EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL HELD ON 20 OCTOBER 2011

EEOSP.68/11 BOTCHERGATE CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL AND MANAGEMENT PLAN (DRAFT)

The Assistant Director (Economic Development) (Mrs Meek) submitted report ED.35/11 and advised that the Executive had considered the draft Botchergate Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan at their meeting on 26 September 2011 (EX.123/11).

The Executive had decided:

- "1. That the Executive had considered Report ED.30/11 concerning the draft Botchergate Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan and made the papers available for consideration by the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel.
- 2. That, subject to any additional information arising from the Scrutiny Panel, the matter be reported back to the Executive on 31 October 2011 to consider referral to Council for approval for public consultation on 8 November 2011."

Mrs Meek advised Members of the purpose of the Botchergate Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan and stated that the current appearance o Botchergate was an issue of perennial concern for both elected Members and the public. Policy DP2 of the Local Plan (regeneration) specified that proposals would be developed for the regeneration of the economic, social and environmental capital of the district. Botchergate was named under the policy and the Botchergate Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan was the first step in taking forward the objectives of the policy by providing more detail to guide future development of the area, and to support private investment. The Conservation Area was centred on the linear strip of Botchergate, being also the key southern approach to the City.

Mrs Meek further advised that the appraisal included a recommendation to modify the boundary and therefore proposed consultation on that matter. She outlined the areas were alteration to the boundary was proposed.

The Heritage Officer (Mr Higgins) took the Panel through appendices in the report and explained the proposed changes.

The Panel thanked officers for the detailed report and requested that consideration be given to moving the proposed boundary to Collier Street so that everything on the right hand side of Collier Street was inside the conservation area.

A Member asked that the wording in the report be clarified to make it clear what the conservation area protected in Botchergate.

RESOLVED - That the proposed boundary be moved to include all of the buildings on the right hand side of Collier Street.