

West Wiltshire District Council

Cabinet

9 March 2005

Notice of Motion

<p>To consider a notice of motion referred to Cabinet by Council on 23 February 2005</p>
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Recording of Council meetings by the Press - Cllrs Chivers and Barker

“This Council notes with great concern that some members of the press were recently banned from recording the proceedings of a recent Council meeting.

The members of this Council wish to make it clear that all members of the press are welcome to attend, record and film all meetings of this Council that are held in open session without any restrictions being placed upon them as long as they act in a reasonable manner.

Members also wish that the Constitution be changed accordingly”.

Comments of Council:

In referring the motion to Cabinet, Council made the following comments:

Audio recordings by the press would be allowed at the Special Meeting of the Planning Committee on 11 March 2005 pending agreement of a media protocol which would be presented to Cabinet on 9 March along with this notice of motion with any Constitutional changes being ultimately agreed by Council.

Draft Media Protocol

Cabinet is asked to consider the attached draft Media Protocol which has been previously circulated to all Members.