COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2006

Motion Submitted Under Standing Order D1(1)

Notice of Motion submitted by the Labour Group

Streetscene and Townscape, Kidderminster and Stourport

"Council,

Cognisant of the results of the Worcestershire Visitor Survey 2005, which rated Kidderminster the poorest town in the county in the categories "upkeep" and "litter clearance", and rated Stourport second worst for litter clearance,

acknowledging that Worcestershire County Council underperforms significantly in its duty to maintain the appearance of its infrastructure in Kidderminster and Stourport town centres,

and accepting that the 2006/7 Corporate Plan priority "Keeping public spaces clean" is not being achieved in the centres of Kidderminster and Stourport,

resolves,

- 1. to join the Local Government Association's "Reputation of Local Government" campaign, as one means by which it can learn from other authorities how to improve performance,
- 2. to improve partnership working with the County Council,
- 3. to lobby the County Council to improve its maintenance provision in Kidderminster and Stourport town centres,
- 4. to carry out an audit of Kidderminster town centre in order to create an "upkeep" priority list applicable to both public and private sectors, and
- 5. to give serious consideration to increasing resources for litter clearance in the 2007/8 budget."