the full review and consultation findings:

RESOLVED:

- i) that the comments of the Scrutiny Committee be conveyed to the Director of Environment, Development and Commercial Services to ensure that a further review of the site of the advance direction sign is carried out.
- ii) that the full review and consultation findings be referred to Cabinet with a request that they consider the siting of the advance direction sign.