

Question from Mr W. M. Sharpe

Reply from the Chair:-

It is not the role of the Scrutiny Committee Resources to review or revise decisions taken by the Planning Committee. That committee discussed at considerable length the relative merits of alternative options before reaching their decision. Planning Committee was provided with estimates of the costs of the proposed scheme both for the CCTV and for the footpath and landscaping elements by the respective officers expert in these fields. The reasoning behind the Planning Committee decision is recorded in the minutes of that committee and can be consulted via the City Council's website.

The role of the Scrutiny Committee Resources as it relates to this question is to ensure there is sufficient overall budget provision for the decision made by the Planning Committee. I can confirm that this is what occurred.