

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE** held on 28 February 2017 at County Hall, Matlock.

**PRESENT**

Cabinet Member – Councillor D Collins

An apology for absence was received from Councillor S A Spencer

**27/17      PETITION      RESOLVED** (1) to receive the under-mentioned petition:-

<u>Location/Subject</u>	<u>Signatures</u>	<u>Local Member</u>
Opposition to the Proposed Planning Application for the Pay and Display Restrictions on Bridge Street, Buxton	154	Councillor T Kemp

and (2) that the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Communities considers the petition with any other responses on the consultation for the pay and display proposals in Buxton.

**28/17      MINUTES      RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Infrastructure held on 7 February 2017 be confirmed as a correct record.

**29/17      PETITION – A514, HARTSHORNE - REQUEST FOR MEASURES TO REDUCE SPEEDING TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE**

Following receipt of a petition requesting measures to reduce speeding on the A514, Hartshorne, investigations have been undertaken.

The Police database, recording all collisions resulting in injury, revealed that there have been two incidents on the A514 (30mph) through Hartshorne in the last three years (the standard test period for assessment). One collision occurred on the acute bend at the A514 junction with Manchester Lane, where a northbound vehicle crossed the centre line and struck an oncoming vehicle and the other collision occurred to the east of The Mill Wheel public house, involving one vehicle. Previous speed surveys have concluded that average speeds here were generally compliant with the governing speed limit. Whilst any collision was regrettable, the

history through Hartshorne compared favourably to other sections of the A514 and other A class roads in the County.

Existing measures to inform motorists of the potential hazards included sharp deviation of route chevron boards, bend and double bend warning signs, 'SLOW' carriageway markings and deflection arrows ahead of double white line markings (located where forward visibility was severely reduced). School Safety Zone signage along with an advisory 20mph speed limit and flashing amber warning lamps, further 'SLOW' markings and school crossing patrol warning signs have also been provided on the approaches to Hartshorne Primary School. The relatively good collision history suggested that these measures continued to have a beneficial effect in terms of road safety.

**RESOLVED** that (1) the request for further speed reduction measures on the A514 at Hartshorne be refused for the reasons set out in the report; and

(2) the Local Member and lead petitioner be advised accordingly.

**30/17      ADDITION TO THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2016-17 LODGE HOUSE, SMALLEY (SURFACE COAL MINE) – REINSTATEMENT OF ACCESS**

Derbyshire County Council's ALLRoads have supplied an estimate to UKCSMR Limited for restoring the kerbs and verge on the highway at the access to Lodge House following completion of the opencast work and as required by the Section 278 Agreement. The cost of the works has been estimated at £26,451.48 and approval was requested to add the scheme to the 2016-17 Capital Programme.

**RESOLVED** to approve the inclusion of the scheme, to restore the highway access to Lodge House following completion of the Smalley opencast operation, to the 2016-17 Capital Programme.

**31/17      AWARD OF GRANTS TO EXTERNAL RECIPIENTS**

**RESOLVED** to approve the award of grant of £74.50 to Mr Roome.

**32/17      NATURAL ENGLAND CAPITAL FUNDING FOR RESTORATION OF THE CROMFORD AND HIGH PEAK RAILWAY WHEEL PIT**

The County Council and Natural England signed a 10 year Higher Level Environmental Stewardship Agreement for grant funding for the management of land at Countryside sites in the west and south of Derbyshire in 2013.

The Agreement covered both annual management and a four year work programme, which included the £35,600 grant funding for the restoration of the historic Cromford and High Peak Railway Wheel Pit at High Peak Junction workshops. The Wheel Pit was in a declining condition and now in need of work to ensure the longevity of the fabric and restore/conservé each component to a good standard in accordance with the recommendations made in Hancock Wheeldon & Ascough structural appraisal report.

Whilst it was anticipated that costs would not significantly differ from the original grant offer, any shortfall at the tender stage would be borne from the Countryside Service Revenue Budget.

**RESOLVED** that the restoration of the Cromford and High Peak Railway Wheel Pit at High Peak Junction be added to the 2016-17 Capital Programme.

**33/17 PROVIDING BOLSOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL WITH CONSERVATION APPRAISAL ADVICE**

The Conservation and Design Section at Derbyshire County Council has been approached by officers from Bolsover District Council (BDC) to see if there was the potential for Officer resource from the Section to help support their Conservation Area Appraisal review process.

The Senior Conservation Officer (SCO) in the County Council's Conservation and Design Section, was, and has been, responsible for the day to day running of the conservation grant schemes the County Council administers. As part of the re-profiling of the SCO's work, in part due to the decrease in grant administration, a Service Level Agreement (SLA) has been entered into with Amber Valley Borough Council to supply it with conservation consultancy one day a week. The County Council was remunerated for this service. It was thought that 3 days over 2 weeks would be sufficient to service BDC's request. To ensure this did not put undue pressure on the Conservation and Design Section's core work, BDC was willing to trial a period of 3 months to see if the workload could be accommodated. This period would run from 1 March to 31 May 2017 and include 20 days consultancy.

If the additional workload could be accommodated without adversely impacting on the Conservation and Design Section's core work, then a further report will be brought to the Cabinet Member seeking to enter into a Service Level Agreement to formalise the arrangement over a fixed period.

**RESOLVED** to approve (1) the entering into a three month trial with Bolsover District Council to support it undertaking Conservation Area Appraisals; and

(2) a cost of £4,656.08 plus mileage as an appropriate level of remuneration for the services outlined in the report.

**34/17 BUDGET MONITORING 2016-17 – PERIOD 9** The net controllable budget for the Highways, Transport and Infrastructure portfolio was £73.057m. The Revenue Budget Monitoring Statement, prepared at Period 9, indicated that there was a projected year end overspend of £0.872m. Within this overspend figure was an amount of £2.092m overspend on the provision of local bus services. It was agreed by Cabinet on 27 January 2015 and 26 January 2016 that up to £4.750m of the cost of this would be met from General Reserves over 2 years. If this was utilised, the forecast net underspend would be £1.220m.

The key variances included Highways Maintenance (projected overspend of £1.403m), Highways Management (projected underspend £0.836m), Transport and Travel (projected underspend £1.001m), Local Bus Services (overspend £2.092m), Waste Management (projected underspend £0.842m), Planning and Development (projected underspend £0.588m) and Resources and Improvement (projected underspend £0.522m) and unallocated budget of £1.491m.

Budget reductions totalling £7.371 had been allocated for the year for this portfolio. It was anticipated that £4.947m of these would have been achieved by the year end. Earmarked Reserves relating to this portfolio, totalling £26.047m were currently held to support future expenditure. Details of these reserves were provided in the report.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**35/17      EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC      RESOLVED** that the public, including the press, be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the remaining item on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of the kind of exempt information detailed in the following summary of proceedings:-

**SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC, INCLUDING THE PRESS, WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING**

1. To confirm the exempt Minutes of the meeting held on 7 February 2017.
2. To consider the exempt Report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Communities on Extension of the Provision of a Leachate Collection and Disposal Services Contract. (contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Authority holding that information))