## Agenda Item 7

## PLANNING AND TRAVEL COMMITTEE REPORT (Chairman - Roy Denney)

Things have remained busy. We are advising the Broadnook Partnership on their plans for a major development near Rothley and continue to monitor the Network rail crossings situation and await developments re HS2.

We have also responded to a national consultation on Rural Planning

The East Midlands freight gateway enquiry result has been announced with the Minister agreeing the application. Whilst our requests were not agreed we got an honourable mention and our points were addressed in the formal response.

The authorities in the county of Leicestershire are about to send in a formal request to Government for Combined Authority status. If approved one of the areas where they will work together strategically is transport and hopefully the Ivanhoe line might be back on the agenda for passenger use.

North West Leicestershire district plan is out for consultation and we have fed our suggestions into the system

We are engaged with Blaby DC and the developers on the rights of way and open spaces elements of the Lubbesthorpe development and public transport was raised.

We had informal discussions with Wilson Bowden about footpath diversions around a commercial development in Glenfield and submitted our views to Blaby DC in respect of that planning application. Some were adopted as conditions and the developers have indicated they will follow the others. We have also written to Blaby DC offering help with the design of the rights of way and permissive paths in a new country park being created at Countesthorpe and they are to let us have their draft plans for comment.