ITEM 6

Motions from Council

19 January 2011

3) Local Studies Library and Silk Mill Museum – Approved as amended to read:

"The Council notes that the Local Studies Library building needs to be closed and that there is a similar amount of unused floor space in the Silk Mill Museum. It therefore petitions the Cabinet to consider the Silk Mill Museum as the location for the Local Studies Library.

This proposal could be a cost effective way of keeping Derby's Silk Mill Museum open as a prime tourist attraction in the future, while providing an integrated service for users of both facilities."

(5) Wild Derby Project – Approved as amended to read:

"2010 was the International Year of Biodiversity. The United Nations considers the threat to wildlife to be so serious that it has immediately followed up by launching the International Decade of Biodiversity. This Council accepts that, when times get tough, it is wrong to take it out in the environment and let future generations live with the consequences.

This Council acknowledges and celebrates the excellent work done by the Wild Derby project in promoting and protecting biodiversity in the city despite having only a very small budget to work with. Therefore, in developing budget proposals, the Council asks the Cabinet to protect the modest budget needed for the Wild Derby project and not to sacrifice the future for our short term benefit."

(6) Health and Wellbeing Board - Approved

The establishment of the Health and Wellbeing Board provides an opportunity for closer working between the Council and the NHS. The aim should be to work together so that the resources of the two organisations are used to the maximum benefit of Derby's citizens.

The Government has allocated £3.2m to Derby via the NHS to support social care in the city. It is vital that this finance is used to address the social care problems of each organisation, such as enablement and intermediate care, where the interface between the Council and the NHS must work well to avoid such problems as bed blocking.

Council therefore calls on the Cabinet to ensure that collaborative working with the NHS makes best use of the resources and infrastructure of both organisations. Furthermore, any planned changes in provision made for budgetary reasons are thought through holistically and do not end up costing more money either elsewhere or in the future.

(7) Rowditch Recreation Ground - Approved

It is recognised that from time to time that an Administration may need to move financial resources from one area to another.

However, Council is concerned that the removal of the Rowditch Recreation Ground Capital funding programme to meet the additional costs of improvements to the Alvaston Park changing facilities may result in a lost opportunity for improvements to the Rowditch Park Facility.

Council recognises that the Rowditch Recreation Grounds are in an area in need of much improvement. Council therefore requests the Council Cabinet together with the Director of Resources, to make available the reserved sums for the Rowditch Recreation Ground scheme as soon as a decision has been made on the Barracks building.