Council: 15 July 2008

Motion (8.7): Cllr. Kath McGuirk

Amendment: Cllr. Andrew Harper

Delete all after 1st paragraph. Insert the following:

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Substantive Motion to read:

Under Standing Order Part 4, Section 1, 31.5: if my item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting I ask that it be voted upon at the council meeting.

Improving public transport in Barnet

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