## MINUTES EXTRACT



# Extract of the minutes of the Meeting of the HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: THURSDAY,9 OCTOBER 2003 at 5.30 pm

### PRESENT:

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

Councillor Almey Councillor Corrall
Councillor Karim Councillor Shelton

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#### 34 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.

The following personal and prejudicial interests were declared in Minute 45 - CCTV Progress Report.

Councillor Corrall - related to tenant of a Council property Councillor Draycott related to tenant of a Council property Councillor Shelton - tenant of Council property Councillor Smith - tenant of Council property

Members were advised that the interests did not apply under the provisions of the Model Code of Conduct, Paragraph 10(d),and therefore these Councillors could remain in the meeting, and take part in discussion on these items.

#### 43. MULTI DISCIPLINARY CENTRE

The Corporate Director of Housing submitted a report detailing the scheme for a purpose-built Multi Disciplinary Centre to be situated on Conduit Street, Leicester, provision for which had previously been approved by Cabinet within the Capital Programme.

The report explained that the scheme would provide a replacement for the Council's Nightshelter on New Walk, and the Day Centre on Pocklingtons Walk, to co-ordinate

these two services with the co-operation of primary health, community psychiatric nurses, psychology, day centre education, and advice services.

A feasibility study and site investigation had been completed, a scheme prepared, and a planning application proposed.

Councillor Kitterick, Ward Councillor for the area, attended the meeting to speak against the proposal on behalf of local residents.

Councillor Allen moved the recommendations in the report, and was seconded by Councillor Smith. This was put to the vote, and carried by four votes, as follows:-

Councillors Corrall, Draycott and Shelton abstained from voting. Councillors Allen, Almey, Karim and Smith voted to support the recommendations.

#### **RESOLVED:**

- (1) that Cabinet be informed that the Housing Scrutiny Committee supported the approval of the scheme to build a Multi Disciplinary Centre on Conduit Street, Leicester, and the increase in the Capital Programme provision to £3.95 million: and
- (2) that it be further noted that they also supported the bid of £800,000 to the Neighbourhood Renewal Fund.