



COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES of a MEETING held at COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE on TUESDAY, 13th FEBRUARY, 2001.

PRESENT: Lt. Col. D.B.W. Jarvis (Chairman), Mr. P.G. Allnatt, Mr. B.E. Atfield, Mr. R.J. Baddeley, Mrs. L.C.S. Bennett, Mrs. M. Boulton, Mrs. N.S. Bryant, Mr. R.G. Catton, Mr. P.F. Chalke, Mr. T.P. Chivers, Mr. P.C.B. Coleman, Mr. M. Connolly, Mrs. C. Crisp, Mr. P.R. Davis, Miss M.F. de Rhé-Philipe, Mr. G.J.M. Downes, Mrs. M.E. Groom, Mrs. G. Hill, Mr. C.P. Humphries, Mr. J.N.B. Irving, Mr. T.R. James, Mrs. B.M. Jay, Mr. J.P. Johnson, Mrs. V.C.S. Landell Mills, Mr. D. Lay, Mrs. D.J. Main, Mr. C. Newbury, Mr. A.G. Peach, Mr. R.T. Rogers, Mrs. P. Rugg, Mrs. M.E. Salisbury, Mr. P.W.L. Sample, Mrs. J.B.P. Savage, Mrs. J. Scott, Mrs. J.H. Seager, Mrs. C.A. Soden, Mr. W.A. Spiers, Mr. T.R. Sturgis, Mr. J.E. Syme, Mrs. M.S.N. Taylor, Mrs. I. Throp, Mr. I.C. West, Mr. N.S.E. Westbrook, Mr. D.J. Willmott, Mr. K.C. Wren.

1. **Apologies** Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Mrs. L.P. Morris and Mrs. J.M. Wood.

2. **Minutes of Last Meeting** On motion by Lt.-Col. Jarvis, seconded by Mr. Johnson,

Resolved: To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21st November, 2000.

3. **Communications by the Chairman**

(1) **Visit by H.M. The Queen and H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh to Wiltshire** The Chairman informed members that the Royal Visit in March would involve a number of engagements in Calne, Chippenham and Malmesbury. A detailed programme would be made available shortly with contributions from all three tiers of local government in the County.

(2) **Elections 2001** As this was the last meeting of the present County Council before the elections on 3rd May, the Chairman took the opportunity to thank those not seeking re-election for their commitment and for serving the County Council so well over the past four years. He also wished those standing again a successful campaign.

4. **Public Participation** Mrs. V. Higham from Devizes and Miss R. Higham from Warminster (not present) asked questions regarding the future of the Devizes Activity Centre. The Chairman replied to Mrs. Higham at the meeting and would reply in writing to Miss Higham.
5. **Budget and Precept 2001-2002** The Council had before it a bound booklet of budget reports prepared by the County Treasurer, including the recommendations of the Policy & Resources Committee from its meeting on 16th January, 2001 in respect of the District Audit Management Letter and Financial Plan.

Mr. P.F. Chalke moved and Mrs. J.H. Seager seconded a motion circulated in his name as Leader of the Council.

Mr. P.G. Allnatt moved and Mr. N.S.E. Westbrook seconded an amendment circulated in the name of the Liberal Democrat Group as set out in Appendix 3 to these minutes.

Following debate and on being put to the meeting, the amendment was lost.

Mr. C. Newbury moved and Mr. J.N.B. Irving seconded another amendment as follows:

“To adjust Appendix A of the Leader of the Council’s motion (Appendix I to these minutes) by moving “Westbury Leigh CE Primary School: 8 Class Extension” from the Reserve List to the Capital Programme 2001-02 schemes starting in 2001-02.”

On being put to the meeting, the amendment was lost.

Mr. N.S.E. Westbrook moved and Mr. P.G. Allnatt seconded another amendment as follows:

“To add to the Leader of the Council’s motion, paragraph 1(j) of the Liberal Democrat Group’s amendment (as set out in Appendix 3 of these minutes).”

On being put to the meeting, the amendment was lost. Whereupon Mr. Chalke’s original motion was put to the meeting and was carried. It was therefore,

Resolved:

(1) *To agree that:*

- (a) *the net projected over-spending, currently projected at £1.949 million, will be rolled forward and met from the budgets approved for 2001-02;*
- (b) *following the disappointing decision on the funding for the Wharfside Heritage Centre, the project will inevitably be delayed reducing the cashflow by at least £0.1 million in 2001-02 and this, together with the addition to capital financing proposed for the revenue budget ((f(ix) below), £0.2 million can be allocated to Highways Structural Works (drainage);*

- (c) *the capital programme for 2001-02, covering projects funded from corporate and earmarked resources will be as set out on Appendix 1 to these minutes and those from earmarked resources as set out in Appendix B to the County Treasurer's report;*
- (d) *grants to village halls will be transferred to the Education revenue budget after 2001-02, with funding of £50,000 from capital financing;*
- (e) *Revenue Support Grant attributable to new credit approvals should be earmarked to capital financing costs, from 2002-03;*
- (f) *the following changes will be made to the committee spending proposals recommended by the Policy and Resources Committee:*
 - (i) *£500,000 to bring education spending up to the Standard Spending Assessment (see letter from County Treasurer and Chief Education Officer dated 12 February 2001);*
 - (ii) *£150,000 to the library stock fund, and agree that any savings realised from the Best Value Review of the Library Service can be retained for the Stock Fund;*
 - (iii) *£30,000 for post-16 travel passes;*
 - (iv) *£60,000 for the cost of the coroner's service;*
 - (v) *£60,000 for the additional costs of scrutiny and other requirements of the Local Government Act 2000, which, if not required for that purpose, can be reallocated to the library stock fund;*
 - (vi) *£30,000 to cover the cost of a secondment to Unison to March 2002;*
 - (vii) *£35,000 for the continuing development of the Web-site in the expectation that commercial sponsorship will be attracted;*
 - (viii) *£70,000 for the Local Government Improvement Project and Best Value Inspections;*
 - (ix) *£150,000 for capital financing to assist with the funding of the successful Local Transport Plan bid;*
 - (x) *£2 million, which, when added to the effect of a lower overspending in 2001-02 and other funding, should enable the Social Services Committee not to pursue all of the reductions that have been identified as "very difficult to achieve" and most of those identified as "could do with difficulty";*
 - (xi) *£1.25 million as a contribution to balances;*

- (g) *the revenue budget requirement for 2001-02 will be £306.525 million, as set out and allocated in Appendix 2 to these minutes;*
- (h) *the precept will be £113.255 million (£112.628 million for County Council spending and an additional £0.627 million for the Council Tax Benefit Limitation Scheme);*
- (i) *the council tax for 2001-02 will increase by 8.1%; and*
- (j) *the charge for County Council services for each property band will be as follows:*

(i)	<i>Band A</i>	<i>£462.42</i>
(ii)	<i>Band B</i>	<i>£539.48</i>
(iii)	<i>Band C</i>	<i>£616.55</i>
(iv)	<i>Band D</i>	<i>£693.62</i>
(v)	<i>Band E</i>	<i>£847.76</i>
(vi)	<i>Band F</i>	<i>£1,001.89</i>
(vii)	<i>Band G</i>	<i>£1,156.04</i>
(viii)	<i>Band H</i>	<i>£1,387.24</i>

- (2) *To authorise the County Treasurer to issue the necessary precepts upon the Collection Funds of the District Councils in the County, and to make the sums due under such precepts payable by instalments on dates agreed by the County Treasurer with the District Council Treasurers.*
- (3) *To authorise the Chief Executive and the County Treasurer to release capital projects in priority order from the reserve list, as additional resources become available.*
- (4) *To authorise the Policy & Resources Committee to borrow such sums and to utilise capital receipts for those capital schemes in the capital budget as the Committee may determine.*
- (5) *To authorise the County Treasurer to pay out of County Funds sums for:*
 - (i) *all accounts and debts due by the Council forming the Council's net revenue and capital expenditure, approved by the Council at its Budget meeting and such changes as are subsequently approved by the Policy & Resources Committee;*
 - (ii) *the cost of capital projects funded from developer contributions, or other earmarked resources where the project cost is less than £100,000, and projects in the approved capital programme which are funded partly by matched funding provisions;*
 - (iii) *the repayment of loans raised by the County Council which fall to be repaid;*

- (iv) *housing advances, car loans and such other loans made by the County Council as may be approved;*
- (v) *amounts recoverable as income in accordance with approved policies; and,*
- (vi) *all debts and liabilities of the Wiltshire Pension Fund and such Trust and other funds as are vested in the County Council.*

(NB In respect of the amendment relating to Westbury Leigh CE Primary School, (i) Mr. D. Chalker, County Treasurer, withdrew from the meeting during debate on account of a declared pecuniary interest; and (ii) Mr. C. Newbury asked for his vote in favour of the amendment to be recorded.)

- 6. **Report of Policy & Resources Committee** (21st November and 19th December 2000 and 16th January 2001) Received.
- 7. **Borrowing Resolution 2001-2002** On motion by Mr. P.F. Chalke, seconded by Mrs. J.H. Seager,

Resolved: *To agree that for the financial year 2001-2002 the:*

- (1) *maximum amount which the County Council may have outstanding by way of borrowing should be £100 million;*
- (2) *maximum amount which the County Council may have outstanding by way of short-term borrowing should not exceed £30 million; and*
- (3) *amount of borrowing on which interest payable by the County Council is at a rate or rates which can be varied by the person to whom it is payable or which can vary by reference to any external factors should not exceed 25% of the total borrowings outstanding at any point in time.*

- 8. **Wiltshire Direct Services: Options Appraisal** On considering a paper and on motion by Mr. P.F. Chalke, seconded by Mrs. J.H. Seager,

Resolved: *To approve the establishment of a Steering Sub-Committee of the Policy & Resources Committee to oversee the externalisation of Wiltshire Direct Services with the following terms of reference:*

“To set objectives and agree the detailed timetable and mechanisms for engaging stakeholders.”

- 9. **Motion by Mr. P.G. Allnatt: North Wiltshire Schools PFI Project** At the County Council on 21st November, 2000, Mr. Allnatt moved the following motion which was referred to the Policy & Resources Committee for consideration and report:

“(1) Council congratulates and thanks the officers and governing bodies for their efforts.

- (2) Thanks the Leader of the Council for finally accepting that the process was a “curate’s egg” and has accepted Councillor Allnatt’s advice.
- (3) Nevertheless calls for a review by the Policy & Resources and Environment & Transport Scrutiny Sub-Committee into the whole process and, in particular, the causes of the delay in signing the contract from May to October, and any additional costs incurred as a result.”

The Policy & Resources Committee considered the motion at its meeting on 19th December, 2000.

Mrs. J.H. Seager moved and Mrs. C.A. Soden seconded the response of the Committee as printed in the summons.

Mr. P.G. Allnatt moved and Mr. P.C.B. Coleman seconded the following amendment:

“To ask the Scrutiny Sub-Committee to look at the process and objectives of the North Wiltshire Schools PFI Project on a cross-party basis.”

On being put to the meeting the amendment was lost. Whereupon Mrs. Seager’s original motion was put to the meeting and was carried. It was therefore,

Resolved:

- (1) *To congratulate and thank officers and governing bodies for their efforts.*
- (2) *To thank the Leader of the Council for his efforts in securing such a satisfactory outcome.*
- (3) *To record its thanks to the officers for their hard work in ensuring an outstanding project for Wiltshire.*

(At this point Council adjourned for lunch.)

10. **Motion by Mr. P.G. Allnatt: Bacon** At County Council on 21st November 2000, Mr. Allnatt moved the following motion, which was referred to the Policy & Resources Committee for consideration and report:

“In view of the continuing plight in Wiltshire of the pig industry, the County Council confirms that it recognises the quality and value of local produce and recognises that local bacon is purchased for consumption in County Council premises where that represents value for money.”

The Policy & Resources Committee considered the motion at its meeting on 19th December 2000.

On motion by Mr. P.F. Chalke seconded by Mrs. J.H. Seager,

Resolved:

- (1) To remind the County Council of the decision taken on 23rd November 1999:
“To support the policy adopted by the schools meals service of buying local produce, especially meat...”
- (2) To note that within the constraints of Section 17 of the Local Government Act 1988, British bacon is purchased whenever possible.
- (3) To ensure that the above views of the County Council are conveyed to all interested parties during future discussions about the externalisation of WDS.

(NB:

- (1) Mrs. N.S. Bryant declared a pecuniary interest in this item and left the Chamber during debate.
- (2) Mr. J.N.B. Irving declared a non-pecuniary interest as he kept pigs as pets. He did not consider his interest to be clear and substantial and remained in the Chamber.
- (3) Mrs. C. Crisp also declared a non-pecuniary interest as she kept pigs for personal consumption. She did not consider her interest to be clear and substantial and remained in the Chamber).

11. **Procedure for Electing Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the County Council**
On considering a paper and on motion by Mr. P.F. Chalke, seconded by Mrs. J.H. Seager,

Resolved: To abolish the secret nomination process for the election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the County Council and to revise Standing Order 6 of Part 1 Standing Orders as follows:-

Delete

Standing Order 6.2.1 and 6.2.2

Insert

- 6.2.1 The person presiding at the meeting shall invite nominations for chairman or vice-chairman from those present at the meeting.
- 6.2.2 A member's name must be proposed and seconded to be eligible.
- 6.2.3 A member shall not be nominated in his or her absence for the office of chairman or vice-chairman without his or her written consent.

12. **Report of Education Committee** (21st November and 15th December 2000) Received.

13. **Motion by Mr. P.G. Allnatt: Asbestos in School Buildings** At County Council on 21st November 2000, Mr. Allnatt moved the following motion which was referred to the Education Committee for consideration and report:

“Given the fact that some Local Education Authority school buildings still have “safe” asbestos material, Council requests that:

- (i) a report be brought on the cost to school budgets caused by the specialist maintenance requirements and its impact on utility, such as fixtures to walls, etc., and
- (ii) a second report be brought to demonstrate the feasibility of a programme of asbestos replacement on a best value basis.”

The Education Committee considered the motion at its meeting on 15th December 2000.

On motion by Mrs. C.A. Soden, seconded by Mrs. J. Scott,

Resolved:

- (1) *To agree that the current programme of monitoring and containing the asbestos situation in Wiltshire Schools in accordance with health and safety legislation and guidelines should continue.*
- (2) *To note that best value would not be achieved by the adoption of a general policy of pro-active asbestos replacement.*

14. **Questions: Education Committee** The Chairman of the Education Committee responded to questions from members asked under Standing Order 15.1 concerning the following:-

<u>Member</u>	<u>Minute</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Mr. I.C. West*	111	Revenue Budget 2001-02	Reduction in grant to Wilts. Athletics Association
Mr. C. Newbury*	109(6)	Capital Programme	Latest position for schools in Westbury
Mr. T.R. James	125	Governors' Appointments	Paxcroft Mead Shadow Governing Body
Mr. N.S.E. Westbrook*	110	Standards Fund 2001-02	Impact of non-take up
Mr. N.S.E. Westbrook*	111(1)	Revenue Budget 2001-02	Impact of £2.5m shortfall
Mr. N.S.E. Westbrook*	109(6)	Capital Programme	Meeting with local members over West Wilts. Secondary School Provision

(* written replies to be given)

15. **Report of the Social Services Committee** (21st November and 14th December 2000) Received.

(A motion moved by Mr. N.S.E. Westbrook and seconded by Mrs. V.C.S. Landell Mills to refer back minute 96 of the 14th December meeting regarding Wiltshire Home Care Service for further consideration was defeated.)

16. **Questions: Social Services Committee** The Chairman of the Social Services Committee responded to questions from members asked under Standing Order 15.1 concerning the following:-

<u>Member</u>	<u>Minute</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Mrs. V.C.S. Landell Mills	96	Wiltshire Home Care Service	Overhead Costs
Mrs. C. Crisp	101	Integration of Services	Progress with proposals
Mr. N.S.E. Westbrook*	96	Adult Care Transport	Authority for spot purchasing by Social Services staff

(* written replies to be given)

17. **Report of the Environment & Transport Committee** (21st November and 13th December 2000) Received.

18. **Motion by Mr. P.G. Allnatt: Western Wiltshire Sustainable Transport Strategy**
At County Council on 21st November 2000, Mr. Allnatt moved the following motion which was referred to the Environment & Transport Committee for consideration and report:

“(i) Council welcomes:

- (a) the succinct glossy consultation document with reply coupon to the Director of Environmental Services;
- (b) this good example of three tier working; and
- (c) in particular, the eight pedestrian crossings planned for Hungerdown Lane, Chippenham, with the positive assistance of the North Wilts District Council.

(ii) However, Council is disappointed at the poor provision for pedestrian crossing points in London Road, Chippenham, particularly in the proximity of the new secondary school.”

The Environment & Transport Committee considered the motion at its meeting on 13th December 2000.

On motion by Miss M.F. de Rhé-Philipe, seconded by Mr. T.R. Sturgis,

Resolved: To note that:

- (1) *depending on the success of the Local Transport Plan Bid, it was hoped to consider the provision of pedestrian crossing facilities in London Road, Chippenham, at an early date;*
- (2) *a full safety assessment was carried out at the site of the new Abbeyfield Secondary School, Chippenham;*
- (3) *the preferred scheme for highway safety measures in the proximity of the new school met the necessary safety regulations and was the most suitable that could be appropriately achieved; and,*
- (4) *it would be reviewed after a period of 12 months' operation from the opening of the school, as was the case with all such schemes.*

19. **Motion by Mr. P.G. Allnatt: Corsham: Pockeredge Farm and Peel Circus** At County Council on 21st November 2000, Mr. Allnatt moved the following motion which was referred to the Environment & Transport Committee for consideration and report:

“Given the size of this development and strength of opposition to it, including by Cllr. T. Sturgis, Council regrets that the County Council’s comments as Highways Authority and Local Education Authority were taken under delegated authority and invites councillors Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Seager, Mrs. Crisp, Mrs. Bryant and Mr. Sturgis to explain how the County Council’s Social Services, schools and highways will cope.”

The Environment & Transport Committee considered the motion at its meeting on 13th December 2000.

On motion by Miss de Rhé-Philipe, seconded by Mr. T.R. Sturgis,

Resolved:

- (1) *To note the size of the proposed housing development on land at Pockeredge Farm and Peel Circus, Corsham.*
- (2) *To note that there has been strong opposition to the proposed development.*
- (3) *To note that determination of this particular planning application is the preserve of North Wiltshire District Council as the relevant local planning authority.*
- (4) *To note that all major residential development has potential service implications for the County Council which have to be addressed.*
- (5) *To accept that it is impracticable to obtain committee reaction to planning applications on which the County Council is consulted.*

- (6) *To express confidence in present arrangements whereby County Council officers provide professional advice in respect of new development.*
- (7) *To make no change, therefore, to current delegated authorities to officers in respect of responses to referred planning applications.*

20. **Notice of Motion from Mr. P.G. Allnatt: Rural Buffers and New Schools** At County Council on 21st November 2000, Mr. Allnatt moved the following motion which was referred to the Environment & Transport Committee for consideration and report:

“Council congratulates the Salisbury District Council on its robust defence of the countryside and calls for a full inquiry by the appropriate Scrutiny Sub-Committee into the action by the Leader of the Council, Councillor P. Chalke, in promoting such penetration without a committee decision of this Council.”

The Environment & Transport Committee received the motion at its meeting on 13th December 2000. At the suggestion of Mr. Allnatt and with the agreement of the Chairman, it was resolved to refer the motion back to the County Council without comment.

On motion by Miss M.F. de Rhé-Philipe, seconded by Mr. T.R. Sturgis,

Resolved: Whilst the Council prizes the preservation of the countryside, it acknowledges that members are often keen to explore the possibilities of service improvements in their own localities and would not wish to smother initiative on the part of members promoting projects for the benefit of local communities.

21. **Motion by Mr. J.N.B. Irving: Floods** At County Council on 21st November 2000, Mr. Irving moved the following motion which was referred to the Environment & Transport Committee for consideration and report:

“In view of the recent serious flooding in Wiltshire that Council be informed of what strategic measures are planned to alleviate any future such crises.”

The Environment & Transport Committee received the motion at its meeting on 13th December 2000. At the suggestion of Mr. Irving and with the agreement of the Chairman, it was resolved to refer the County Emergency Planning Officer’s report in response to Mr. Irving’s motion, back to the County Council without comment.

On considering a paper and on motion by Miss M.F. de Rhé-Philipe, seconded by Mr T.R. Sturgis,

Resolved:

- (1) *To note the County Emergency Planning Officer’s report;*
- (2) *To agree that the confusion over responsibilities for flooding is unhelpful, and to continue pressure, through the LGA, for urgent clarification from the Government;*

- (3) *To ask the officers to continue their efforts to agree working protocols and procedures with the Wiltshire district councils, the Environment Agency, the emergency services and, if possible, the utility companies, with a view to any future flooding being clearly co-ordinated by public agencies so far as possible within the current unsatisfactory legal framework.*
- (4) *To note the seminar being arranged by the County Emergency Planning Officer on this subject for 2nd March for elected members from all three tiers of local government*

22. **Motion by Mr. J.N.B. Irving: Crisis Management** At County Council on 21st November 2000, Mr. Irving moved the following motion which was referred to the Environment & Transport Committee for consideration and report:

“That Council be informed if any alterations to current procedures for emergency command and control are planned as a result of experiences gained during the recent fuel crisis.”

The Environment & Transport Committee received the motion at its meeting on 13th December 2000. At the suggestion of Mr. Irving and with the agreement of the Chairman, it was resolved to refer the County Emergency Planning Officer's report in response to Mr. Irving's motion, back to the County Council without comment.

On considering a paper and on motion by Miss M.F. de Rhé-Philipe, seconded by Mr. T.R. Sturgis,

Resolved:

- (1) *To note the fuel crisis in September 2000 was handled well in Wiltshire;*
- (2) *To note that since the crisis, more robust national fuel delivery plans have been formulated;*
- (3) *To accept there is no need to change the emergency command and control structure or procedures.*

- 23. **Report of the Salisbury Transportation Plan Joint Committee** (6th November, 2000) Received.
- 24. **Questions: Salisbury Transportation Plan Joint Committee** The Vice-Chairman of the Joint Committee responded to a question from Mrs. Jay under Standing Order 15.1 regarding minute No.34 and the resources available to implement the Plan.
- 25. **Report of the Policy & Resources and Environment & Transport Scrutiny Sub-Committee** (24th November 2000) Received.
- 26. **Report of the Education and Social Services Scrutiny Sub-Committee** (30th November 2000 and 25th January 2001) Received.

27. **Questions: Wiltshire Police Authority** None received.
28. **Questions: Wiltshire & Swindon Fire Authority** None received.
29. **Notices of Motions**

- (1) **Mr. T.P. Chivers: Privatised Rail Industry** In accordance with the notice of motion given by Mr. T.P. Chivers, Mr. P.G. Allnatt moved and Mr. P.R. Davis seconded:

“Due to the lack of confidence that the public have in the privatised rail industry, this Council writes to Mr. John Prescott and all other party spokesmen urging them to take urgent steps to bring all parts of the rail industry back under public ownership.”

The Chairman referred the motion to the Environment & Transport Committee for consideration and report.

- (2) **Mr. J.E. Syme: Litter on Highway Verges** In accordance with the notice of motion given by him, Mr. J.E. Syme moved and Mr. C. Newbury seconded:

“The amount of litter on highway verges has reached an unacceptable level. The appearance of our countryside is being damaged by this problem.

- (i) Council agrees to take positive steps to tighten up existing litter picking policies and to consult more closely with the district councils.
- (ii) Council agrees to carry out a litter picking exercise in conjunction with the district council.”

The Chairman referred the motion to the Environment & Transport Committee for consideration and report.

- (3) **Mrs. M.E.M. Groom: Park and Ride at Junction 16 of the M4** In accordance with the notice of motion given by her, Mrs. Groom moved and Mr. T.R. Sturgis seconded:

“In view of previous motions on the subject, namely that the site of the park and ride at Junction 16 of the M4 (proposed at Spittleborough Farm) should be reconsidered.

And in view of:

- (i) The results of the survey on the proposed park and ride at this site.
- (ii) The chartered town planner’s opinion that the proposed park and ride at this site is inappropriate.

- (iii) The draft regional planning guidance which seeks protection for historic towns.
- (iv) The overwhelming evidence presented at the public inquiry where not one member of the public spoke in favour of this proposed park and ride:
 - (a) It is proposed that the decision to transfer highway powers to Swindon Borough Council regarding the Spittleborough Farm site be and hereby is rescinded; and
 - (b) That no Authority is given pursuant to Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, to delegate compulsory purchase powers contained in Sections 32 and 40 of the Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984, to Swindon Borough Council”

The Chairman referred the motion to the Environment & Transport Committee for consideration and report.

(Duration of meeting : 10.30 a.m. - 1.10 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. - 3.10 p.m.)

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