



Leicester
City Council

MINUTE
EXTRACT

Minutes of the Meeting of the
FINANCE, RESOURCES AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: THURSDAY, 26 JUNE 2003 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Bhatti - Chair
Councillor Mrs. Middleton - Conservative Spokesperson
Councillor Karim – Liberal Democrat Spokesperson

Councillor Draycott
Councillor Renold

Councillor Garrity
Councillor Willmott

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1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were requested to declare any interests that they may have in the business to be discussed and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Act 1992 applied to them.

There were no declarations of interest.

16. EDUCATION CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2003/04

The Chief Finance Officer submitted a report seeking the views of the Committee on that part of the Education capital programme that is reliant upon funding from the Governments Single Capital Pot.

Concern was expressed regarding Cabinet proposals to reinstate money into the Highways maintenance programme if this was at the expense of the education capital programme. It was proposed that the Committee express their concern to Cabinet, and the relevant Cabinet member be invited to the next meeting of the Committee in order to discuss his views on hypothecation of the capital programme.

The Committee also discussed the style of reports that were being submitted to Scrutiny and suggested that possible themes for each meeting be investigated. It was agreed that suggestions would be discussed at monthly meetings with Officers and the three party spokespersons.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the Committee express their concern to

Cabinet that changes should not be made to the education capital programme in order to fund the highways capital programme;

- (2) that the relevant Cabinet member be invited to discuss his views on the Cabinet's request to consider hypothecation of the capital programme; and
- (3) that thought be given to a more thematic style of reports to be considered at Scrutiny Committee meetings.