

## **National Forest Line**

Cabinet received a report on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2009 on the operational and upgrade costs of reintroducing passenger services on the Leicester to Burton railway line.

The Cabinet resolved: That, whilst it is accepted that the reintroduction of passenger railway services on the Leicester to Burton railway line is a valid long-term aspiration, no further action be taken by the County Council for the time being, in view of the likely financial impact on the Council.

And the reason for the decision was: There is ongoing interest in this proposal from many stakeholders and the County Council needs to make its position clear. The studies suggest that the capital costs needed to reintroduce passenger services to the line will be in the order of £55m and there will be a revenue subsidy of £4m per year, which would have to be met locally.