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City Councillor for:
Denton Holme Ward

17 October 02

John Egan
City Solicitor
Carlisle City Council

Dear John

Open Space, Dowbeck Road

I wish to object to the proposed transfer of this land to Riverside Haouing Association. I enclose copies of relevant Council minutes which give background information on the land.

At the Council meeting on 30 October 01, the Council received a petition presented by Miss Eplett on behalf of the Dowbeck Residents Action Group. The petition called on the Council to create a new play area with enhanced play facilities together with a 5-aside pitch on the site of the existing play area. The Council supported the petition and requested that a further report be brought to the Executive, once further investigations on funding had been completed by the Portfolio Holder and the Director of Leisure & Community Development, along with the Action Group.

The open area referred to in the proposed transfer is the area of land which was the subject of the petition. Local residents have clearly identified the need for these play facilities and have expressed the wish that the facilities be improved to include a 5-aside pitch. The surrounding area (approximately 50%) is privately owned terraced housing. As there are few gardens, this area is an important amenity for not only Council tenants, but also owner/occupiers. It is the only play area/open space between Wigton Road and Dalston Road.

I support the land remaining as open space but have concerns that the wishes of the residents will not be met, should the land be transferred to another owner. I feel that the Council would be letting down the residents after their efforts, if the Council transfers this land. I beg you to retain the land in Council ownership.

Yours sincerely


Hugh McDevitt

DOWBECK RESIDENTS ACTION GROUP

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01/09/01

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE
CIVIC CENTRE
CARLISLE

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing a petition on behalf of our estate. There are a few pointers I would like you to look at when making a decision.

Basically we would like our park up-graded to a better play area and that for safety issues we would like the park locked on a night on all three entrances.

The area on the opposite side of the park on Dowbeck road to be made into a five a side football pitch, sporting arena with a high fence going round the full area to be locked on a night. We would like that to be tarmac for safety issues and so that the community can monitor it easily.

We have loads of ideas as a group that we know the children in our area would appreciate. As you might be aware we have a problem area due to the fact the children have basically nothing to do apart from play in the street. We as a community would like our children to have a decent place to play in safely.

We also have the fact and worry of drug-dealers in our area which we are co-operating on with the police and the housing office at the civic centre. I appreciate that drug-dealers are all over the city as you will be aware but our area is seen as the next Raffles and we as a group are all willing to make sure that our children and future children will receive the best that they should have. We would like to see that we can make a difference and working together with the council we will be able to manage.

As a group we are more than willing to help raise the money jointly with the council and will be trying other resources to raise the money. We would be more than happy to arrange a meeting with you to discuss our proposition in the hope that as a community you would be able to see the good we are trying to do.

We would also like to receive all information as to which charity's there are as well as all the other groups we can apply to raise the money.

One of our other issues is to get a young football team and get them into the league so as children from different backgrounds or the under privileged in the area can all work together as a team. We are also looking for sponsors to achieve our goals.

We have our local councillors working with us and other sources as well as the community together.

By all means if by having a meeting to voice our concerns to help our application we would like to come down and voice them.

Thank-you for considering our application. We hope to hear from you in the near future.

Yours Sincerely



L. J. Eplett
On behalf of D.R.A.G.

Please note - We had a signed petition for STANTHOPE CD, unfortunately it has been lost. We will send as soon as it is found.

Thank you
L. J. Eplett.

DOWBECK RESIDENTS ACTION GROUP

I THE UNDER SIGNED AGREE THAT THE PARK BE USED
AS A FOOTBALL / NETBALL PITCH AND THAT THE
LAND ON DOWBECK ROAD BE USED AS A PARK FOR
AGE GROUPS BETWEEN 0-10 YEARS.

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C Hodgson 21 Finn Ave.

L Giacomazzi 7 Finn Ave

~~P Bell~~ 5 Finn Ave

~~DB Bell~~ 5 Finn Ave.

~~M Bell~~ 9 Finn Ave.

~~M Bell~~ 29 Finn Ave.

~~K. Munn~~ 11 Finn Ave

K. Munn 15 Finn Ave

R Bell 19 Finn Ave.

M Wilson 21 " "

E Hagan 23 " "

P Munn 25.

K Swales 37 Finn Ave

H. Armstrong 31

M. Queen 37, FINN AVE

L. Munn 37, FINN AVE

CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL

Report to:-

THE MAYOR & MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Date of Meeting:-

30TH OCTOBER 2001

Agenda Item No:-

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	Public	Policy	Delegated No
Accompanying Comments and Statements			
Environmental Impact Statement:		Required	Included
		No	No
Corporate Management Team Comments:		No	No
City Treasurers Comments:		No	No
City Solicitor & Secretary Comments:		No	No
Head of Personnel Services Comments:		No	No

Title:- DOWBECK ROAD - PROPOSED PROVISION OF SPORT & IMPROVEMENT OF PLAY FACILITIES

Report of:- DIRECTOR OF LEISURE & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Report reference:- LCD.90/01

Summary:- A petition has been received from Dowbeck Residents Action Group. The group are asking for the provision of a small hard surfaced kick-about pitch on some waste land located at Dowbeck Road. They are also asking for improvements to be carried out to the existing Play Area located opposite the proposed 5 a side kick about area.

Recommendation:- It is recommended that:-

- (i) Council receive the petition and authorise officers to help the Dowbeck residents Action Group to investigate sources of external finances to fund the proposed works.
- (ii) A further report be presented to the Executive Committee when these investigations have been completed.

Contact Officer: Chris Wright **Ext:** 7364

Euan Cartwright
Director of Leisure & Community Development
19 October 2001

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
The report has been prepared in part from the following papers: Petition submitted by Dowbeck Residents Action Group.

To: THE CHAIR, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL
30TH OCTOBER 2001

DOWBECK ROAD - PROPOSED PROVISION OF SPORT AND IMPROVEMENT OF PLAY FACILITIES

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Dowbeck Residents Action Group have submitted a petition, signed by 251 people, asking the City Council to upgrade or to assist in upgrading the Play Area at Dowbeck Road, and to create a 5-a-side football pitch with a high surround fence on the area of land opposite the Play Area.
- 1.2 An area of grass, under the control of the Housing Committee, marked (A) on plan, is proposed as the site for a tarmac surfaced 5-a-side kick about area, with mini-goalposts at either end. A 2.4 metre high steel palisade fence would be erected around the site, with a 1.2 metre wide matching pedestrian access gate. A solid rebound wall, with associated basketball hoop could also be provided if required.
- 1.3 It is proposed to provide a 2.4 metre high steel palisade fence around the existing Play Area marked (B) on plan on the other side of Dowbeck Road. A matching vehicular and pedestrian gate would be provided on the Dowbeck Road frontage, with pedestrian gates also located on the path leading into the Play Area from the two culs-de-sac on Stanhope Road.
- 1.4 Existing play equipment could be replaced with new equipment, and rubber safety surfacing could be provided under the play equipment.
- 1.5 It is proposed that all access gates would be locked over night.

2.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 2.1 There is currently no City Council funding allocated for these proposals. The proposed scheme would cost in the region of £40,000.
- 2.2 Possible sources of funding available to the Action Group could include Lottery funding, land Fill Tax grant etc. City Council Officers would help the Residents in finding funding sources.

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Residents Action Group.**

3.0 PLAY AREA STRATEGY

- 3.1 The City Council's Play Area Strategy is currently being reviewed, with a 10 years plan proposed to come into effect in April 2002. Any possible funding to add to external funding sources to upgrade the Play Area could be made available in the first year of the strategy plan, utilising the existing Play Area maintenance and improvement budget. The amount of funding available would depend on the level of funding resourced from external sources, and would be considered in a further report.

4.0 PLANNING CONSIDERATION

- 4.1 Planning permission would have to be sought for the proposals. New play equipment would have to be sited in the same location as the original equipment to comply with Local Planning guidelines.

5.0 HOUSING LAND

- 5.1 The future ownership and use of Housing Amenity Land is currently under consideration, as part of the L.S/V.T Housing Stock proposed transfer negotiations with Riverside
- 5.2 Depending on the outcome of these negotiations, the proposal relating to provision of the kick-about pitch could be affected.

6.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:-

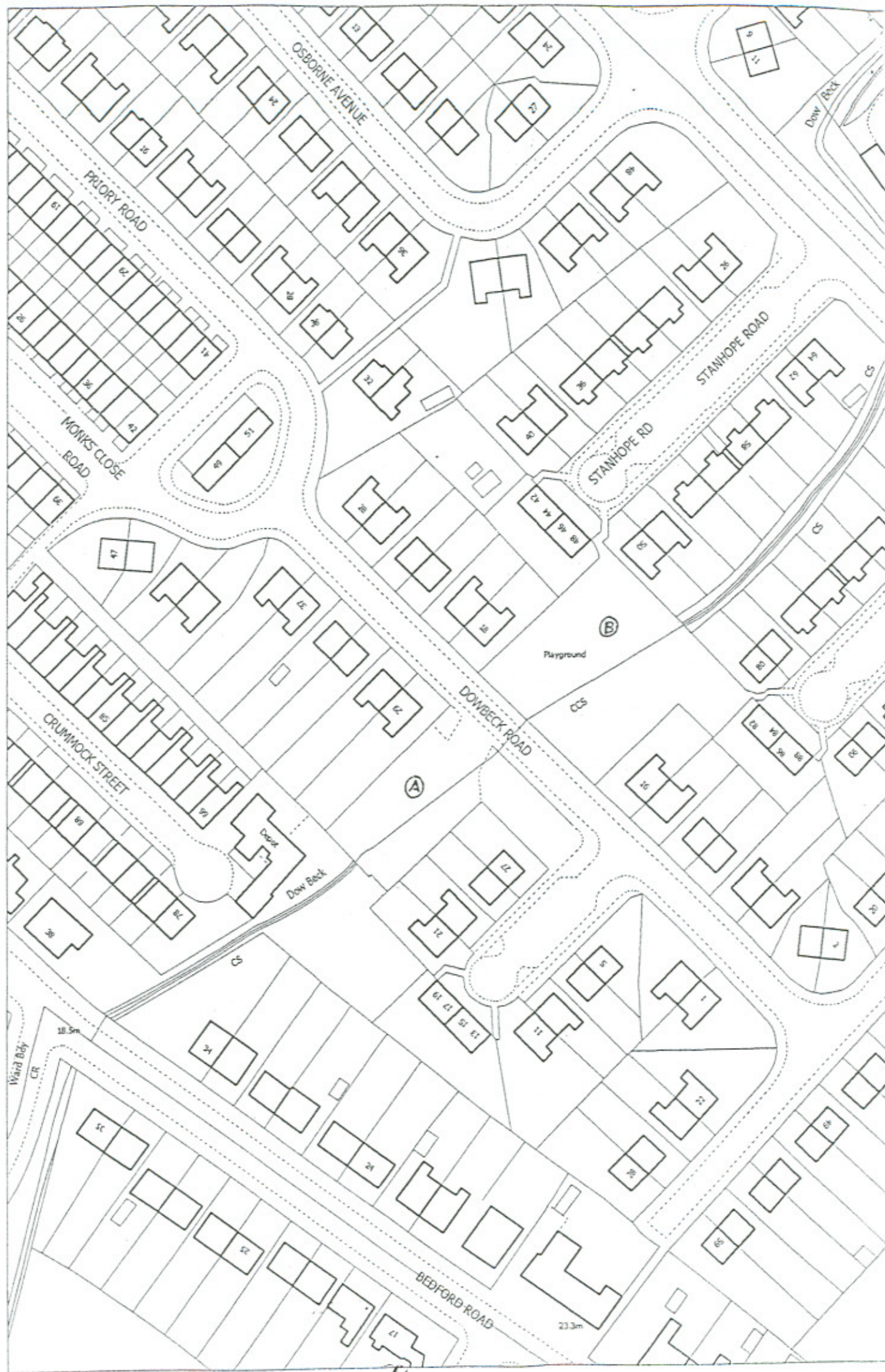
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- (ii) A further report be presented to the Executive Committee when these investigations have been completed.

EUAN CARTWRIGHT

Director of Leisure & Community Development

19th October 2001

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COUNCIL 30 10 01

COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 30 OCTOBER 2001 AT 6.45 PM

PRESENT: The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Parsons), Councillors Aldersey, Atkinson, Bain, Mrs Blackadder, Bloxham, Boaden, Bowditch, Mrs Bowman, Mrs Bradley, Collier, Mrs Crookdake, Dodd, Ellis, Farmer, Firth, Fisher (L), Mrs Fisher, Ms Furneaux, Mrs Geddes, Glover, Graham, Guest, Hodgson (G), Hodgson (B), Jefferson, Joscelyne, King, Knapton, Mrs Mallinson, Mallinson J, Ms Martlew, McDevitt, Macmillan, Mitchelson, Morton, Mrs Pattinson, Prest (G), Mrs Prest, Robinson, Mrs Rutherford, Rutherford (K), Mrs Southward, Stevenson, Mrs Styth, Toole, Ms Watson, Weber and Weedall

C.177/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs Cartner, Watson (A) and Wilson.

C.178/01 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the City Council held on 11 September 2001 had been previously circulated.

RESOLVED – (1) That the Minutes of the meeting of the City Council held on 11 September 2001 be signed

by the Mayor as a true record of the meeting.

(2) Pursuant to Minute C.152/01 Councillor Mitchelson to investigate whether the Council's appreciation had been conveyed to Mr G Young for his input to the Millennium Gallery.

C.179/01 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor B Hodgson declared a pecuniary interest in accordance with Section 94 of the Local Government Act 1972 in Minute LRP.4/01 Hackney Carriage Fares Review.

C.180/01 ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) Mayor

The Mayor reported the recent death of the Town Clerk and Chief Executive's father and it was agreed that the City Solicitor and Secretary send a letter of condolence on behalf of the Mayor and Members of the City Council to Mr Stybelski on his recent loss.

The Mayor welcomed Ms C Elliott to the first meeting of the City Council following her recent appointment as the Head of the Economic Development Unit.

The Mayor informed the Council that there was one Member of the Cumbria Deaf Association and an interpreter in the Gallery to assess the arrangements which could be made for attendance by a number of members of the Cumbria Deaf Association at the meeting of the City Council on 15 January 2002.

(b) Leader of the Council

The Leader of the Council commented on arrangements which had previously been made for presentations to be given to Councillors immediately prior to the full meetings of the City Council. He informed Members that in future it was planned to hold special meetings of the Council, outside the formal Council meetings, to receive one or more presentations. It was felt that this would be a more suitable arrangement for Members and would present an opportunity for Members to ask questions and take a fuller part in those presentations.

(c) Members of the Executive

There were no further announcements from Members of the Executive.

(d) City Solicitor & Secretary

There were no announcements from the City Solicitor and Secretary.

C.181/01 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

(a) Presentation of Petitions and Deputations

The City Solicitor and Secretary reported that no questions had been submitted by members of the public.

(b) Petitions << Dowbeck Road>>

Pursuant to procedure rule 10.11 the City Solicitor and Secretary reported the receipt of a petition containing more than 30 signatures submitted by Miss Eplett on behalf of the Dowbeck Residents Action Group.

Miss Eplett addressed the City Council on the subject of the petition and called upon the City Council to create a play area with enhanced play facilities on land at << Dowbeck Road>> and to create a 5 a side football pitch and sporting arena with high fence on the site of the existing play area. She added that for safety reasons the group would wish to see both areas fenced in and locked at night.

Councillor Atkinson and Councillor Hodgson (G) as Ward Members for Denton Holme and Castle spoke in support of the petition. They highlighted the safety issues involved with the areas leading onto busy roads within the area and whilst noting the requirements of the local planning guidelines they nonetheless felt that the residents and community of the Dowbeck Area had identified a pressing need for play facilities. Members added that the area did not enjoy the benefit of a Community Centre.

The Portfolio Holder for Community Activities presented report LCD.90/01 which set out proposals for providing improved play facilities in the << Dowbeck Road>> area which would cost in the region of £40,000. The report also identified possible sources of funding which might be available to the Action Group.

The Portfolio Holder added that should redundant fencing be available elsewhere which could be reused as part of the scheme then the overall cost of the scheme could be reduced.

RESOLVED – (1) That the Council receive the petition and authorise the Portfolio Holder, and the Director of Leisure and Community Development to assist the Dowbeck Residents Action Group to investigate sources of external finances which might be available to fund the proposed works.

(2) That a further report be presented to the Executive when those investigations have been completed.

C.182/01 PETITION – ROAD SAFETY

Pursuant to procedure rule 10.11 the City Solicitor and Secretary reported the receipt of a petition from Mr W Robinson on behalf of the Save Scotby Action Group.

Mr Robinson addressed the Council on the petition and highlighted concerns felt by the residents of Scotby with regard to road safety on Scotby Road. He requested the Council's support in restricting traffic to 20 mph on Scotby Road, introducing traffic calming measures as a matter of urgency, restricting heavy vehicles from roads in Scotby and introducing crossings and cycle paths to enable children to cycle to school in safety. Mr Robinson drew attention to the increase in traffic on Scotby Road during the last 10-15 years as a result of residential developments and highlighted measures which had been taken in Carlisle to reduce speed limits on urban roads which had not been adopted in the rural areas.

Councillor Joscelyne, as Ward Councillor, highlighted the need for additional traffic controls on Scotby Road and added that the Wetheral Parish Council had recently supported the petition in principle although he felt that rural villages should not be urbanised by introducing measures such as speed humps. He added that given the support which the petition enjoyed from the Parish Council and himself as the District Council Ward Councillor he was hopeful that measures could be introduced but the actual implementation would be dependant upon funding from the County Council Area Committee as the Highway Authority.

The Portfolio Holder for Infrastructure Environment and Transport commented that the petition and request in the letter seemed to fall into two sections. The first part related to the planning aspects and particularly the request that all boundaries in Scotby become green field sites and he commented that, as with all planning applications, such matters would be dealt with on their own merits and in accordance with the Local Plan and the Structure Plans. The second part of the petition requesting action to improve road safety on Scotby Road was a matter for the Cumbria County Council as the Highway Authority.

RESOLVED – That the petition with regard to road safety on Scotby Road be referred to the Cumbria County Council's Local Area Committee to be held on 9 November 2001, and that Committee be asked to investigate the requests contained in the petition to:

restrict traffic to 20 mph on Scotby Road;

introduce traffic calming measures as a matter of urgency;

restrict heavy vehicles from all roads in Scotby; and

provide crossings and cycle paths which would allow children to cycle to school in safety.

C.183/01 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEES WORKING GROUPS

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meetings of the following Boards and Panels which took place prior to the City Council adopting its new Constitution be received.

Best Value Scoping Panel 10 September 2001

Direct Services Board Special Meeting 11 September 2001

Joint Management Team 10 September 2001

C.184/01 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Pursuant to procedure rule 11(2) Councillor Weber asked the following question of the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing:

"If public opinion was seen to be against externalisation of the Leisuretime Service for Carlisle, what policy change, if any, would he recommend to the Executive"?

Councillor Bloxham responded to Councillor Weber's question and to a supplementary question which was then put by Councillor Weber to the effect that consultation had been carried out as part of the Best Value Review of Leisuretime which had been focused on the users of the Leisuretime Services. As a result, the final report of the Leisuretime Best Value Review had identified the need for additional investment in the Leisuretime facilities to bring those up to a suitable standard for the public to use. He identified major expenditure which was required at The Sands Centre and at The Sheepmount. He added that such investment could either be found by funding from external sources or increasing the level of Council tax.

C.185/01 EXECUTIVE

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11, Councillor Mitchelson moved and Councillor Firth seconded the receipt and adoption of the Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 18 September and 15 October 2001.

Members questioned the Leader and the Portfolio Holders on the Minutes and it was

RESOLVED - That, subject to the references from the Executive regarding the Council's budget and policy framework being dealt with later in the meeting, the Minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 18 September and 15 October 2001 be received.

C.186/01 PORTFOLIO HOLDER REPORTS

A copy of Reports from the following Portfolio Holders were circulated prior to the meeting.

Community Activities

Health and Well Being

Corporate Resources

Strategy and Performance

Finance and Resources

Promoting Carlisle

Economic Prosperity

Infrastructure, Environment and Transport

Members questioned individual Portfolio Holders on their Reports.

RESOLVED - (1) That the Reports be received.

(2) That a copy of the City Council's response to the Consultation Paper on Travel and Subsistence and other Allowances be circulated to all Members for information.

(3) That a copy of the e-mail circulated to staff regarding arrangements for handling suspicious mail etc be circulated to all Members of the Council.

C.187/01 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

Councillor Jefferson moved and Councillor Mrs Prest seconded the receipt and adoption of the Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee held on 27 September 2001.

Councillor Ellis moved and Councillor Mrs Fisher seconded the receipt and adoption of the Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Community held on 11 September and 11 and 17 October 2001.

Councillor Guest moved and Councillor Mrs Prest seconded the receipt and adoption of the Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Corporate Resources held on 11 September and 18 October 2001.

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee held on 27 September 2001, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Community held on 11 September, 11 October and 17 October 2001, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Corporate Resources held on 11 September and 18 October 2001 be agreed.

C.188/01 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN'S REPORTS

The Chairmen of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Management Committee, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Community, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Resources presented Reports to Council.

The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Infrastructure reported that no Report had been submitted on this occasion as the Committee had not yet met.

RESOLVED - That the Reports be received.

C.189/01 LICENSING AND REGULATORY PANEL

Councillor Morton moved and it was seconded that the Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Panel held on 10 September 2001 be agreed. Councillor Mrs Blackadder moved and it was seconded that the Minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Panel held on 10 October 2001 be received.

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Panel held on 10 September 2001 and the Licensing and Regulatory Panel held on 10 October 2001 be received.

C.190/01 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

Councillor Prest moved and it was seconded that the Minutes of the Planning and Land Use Sub-Committee held on 24 August and 7 September 2001 be received.

Councillor Collier moved and it was seconded that the Minutes of the Development Control Committee held on 19 and 21 September 2001 be received.

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Land Use Sub-Committee held on 24 August and 7 September 2001 and the Development Control Committee held on 19 and 21 September 2001 be received.

C.191/01 APPEALS PANELS

It was moved by Councillor Morton that the Minutes of the Appeals Panels held on 28 September 2001 be received. It was moved by Councillor Knapton that the Minutes of the Appeals Panel held on 17 October 2001 be received.

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the meetings of the Appeals Panels held on 28 September and 17 October 2001 be received.

C.192/01 NOTICES OF MOTION

(a) Cumbria Police Service

Consideration was given to the following Notice of Motion of which due notice had been given by Councillor Farmer in accordance with Procedure Rule 12:

"This Council asks the Cumbria Police Authority to review its recent policies which affect, reduce or end services previously provided from Police Stations by the County Police Force".

The motion was seconded by Councillor Collier. Following some discussion it was :

RESOLVED – That the motion of Councillor Farmer be agreed.

(b) Cumbria Police Authority

Consideration was given to the following Notice of Motion of which due notice had been given by Councillor McMillan in accordance with Procedure

Rule 12 :

"This Council registers its concern with the Cumbria Police Authority regarding the Authority's Committee decision to elect their own Chairman, without consultation with, or the democratic wishes of, Carlisle Local Liaison Committee".

The motion was seconded by Councillor Mrs Pattinson. Following some discussion it was :

RESOLVED – That the motion of Councillor McMillan be agreed.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17.5 Councillor Mrs Styth recorded that she had abstained from voting on the motion.

C.193/01 PROPOSALS FROM EXECUTIVE IN RELATION TO THE

COUNCIL'S POLICY FRAMEWORK

(i) Carlisle City Vision – Implementation & Mainstreaming

Pursuant to Minute EX.5/01 consideration was given to the City Vision document (Report TC.199/01) which had been recommended to the City Council for approval by the Executive.

Councillor Mitchelson moved and Councillor Firth seconded the adoption of the City Vision document.

RESOLVED – That the City Council endorse the City Vision document as part of the Council's policy framework as a key partner in the process.

(ii) Corporate Procurement Strategy

Pursuant to Minute EX.21/01 consideration was given to the Corporate Procurement Strategy (Report EN.163/01) which had been recommended to the full Council for approval by the Executive.

Councillor L Fisher moved and Councillor Mitchelson seconded the adoption of the Strategy as part of the Council's Policy Framework.

RESOLVED – (1) That the Council adopt the Corporate Procurement Strategy as set out in Report EN.163/01 as part of the Council's Policy Framework.

C.194/01 REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

(a) Pennine Way Primary School

Councillor Mitchelson moved and it was seconded that Mrs Sarah Kerr be nominated to serve as a Minor Authority Representative on the Governing Body of Pennine Way Primary School.

Councillor Mrs Bradley moved and it was seconded that Councillor M Boaden be nominated as the City Council's Representative on the above Governing Body.

Following voting thereon, it was RESOLVED that Mrs Sarah Kerr, 4 Highbank Close, Carlisle, be nominated to serve as the Minor Authority Representative on the Governing Body of Pennine Way Primary School.

(b) Belle Vue Infant School

It was AGREED that consideration of the Minor Authority Representative to serve on the Governing Body of Belle Vue Infant School be deferred and considered at the next meeting of the City Council.

(c) Mary Hannah Almshouses

Councillor Mitchelson moved, and it was seconded that Ms Theresa Preston be nominated as a City Council Representative to serve as a Trustee on the Mary Hannah Almshouses.

Councillor Mrs Bradley nominated Mr T E Johnson MBE as a City Council Representative to serve as a Trustee on the Mary Hannah Almshouses.

Following voting thereon it was RESOLVED that Ms Theresa Preston, 24 Kerriemuir Way, Carlisle, be nominated as a City Council Representative to serve as a Trustee on the Mary Hannah Almshouses following the resignation of Mr Reay. The nomination to serve until February 2002.

C.195/01 ELECTORAL PILOT SCHEME

A copy of a report of the City Solicitor and Secretary (TC.214/01) regarding an invitation from the Department of Transport, Local Government and the Regions to participate in Electoral Pilot Schemes in the Local Election in May 2002 was circulated.

Councillor Mrs Pattinson as the Portfolio Holder for Community Activities presented the report and moved that the report should be noted, and no action taken on the invitation at the present time.

Councillor Stevenson seconded the motion.

RESOLVED – That Report TC.214/01 be noted and the Council take no further action at the present time on the invitation from the DTLR to participate in Electoral Pilot Schemes in the Local Elections in May 2002.

C.196/01 DURATION OF MEETING

Councillor Toole moved and it was seconded and agreed that Procedure Rule 9 be suspended to allow the business of the meeting to be completed.

C.197/01 LEADER'S SCHEME OF DELEGATION

Councillor Mitchelson reported on amendments to the Leader's Scheme of Delegation by virtue of a decision to re-establish the Carlisle Transport Steering Group with the County Council. The Group to comprise of 5 Members from the City Council and the Cumbria County Council to discuss highway matters pending further discussions on the proposals for the Joint Highways Committee. Councillor Mitchelson added that Representatives from the Labour Group on the City Council and Liberal Democrat Independent Group on the City Council would be invited to attend future meetings of the Transport Steering Group. He added that the Transport Steering Group was an Advisory Group and if any decisions were required from the City Council it would be a matter for the Portfolio Holder to refer them back for consideration via the Executive Committee.

RESOLVED – (1) That the report and the amendments to the Leader's Scheme of Delegation be noted.

(2) That Councillor Mrs Rutherford and Guest be nominated to attend the future meetings of the Carlisle Transport Steering Group with Councillors McDevitt and Hodgson G being their respective nominated substitutes.

(Councillors Bloxham, Firth, L Fisher, Mitchelson and G Prest having been nominated as City Council Representatives under Portfolio Holder decision PF.2/01).

C.198/01 COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor read out a letter from Mrs Hall of Milton Keynes congratulating the City Council and advocating Carlisle as a tourist destination.

(The meeting ended at 9.43 pm)