
MOTIONS ON NOTICE PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12

- 1 From Councillors P F A Webster, T G Cutmore, Mrs L Barber, Mrs R Brown, Mrs T J Capon, T E Goodwin, J E Grey, A J Humphries, C A Hungate, Mrs L Hungate, C C Langlands, Mrs M D McCarthy, G A Mockford, P K Savill, J Thomass and Mrs M J Webster**

The Proper Officer reports that, pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 12, the following Motion has been received from the above named Councillors:-

“Rochford District Council regrets that the Home Energy Conservation Bill has been withdrawn from the Parliamentary timetable. The Bill would have been of positive public benefit in delivering warm, safe, energy-saving homes to residents in Rochford and throughout the country, provided the Government made available adequate resources to Local Authorities to meet their obligations. On that basis the Council resolved last year to urge local Members of Parliament to support the Bill.

Council notes that this Bill has support from the Members of three main political parties and Help the Aged, Unison, Friends of the Earth and many other organisations, such as the British Energy Efficiency Federation.

Council agrees that a copy of this resolution be sent to local Members of Parliament and the Local Government Association.”

- 2 From Councillors Mrs M S Vince, Mrs M A Weir and Mrs M J Webster**

The Proper Officer reports that, pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 12, the following Motion has been received from the above named Councillors:-

"ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL'S CHARTER FOR THE WELFARE OF ANIMALS

This Council recognises the needs of animals and condemns the infliction of unreasonable pain or suffering, restriction of normal behaviour or curtailing needs.

As an enforcement agency, this Council has specific duties and powers which it seeks to use in an effective and fair way. It recognises that there are many situations where the enforcement of standards rests with other bodies. However, this Council believes that it has a community leadership role in furthering the welfare of all animals.

Council instructs Officers to draft an Animal Welfare Charter, to be further considered by the Community Overview & Scrutiny Committee."

3 From the Conservative Group

The Proper Officer reports that, pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 12, the following Motion has been received from the Conservative Group:-

"This Council notes with regret the recent appeal decision on land at Sadlers Farm Roundabout between the A13 and London Road, Bowers Gifford in Basildon District. Under that appeal decision a Government Inspector has quashed an enforcement notice made by Basildon Council and allowed the establishment of a gypsy caravan site on land within the Green Belt. This Council expresses sympathy with Basildon District Council on this matter, given that similar issues are now before this Authority.

Given these circumstances this Council makes further representations to the Government to secure the tightening of the planning enforcement system to deal with unauthorised activities such as that at Bedloes Corner, or the junction of the A130 and Rawreth Lane."

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Background Papers: Notices Received

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