



Leicester
City Council

MINUTE EXTRACT

Minutes of the Meeting of the HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH 2004 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Thompson - Chair
Councillor Ramsdale - Liberal Democrat Spokesperson
Councillor Connelly - Labour Spokesperson

Councillor Allen
Councillor Bhatti

Councillor Henry
Councillor Panchbhaya

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution (Section 4A, Rule 42), the following Councillor attended the meeting and with the sanction of the Committee, spoke on the item indicated, but did not vote: -

Councillor Kitterick – Minute 78 (Petition – Residents Parking – Highfields South)

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73. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were requested to declare any interests they may have in the business on the agenda.

No declarations were made at this time.

83. ON-STREET PARKING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2004/05

The Service Director, Highways and Transportation submitted a report that set out revised proposals for spending income generated by the on-street parking scheme in order to improve transport in the City. Members considered the report and made comments referred to below. Members attention was drawn to an error in paragraph 1.23 of the report and the need to amend the figure of £520,000 in line three to read £735,000.

Officers reported that the report was recommending on-street parking charges be increased by 10% in 2004/05, although it was not felt this level of increase could be sustained year on year.

Members questioned the need for health and safety improvements to the Haymarket Car Park in view of the decision of Cabinet to sell the lease. Officers stated that it was felt that should the sale proceed the works would

enhance the value of the car park or, should the proposals fall through, the works would then need to be carried out by the City Council anyway. A report would be submitted to Cabinet later in the year dealing with the sale of the lease of the Haymarket Car Park.

Members queried why the level of on-street fine income had fallen and whether this could be attributed to staffing levels and fewer people being fined. Officers stated that the fall in fine income had not been down to staff but appeared to be a case of motorists not exceeding the period of parking covered by their tickets.

RESOLVED:

that the comments made and the content of the report be noted.

87. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.10pm.