

WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 27 November 2002 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Gill (Chair); Councillors Aujla, Mrs Begg, Boad, Mrs Boad, Butler, Caborn, Cleaver, Cockburn, Coker, Mrs Compton, Crowther, Darmody, Davis, Dray, Mrs Evans, Ms Flanagan, Gifford, Golby, Mrs Goode, Hammon, Harris, Holland, Kent, Kirton, Kohler, Mrs Leddy, Mrs McFarland, Shilton, Tamlin, Thomas and Windybank.

509. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Byrd, Copping, Doody, Evans, Guest, Mrs Hodgetts, MacKay, Roberts, Short and Talbot.

510. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 30 October 2002, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chair.

511. **AIRPORT PROPOSALS**

It was moved by Councillor Crowther and duly seconded that for the consideration of this item, in accordance with the Council's Procedure Rule 31, the Procedure Rules be suspended.

On a vote being taken, the proposal was declared carried.

The Council then considered the report from Planning and Engineering setting out a proposed response to the consultation documents on "The Future Development of Air Transport in the United Kingdom". The documents described the anticipated demand for air travel over the next 30 years, the possible implication for air services and new airport infrastructure, and the potential economic, environmental and social impacts of such an infrastructure. The documents invited comments to be submitted by the end of November.

At the invitation of the Chair, the Monitoring Officer explained to Members the position regarding any potential declarations of interest that they might have. He also explained that the Planning Committee would be considering the current planning application for the renewal of the planning consent at Coventry Airport and that the planning aspects of the application should not be discussed at the meeting since this could, potentially, prejudice the discussion by the Planning Committee of the application.

COUNCIL MINUTES (Continued)

The Chairman then invited members of the public to comment on the proposals contained in the consultation document and presentations were made by Mr Peter Claisse, Mr Steven Evans, Mrs Pam Redford, and Mr John Border.

The Head of Planning and Engineering then presented his report and commented further on the process which would be followed in relation to the planning application for Coventry Airport.

It was then moved by Councillor Tamlin and duly seconded that the recommendations contained in the report setting out the Council's response to the Government's consultation on the future development of air transport, be adopted.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the proposals outlining the Council's response be approved and adopted subject to the inclusion of the words "and controlled" after the word "progressive" in the response set out in paragraph 12.4 of the report.

(The meeting ended at 7.45 pm)

CHAIR