

**CITY CENTRE DEVELOPMENT
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

26 September 2007
(5.30pm – 6.40pm)

PRESENT: Councillors Boyce, Dixon (Chair), Hart, J Rosenstiel, Shah
(alternate member)
Also present: The Leader, Councillor Nimmo-Smith (for Ex Cllr for Customer
Services and Resources Cllr Cantrill who was absent).
Councillor C. Rosenstiel

07/CCD/01 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 July 2006 were confirmed by the
Scrutiny Committee and signed by the Chair.

07/CCD/02 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Durrant and Levy.

03/CCD/03 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Dixon declared a personal interest under the Code of Conduct for
Councillors as he was in receipt of a pension from the Universities
Superannuation Scheme.

07/CCD/04 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No members of the public were present.

07/CCD/05 GRAND ARCADE UPDATE

The Scrutiny Committee noted that the official opening of Fisher Square was
planned for 6 December (para 1.10).

The Head of Property and Building Services advised the Scrutiny Committee
that the Head Lease had been completed on 1 June (para 2.1 of addendum
report published 21 September).

Referring to the streetscape works for St Andrew Street, the Leader asked
that the County Council be made aware of the concern from the City Council
and Grosvenor that the quality of work matches that of the Grand Arcade.

In discussion on the way finding improvements in the City Centre, the Chair
requested that ward councillors be notified.

In response to questions about vacant units in Lion Yard as a result of
retailers moving to Grand Arcade, the City Centre Manager advised the
Scrutiny Committee that an element of re-location had been expected but
Lion Yard was confident that vacant units would be re-let.

07/CCD/06 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC**Resolved -**

The Scrutiny Committee excluded the press and public under category 3 as defined in the Council's Constitution (and as defined in the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

06/CCD/07 LION YARD DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

(Nb. The Chair took the public report at the same time as the appendices as no members of the public were present prior for the duration of the meeting). The Scrutiny Committee noted the financial implications and Council's consultant's report which had been circulated on 21 September. Members re-iterated previous comments (July 2006) about the importance of provision and suitable location of public toilets in the newly configured Lion Yard.

The Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations for the Leader by 5 votes to 0.

The Leader agreed the recommendations.

The meeting ended at 6.40pm.

CHAIR