


1. SOLWAY AVENUE/DEPUTATION FROM LOCAL RESIDENTS



On behalf of some local residents, Messrs Ross Harland and Peter Cumming were present to discuss the decision of the Community Board (August 2004) to initiate the design and construction of the angle parking project on Solway Avenue between Parkstone Avenue and Dalrye Place.

When the Community Board made its decision in August to proceed with this project, the members were aware that some local residents were strongly opposed to the work on the grounds that they considered there had not been sufficient consultation and technical justification for the work to proceed.

The Board's decision was passed on a division which did reflect some unease amongst a minority of members that the community consultation feedback had not given justice to those who had expressed opposition or concerns with the work proposed.

Both Messrs Harland and Cumming presented written information and photographs to substantiate their request for the Board to overturn the previous decision and to not have this work proceed.

The Board also heard from the consultation engineer, Hamish Peacock, who had provided a further report to the Board in which he addressed some of the concerns of the deputation.

In discussion, the majority of members expressed the view that the technical reasons to support the project being taken to design and construction phase could not now be substantiated, and acknowledged the concerns of local residents requiring more serious consideration.

Accordingly, the Board has decided to reverse its August decision in respect of the Solway Avenue project, and the following recommendation for Council reflects this.

Board

Recommendation: That the Solway Avenue angle parking project not now proceed.