



Leicester
City Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the
LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: WEDNESDAY, 1 DECEMBER 2004 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Shelton – Chair – Cultural Services Stream)
Councillor Mrs. Maw – Conservative Spokesperson
Councillor Sandringham – Liberal Democrat Spokesperson

Councillor Thompson – (Chair – Highways and Transportation Stream)
Councillor Panchbhaya – Liberal Democrat Spokesperson
Councillor Hall – Labour Spokesperson

Councillor Allen	Councillor Ramsdale
Councillor J. Blackmore	Councillor Tessier
Councillor Green	Councillor Vincent

Also in Attendance

Councillor Kitterick – Cabinet Member for Highways

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31. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Councillor Vincent declared that he had a personal and non-prejudicial interest in item 13, Future Profile of the City Council's Energy Services, as he was Chair of the Leicester Energy Agency, a City Council appointment.

Councillor Thompson declared that he had a personal and non-prejudicial interest in item 13, Future Profile of the City Council's Energy Services, as he was in receipt of free low energy light bulbs, following an Energy Check of his house arranged through the Energy shop.

47. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004 - IMPLICATIONS OF NETWORK MANAGEMENT DUTY

The Service Director, Highways and Transportation, submitted a report that

outlines the implications for the City Council of the provisions of Part 2 of the Traffic Management Act 2004. The Act placed a duty on the authority to manage the highway network effectively in order to keep traffic moving.

The Committee were informed that the Act added to the powers already held by the Council. The Act also added a network management duty and required the City Council to appoint a Traffic Manager to perform tasks that the Council deemed necessary to meet this duty.

RESOLVED:

- 1) that it be noted that the Corporate Director of Regeneration and Culture would determine which existing member of staff would best be suited to being designated Traffic Manager for the purpose of the Act.
- 2) that it be noted that the requirement for additional staff resources to support the functions of the Traffic Management duties which would become self financing when the Act is fully implemented.
- 3) that it be noted that further reports would be submitted when other secondary legislation was introduced.
- 4) that support be given to the initial costs relating to the Act being funded from the Highways Maintenance budget, as set out in the report.