

**Item 8 - Question Time**

To the Leader of the Council

Due to public pressure and lobbying, I am requesting you to bring a report to either the City of Inverness Area Committee or other appropriate Committee on the procedures that were followed in giving delegated planning consent to the project on the Inverness River at the commencement of the Christmas holidays 2018/19?

Response to Mr B Boyd

I can confirm that the majority of planning applications are determined in accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegation to Officers and follow the same procedure. Around 96% of all decisions are taken by Officers and therefore the processing of applications in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation is the norm.

I do not consider that it is necessary to take a paper to the City of Inverness Area Committee or any other Committee on this matter; however I am happy to request Planning Officials meet with you and other interested Members to receive a briefing on how such planning applications are processed.