

9. NOTICE OF MOTION - UNDERGROUND REFUSE SCHEME -
SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR FRANK ANDERSON

The Council considered a motion (copies of which had been circulated) submitted by Councillor Frank Anderson in the following terms :-

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- Moved by Councillor Frank Anderson and seconded by Councillor Diane Calder

Councillor Conn, who had an amendment to the motion, intimated that he would be willing to agree a composite motion. Thereafter, the following was agreed :-

Composite Motion

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- Officers to also prepare a report on the provision of ground level external waste bin enclosures, timber fence or similar material, with suitable landscape screening and associated costs etc.
- Moved by Councillor Frank Anderson and seconded by Councillor Tom Conn

Decision

To unanimously approve the terms of the composite motion