

Good evening Madam Mayor, Councillors and fellow Liverpudlians

NOMO 02 Pls *note struck words were not completed due to Cllr interjection*

As Cllr Lucas is deeply concerned by the impost of the Carbon Tax could he consider asking the GM to provide additional information regarding the impost on council of the proposed 17% to electricity charges from the present state government on the people of Liverpool, despite there being no compensation to the community for the additional 17%? In that directing the GM to provide such costs include how the council will be funding the increased 17%? And to ask the GM to include in the April 2012 report just how the 17% will be passed onto the community as he does with the carbon tax and include any additional cost shifting being place on our community by the present State Government? To me and those I've spoken ~~with the 17% is far more serious a concern than is a fully compensated .07%~~

Nomo 04, 10, CORS 06, Plan 01

On a couple of occasions throughout this meeting Councillor's will be asked to initiate plans to remove the community from advisory positions on or for Council. Nomo 4 is in effect to remove the community's ability to elect their own mayor, even though this was taken to a referendum and an overwhelming number of the community elected that they chose the mayor by majority vote, ~~and in~~ Nomo 10 that community/business representatives be removed from the committee for confidentiality reasons even though said members sign the exact same confidentiality document Councillors do and any breaches in the past have been by Councillor's not the community/business members and to consider carefully the implication that they are moving towards an even more secretive and hidden processes and to preclude actual business representation on this committee simply to accommodate Councillor Lucas's ~~Paused for interjection~~ overwhelming desire to remove the public & open community participation, add to this CORS 5 councils new direction of canceling 2 out of every 3 community forums and replacing them with fewer groups and information sessions at the behest of council officers not as they are now an opportunity for the residents to seek information and share ideas. I am concerned this council is moving quickly to a position of even greater secrecy and even less transparency and I urge Councillor's to tread lightly especially as a transparent and forward moving council is more likely to be

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re-elected and a secretive and a council hidden behind closed doors would be one likely to be seen as less trustworthy and certainly less transparent.

When Plan 01 Coopers Paddock is addressed this evening I am hopeful the community's views are taken into account as this has had perhaps the largest or at least one of the largest community outcries of any publicly exhibited DA's in the past 4 years.

CORS 05

I commend the council staff on their investigations regarding the code of meeting practice and support the 5 minute time limit for speakers however as I have mentioned on other occasions and although not considered a submission it is imperative that there be no limit to the number of speakers especially in light of the removal of other forms of interaction as I've already mentioned and that the only place any member of the community can speak with all Councillor's at once is at a council meeting.

In closing, council is not a private club even though some may prefer it that way and your job is to represent the community not personal or political expediencies.

Thankyou !

Request to speak on the following motions.

NOMO 02 questions for Councillor's

NOMO 04 Object to the usurping of the community's referenda result

NOMO 10 Object to removal of Community representatives

CORS 05 support

CORS 06 OBJECT

PLAN 01 support