

Minutes of the Meeting of the HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: THURSDAY, 19 JUNE 2003 at 5.30pm

### PRESENT:

Councillor Draycott - Chair
Councillor Smith - Liberal Democrat Spokesperson
Councillor Allen - Conservative Spokesperson

Councillor Almey
Councillor Getliffe

Councillor Karim
Councillor Shelton

## Also in Attendance

Christine Cronogue - Leicester Federation of Tenants' Associations Invitee – Mrs. Robinson – Leicester Housing Association Liaison Group

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#### 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Councillor Draycott declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Minute 9 – 'Rent Restructuring - Impact on Leicester', because she was related to a tenant of a Council house property.

Councillors Getliffe and Smith, and Christine Cronogue, declared personal and prejudicial interests in Minute 9 -'Rent Restructuring – Impact on Leicester' because they were tenants of Council house properties.

Members were advised that the prejudicial interests did not apply under the provisions of the Model Code of Conduct Paragraph 10(d), and therefore, these Councillors and Mrs Cronogue remained in the meeting, and took part in the discussion of the items.

# 13. PETITION RELATING TO PARKING ON MONMOUTH DRIVE, EYRES MONSELL ESTATE

The Corporate Director of Housing submitted a report prepared in response to a petition with 15 signatures, received from residents of Monmouth Drive, in the following terms:-

"Parking on Green - Residents of Monmouth Drive".

The report explained that there had been ongoing problems with visitors to the Rolleston School, and users of the Rolleston Centre, parking on the road and existing parking bays at Monmouith Drive, necessitating residents to park on the grass verges. The road was also very narrow, which left the flow of traffic very congested at peak times, in particular during school hours.

Officers confirmed that the petitioners had been contacted, and advised that currently there were building works being undertaken in the area which had resulted in an increase of on-road parking. Once the work was completed, there would be parking provision provided for users within the Rolleston Centre grounds, which should resolve the congestion.

Members were asked to note that no guarantee could be given to provide parking directly outside a property for sole use of tenants and residents in the area.

#### RESOLVED:

- 1) that the action taken by the Housing Department be noted ;
- 2) that the situation be monitored; and
- 3) that the Cabinet be informed that the Scrutiny Committee would like to see funding provided for additional lay-bys in that area.