

Item 12: Question Time

To the Chair of Environment, Development and Infrastructure

“There are proposals in Ross and Cromarty to charge for some car parking in different areas. This is on the premise that the relevant community will receive a large percentage of the income generated from the car park charges. This was agreed in a previous committee and now needs to be confirmed as to the exact percentage split. Please provide me with the figure that the Administration is proposing?”

Response to Ms M Smith

As part of the budget setting process, discussions are underway to determine what the percentage split of any additional income generated at a local level would be. This is closely tied to the wider discussion on decision making in local areas and how to enable greater involvement and decision making locally. As noted in items 14 and 15 on the agenda, a Member seminar will be held in January to consider the future look of the organisation to ensure that we have a structure to deliver against the key aims in the Programme, including a particular focus on including local communities in decision making and income generation.