

MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE** held on 8 September 2015 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Cabinet Member – Councillor D Collins

Also in attendance – Councillors J Owen and S A Spencer.

Councillor I Ratcliffe attended in relation to Minute 117/15.

110/15 PETITIONS RESOLVED (1) to receive the under-mentioned petitions:-

Location/Subject	Signatures	Local Member
Langwith Bassett Primary School – Speeding Issues	168	Councillor J Dixon
Stanfree, Oxcroft Lane – Request for Safety Measures	40	Councillors J Dixon and D McGregor

and (2) that the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment be asked to investigate the matters raised in the petitions.

111/15 MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for 28 July 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

112/15 PETITION – B6047 MAIN STREET, SHIREBROOK – REQUEST FOR A PEDESTRIAN CROSSING Following receipt of a petition requesting the provision of a pedestrian crossing on the B6047 Main Street, Shirebrook investigations have been undertaken.

Significant pedestrian activity was observed within the vicinity of the Shires Health Centre, accessed via Main Street. The existing bus stop opposite The Great Northern Hotel was also a well used facility and pedestrians were seen to cross the B6047 in proximity to the requested crossing location.

The most appropriate location for a controlled crossing, taking into account carriageway width and visibility, was outside the Great Northern Hotel. The brick built bus shelter would require relocating and upgrading. The scheme would need to be considered alongside other competing proposals.

RESOLVED that (1) a scheme to provide a Traffic Signal Controlled Puffin crossing and associated relocation works for the existing bus stop on the B6047 Main Street, Shirebrook is considered alongside the proposals for future capital programmes;

(2) officers carry out further investigations in respect of the Local Member's additional request for the provision of a pedestrian refuge further along the B6047, near to its junctions with Leen Valley Drive and Stinting Lane. If this is considered appropriate a further scheme bid for Capital funding will be made for inclusion in the 2016/17 Local Transport Plan;

(3) the Local Member and lead petitioner be informed of the decision; and

(4) the Local Member's concerns over vehicle speeds be passed to Derbyshire Constabulary for their attention.

113/15 PETITION – A619 CHATSWORTH ROAD, BRAMPTON, CHESTERFIELD – OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Following objections to the original proposals for Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) on A619 Chatsworth Road, Chesterfield revisions and new parking restrictions were now proposed.

Consultation has been carried out with statutory bodies and affected frontages along Chatsworth Road and two letters of objection were received. The advertisement of the amended proposals attracted three enquiries but no objections, however a petition was received 22 working days after the end of the statutory consultation period.

Whilst the scheme promoted a number of short stay one hour parking bays it also incorporated some two hour time limited parking bays. The proposals would help to achieve a successful balance between those wishing to park for a maximum of one hour and those seeking a longer stay to undertake their respective business.

RESOLVED that (1) the amended Traffic Regulation Order proposals, as advertised from 14 May to 5 June 2015, be implemented on-street on the A619 Chatsworth Road, Chesterfield:

(2) the Local Members, lead petitioner and members of the public who raised queries relating to the Traffic Regulation Order during the formal consultation period be informed of the decision; and

(3) the Cabinet Member approves the introduction of the Traffic Regulation Order and Bus Stop Improvement Works for Chatsworth Road, Chesterfield in the 2015-16 Capital Programme at a cost of £20,000.

114/15 PROPOSED PARKING BAY, RELOCATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL POLE AND AMENDMENTS TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS – OLD ROAD, CHATSWORTH ROAD, CHESTERFIELD

The proposal to introduce short stay waiting and double yellow lines on Old Road and Chatsworth Road, Chesterfield has been consulted on and public advertisement undertaken. One objection has been received from a person who works on Old Road.

Generally, the scheme has been met with approval, although concerns have been expressed about the route being congested and that narrowing the road down at this location would have a detrimental effect on ambulance access. The junction width would however, still allow a vehicle to wait comfortably in the running lane and there would be space for vehicles to manoeuvre. The parking bays would be available for all to use and would benefit local businesses as well as residents. There were currently no plans to extend the 'Residents' Only' parking scheme at present.

RESOLVED (1) to approve the introduction of a short stay parking bay, relocation of a traffic signal pole and proposed double yellow lines at the 'Old Road - Chatsworth Road Junction, Chesterfield, as shown on attached drawing No. HMT/BG/515/14, with funding from the 2014 – 15 Local Transport Plan Capital Programme at a cost of £20,000; and

(2) the Local Member, objector and the Chief Constable be notified of the decision.

115/15 EASTWOOD PARK DRIVE, HASLAND, CHESTERFIELD – PROPOSED 'NO WAITING AT ANY TIME'

The 'No Waiting at any Time' (Double Yellow Lines) on Eastwood Park Drive, Hasland, Chesterfield Traffic Regulation Order has been publicly advertised and five written objections received.

Finding a suitable and sensible place to terminate the restrictions has been challenging. It was appreciated that there might be some displaced parking, however the situation would be monitored and if severe problems emerged, further restrictions might be considered.

RESOLVED (1) to approve the introduction of the 'No Waiting at any Time' waiting restriction and the extension to the double yellow lines on two short sections on Eastwood Park Drive, as shown on attached drawing No. HMT/BG/201/15/REV 1, funded from the 2015–16 Capital Programme at a cost of £1,500; and

(2) that the Local Member, objectors and the Chief Constable be notified of the decision.

116/15 OBJECTIONS TO DOUBLE YELLOW LINES – ACRES VIEW CLOSE, CHESTERFIELD

Representations have been received from a Chesterfield Borough Councillor, on behalf of residents living on Acres View Close,

who had raised concerns over parked vehicles obscuring visibility at the junction of Acres View Close with Highfield Lane, Chesterfield.

The proposal to install double yellow lines for 10 metres on Acres View Close on both sides of the road and 9 metres west and 7 metres east respectively along Highfield Lane, has been advertised and three objections have been received.

RESOLVED (1) to approve the introduction of the 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions on Acres View Close, Chesterfield, as shown on the attached drawing number HMT/SMD/167/15, as part of the 2015-16 Capital Programme at a cost of £1,500; and

(2) that the Local Member, objectors and the Chief Constable be informed of the decision.

117/15 DERBY, DERBYSHIRE, PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY AND EAST STAFFORDSHIRE GYPSY AND TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION ASSESSMENT

Government policy on the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and Planning Policy for Traveller Sites (PPTS) required local planning authorities (LPAs) to carry out assessments of the future accommodation needs of gypsies and travellers, known as GTAAs.

A GTAA covering the administrative areas of Derby City, all Derbyshire and East Staffordshire borough and district councils, and the Peak District National Park Authority was jointly commissioned by Derbyshire County, Derby City and eight district and borough councils; Peak District National Park Authority; East Staffordshire Borough Council; and Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group, in August 2013.

RRR Consultancy Limited was commissioned to undertake the GTAA and the first draft report received comments from partners on the methodology, findings and overall robustness of the report. Further drafts, comments and meetings were held culminating in a final version of the GTAA in June 2015, which was circulated to partners who were requested to indicate whether their respective authorities would sign off the final report as a finished piece of evidence for subsequent publication.

A Position Statement (PS) on the GTAA 2014 was drafted by Derbyshire County Council's officers and circulated to partners to indicate it has a base date of 2014; provided a snapshot in time based largely on survey evidence collected between October 2013 and February 2014; represented a piece of evidence, which provides a starting point for considering pitch and plot requirements for gypsies, travellers and travelling show people in the study area for the period 2014-15 to 2034-35. This is a similar approach to the assessment of future needs for market and affordable housing, set out in the NPPF and National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG); and might be used by local authority partners to guide pitch and plot requirements in their local plans or as the basis for further bespoke

studies of their own, supplemented by other local survey and monitoring evidence in order to provide a more locally specific indication of need. Of the 13 partners 12 agreed to sign off the final report as a finished piece of evidence and agreed to its publication. East Staffordshire Borough Council, however, maintained its concerns relating to the GTAA's recommendations for transit pitch need on grounds that the consultant's additional work had not fully justified the need for transit site provision in its area, but accepted that the GTAA 2014 should be published on the basis that its concerns were reflected in the PS.

The GTAA recommends that there was a need for an additional 134 permanent traveller pitches, 13 travelling show people plots, 4 transit / emergency stopping place sites and 66 bricks and mortar accommodation units across the study area as a whole over the next 20 years. It was recommended that groups of local authorities work together in the three gypsy and traveller housing market areas, to make provision for the accommodation needs in their areas.

The GTAA 2014 Final Report and PS was published on Derbyshire County Council's website on 7 August 2015.

The comments raised by members would be reported to the Derbyshire Travellers Group.

RESOLVED (1) to note the findings and recommendations of the Derby, Derbyshire, Peak District National Park Authority and East Staffordshire Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment 2014; and

(2) that its findings are taken into account by the County Council in its service provision and promotion of health and wellbeing.

118/15 CONSULTATION – HIGH PEAK LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION – FURTHER EVIDENCE

Following the closure of the High Peak Local Plan Submission (HPLPS) Examination in Public (EiP), the Local Plan Inspector required further evidence from the Borough Council on the implications of the 2012-based Sub-National Household Projections on the Borough's objectively assessed housing needs; and concerns raised by Historic England about the likely adverse impacts of the proposed housing allocation at Woodhead Road, Old Glossop, on the area's heritage assets and landscape.

High Peak Borough Council commissioned consultants to provide further evidence and the Borough Council has consequently recommended that the HPLP new housing requirement should be reduced to 7,000 dwellings from 7,200; and the Woodhead Road housing allocation deleted.

Comments from Councillor Beth Atkins and a joint statement on behalf of Councillors Ellie Wilcox, David Wilcox, Damien Greenhalgh and Caitlin Bisknell have been received.

Detailed comments on the objectively assessed housing need and the Local Plan requirement; Woodhead Road Heritage and landscape Appraisal and Infrastructure requirements were contained in the report.

RESOLVED to delegate authority for a formal letter of response to High Peak Borough Council to be written by officers in line with the issues and comments set out in the report.

119/15 AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT AREA, BRIMINGTON, CHESTERFIELD Chesterfield Borough Council has publicised its declaration of an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) for an area containing several residential properties in central Brimington. The AQMA was made on the basis of traffic pollutants and the County Council would need to carry out a review of possible measures to improve air quality and submit these to the Borough Council.

The Council's duties included the provision of a delivery schedule for whichever measures it proposed and it would need to be clear these can be put in place through available resources. Given the specialist nature of this work, it was likely that consultancy support would be required to determine the effectiveness of the potential solutions. Any specific schemes recommended would need to be approved through the Economy, Transport and Environment Department's Service Plan 2016-17 or a report to Cabinet.

RESOLVED (1) to note the declaration of an Air Quality Management Area within Brimington and the statutory requirement for the County Council to consider measures designed to improve local air quality;

(2) to authorise the procurement through existing arrangements of specialist advice on the impacts of potential traffic and demand management measures; and

(3) to consider a further report recommending a formal County Council response for submission to Chesterfield Borough Council.

120/15 SUSTAINABLE MODES OF TRAVEL STRATEGY The Department for Education has recently re-issued home to school travel and transport guidance which detailed the statutory duty of Local Authorities. The five key elements of the duty were to undertake an assessment of the travel and transport needs of children, and young people within the Authority's area; audit the sustainable travel and transport infrastructure within the Authority's area that may be used when travelling to and from, or between schools/institutions; develop a strategy to deliver sustainable travel and transport infrastructure within the Local Authority Area, so that the travel and transport needs of children and young people are best catered for; promote sustainable travel and transport modes on the journey to, from, and between schools and other institutions; and to write and publish a Sustainable Modes of Travel Strategy (SMoTS).

The Statutory Duty was a cross-departmental responsibility which would require input from a number of teams across the Council, including Public Health, Corporate Resources, Children and Younger Adults (CAYA) and Economy, Transport and Environment (ETE), with the latter two departments sharing the lead.

To provide a phased approach to full compliance with the Duty it was proposed to Publish the Statement of Intent by 31 August 2015, or as soon as possible after this in lieu of developing a full SMoTS for publication by 31 August 2016; establish a cross-departmental working group comprising a range of partners, including representation from ETE, CAYA, Public Health and Corporate Resources; engage with Derbyshire's schools to assist in the development and delivery of the Strategy.; Develop a realistic and deliverable action plan; publish the Strategy by 31 August 2016 and review delivery of actions and update on an annual basis.

It was requested that the Statement of Intent and eventually the SMoTS be circulated to all schools to include in their school travel plans.

RESOLVED (1) to note the Statutory Duty placed on the Council to develop a Sustainable Modes of Travel Strategy and the revised guidelines associated with this;

(2) to approve the publication of a Statement of Intent, as set out in Appendix 1 of the report, in lieu of the development and publication of a full Sustainable Modes of Travel Strategy by 31 August 2016 which will be reported to Cabinet; and

(3) to receive further updates as and when appropriate.

121/15 BUDGET MONITORING 2015-16 – PERIOD 3 The net controllable budget for the Highways, Transport and Infrastructure Portfolio was £79.415m. The Revenue Budget Monitoring Statement, prepared at Period 3, indicated that there was a projected year end overspend of £0.521m. Details of this projection were itemised in the report.

Key variances included Highway Maintenance (projected overspend of £1.523m), Transport and Travel (projected underspend of £0.909m), Waste Management (projected underspend of £0.921m) and unallocated budget £1.377m.

Budget reductions totalling £4.099m were allocated for the year and it was anticipated that £3.744m of these would have been achieved by the year end. The reason for non-achievement on Street lighting energy was due to delayed implementation of the LAD programme; it was anticipated that the remaining Countryside Service reductions would be identified within the year; and Cabinet has agreed not to implement the £0.060m to Derwent Valley Mills in 2015-16, but defer it to 2016-17.

Earmarked Reserves totalling £25.234 were currently held to support future expenditure for Grants (including £1.9m Road Safety PSA II)(£2.087m), Committed Liabilities – Revenue (£2.598m), Committed Liabilities – Capital (£14.462m), Winter Maintenance (£2.000m), Partnership and Other Councils monies held by Derbyshire County Council (£0.217m), Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site (£0.172m), Laboratory and Fleet Equipment (£0.195m), Waste Recycling Initiatives (£0.391m) and Non Committed Reserves including previous years' underspends (£3.012m).

RESOLVED to note the report.

122/15 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 28 July 2015.

123/15 EXEMPT MINUTES RESOLVED that the exempt Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Infrastructure held on 28 July 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.