ITEM 7

COUNCIL 21 May 2008

MINUTE EXTRACT

28/08 Notices of Motion

3. Animal Enclosure at Allestree Park

It was moved by Councillor Willoughby, and seconded, that plans to close the animal enclosure area by Allestree Hall in Allestree Park, as a consequence of the introduction of peripatetic park ranger services have been met with considerable hostility by members of the public from across the City.

The educational value of this facility, particularly for young children, and the benefit it provides to all residents of the City of Derby to view animals and to learn about them is an important aspect of the learning experience of people of all ages and one which should be protected by this Council. The animal enclosure at the Park has become a much cherished feature of the Park and is well visited and supported by the public.

The saving likely to be accrued from closing this facility will only be around £5000 and will be wholly disproportionate to the loss of the facility and the enjoyment it provides to both children and adults across Derby.

Council therefore requests Cabinet to immediately review the decision to implement this budget cut and to maintain this useful facility within Allestree Park.

In accordance with Rule CP68, it was demanded by at least ten members that the vote on the motion be recorded.

The following members voted for the motion:

The Mayor (Councillor Jackson), Councillors Allen, Batey, Baxter, Bayliss, Berry, Bolton, Care, Carr, Chera, Dhindsa, Ginns, Grimadell, Harwood, Hickson, Higginbottom, Hird, Holmes, Ingall, Jennings, Jones, F Khan, R Khan, Latham, Leeming, Lowe, Marshall, Naitta, Nath, Poulter, Rawson, Repton, Richards, Roberts, Shanker, Skelton, Troup, Tuplin, Webb, Williams, Willoughby, Winter, Wood (43)

The following members voted against the motion:

Councillors Graves, Redfern, Turner (3)

The following members abstained:

Councillors Hussain, Williamson (2)

Councillors Banwait and Mitchell were absent from Chamber when the recorded vote was taken.

The motion was declared carried.

Resolved that plans to close the animal enclosure area by Allestree Hall in Allestree Park, as a consequence of the introduction of peripatetic park ranger services have been met with considerable hostility by members of the public from across the City.

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