



Economic Prosperity, Environment and Highways Board
26 January 2016

Referral of County Council Motion (Item 9 iv)

Purpose of the report: To debate a County Council Motion which was referred to the Economic Prosperity, Environment and Highways Board for consideration.

Introduction:

1. At the 8 December 2015 County Council meeting it was agreed that an original motion put forward by Hazel Watson would be referred to the Economic Prosperity, Environment and Highways Board for consideration.

2. The Motion is as follows-

"Council notes that when roads are surface dressed in order to prolong the life of roads by sealing them and to save money before a full resurfacing, the road surface becomes noisier for residents living nearby.

This Council requests the Cabinet to amend its policy to take into account not just cost but also the quality of life of residents, including noise levels of different road surfaces when deciding on different types of materials and processes for surface dressing or full road resurfacing.'

3. It was agreed by the Chairman of the Economic Prosperity, Environment and Highways Board that this motion would be debated at the Board's meeting on 26 January 2016. Hazel Watson has been invited to the meeting along with relevant officers from the service. Background information relating to the issues raised in the motion is attached as an annex to this report.

Recommendations:

- a) That the Economic Prosperity, Environment and Highways Board debate the referred County Council Motion from Hazel Watson and report back to County Council at its next meeting.

Next steps:

Any outcomes regarding the motion will be reported to the next County Council meeting.

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Sources/background papers:

Annex 1- Officer Report relating to Motion