

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 8TH FEBRUARY 2022

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF MOTION – CROSSING PATROLS POLICY

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR EDUCATION AND CORPORATE

SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the Notice of Motion as set out in paragraph 5.1 of the report and make an appropriate recommendation to Council. In accordance with Rule 11(3) of the Constitution.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 A Notice of Motion has been received from Councillor Kevin Etheridge and is supported by Councillors A. Farina-Childs, G Simmonds, B Owen, D. Cushing, T. Parry and N. Dix, R Gough
- 2.2 The Notice of Motion meets the criteria set out in the Council's Constitution and in accordance with the Council's Rules of Procedure is now referred to the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee for consideration, prior to its consideration by Council.

3. RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee are asked to consider the notice of motion the Notice of Motion as outlined in paragraph 5.1 and make an appropriate recommendation to Council.

4. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

4.1 In accordance with the Council's Constitution.

5. THE REPORT

5.1 Notice of Motion

Councillor Etheridge in his notice of motion requests a review of the School Crossing Patrols process undertaken by CCBC when a crossing patrol vacancy arises after the existing post holder has left or has retired. We believe the evaluation does not consider various factors including the number of entrances to the school, engagement and consultation with schools, parents and governors and concentrates on main entrances only.

5.2 Councillor Etheridge also provided the following information in relation to the motion:

The current review process has caused much distress and upset which has been keenly felt with the withdrawal of the service at Blackwood Primary School, and we ask for the school crossing role to be reinstated. At the time of its survey by Highways Officers, we understand attendance at the school was at only 87% and many more children were observed entering the school that were not added to the data, having walked around perimeter or not crossing at the survey location. We wish the Well Being of Future Generations Act regarding the safety of children to also be considered, we believe that this warrants a second look at the review/survey process for School Crossing Patrols.

6. ASSUMPTIONS

As a notice of motion is a procedural matter and must be dealt with in accordance with Council's Constitution, no assumptions have been made.

7. SUMMARY OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 This report does not require an Integrated Impact Assessment as it relates to a procedural matter under the Councils Constitution.
- 7.2 The procedural rules regarding a Notice of Motion are contained within Council's Constitution as adopted in May 2002. The Council's Constitution sets out the framework for the decision-making roles and responsibilities.
- 7.3 However the outcome of the Notice of Motion and any subsequent reports arising from it may require an Integrated Impact Assessment.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

9. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no personnel implications associated with this report.

10. CONSULTATIONS

10.1 There has been no consultation undertaken.

11. STATUTORY POWER

11.1 Local Government Act 2000

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Appendices: Appendix 1 Signed copy of Notice of Motion.