

PUBLIC

MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE** held on 17 January 2017 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Cabinet Member – Councillor D Collins

Also in attendance – Councillor S A Spencer.

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

<u>Location/Subject</u>	<u>Signatures</u>	<u>Local Member</u>
Request for a Controlled Crossing outside North Wingfield Primary School, Chesterfield Road, North Wingfield	766	Councillor Julie Hill

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

2/17 MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Infrastructure held on 22 December 2016 be confirmed as a correct record.

3/17 PETITION – HARD MEADOW LANE, ASHOVER – REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN SPEED LIMIT Following receipt of a petition requesting a reduction of the speed limit on Hard Meadow Lane, Ashover

Department for Transport (DFT) criteria provided a national policy on the appropriate setting of speed limits. The criteria dictated that on single carriageway rural roads, where development was sparse, the National Speed Limit was appropriate. A lower 50mph speed limit could be considered on roads which have a mixed function and a high number of bends, junctions or accesses. However it was considered that Hard Meadow Lane did not meet this criteria and the current National Speed Limit remained appropriate.

Derbyshire Constabulary's has been consulted and would not support the reduction of the speed limit, stating that the current speed limit remained a realistic speed limit given the rural nature of the road.

The Cabinet Member allowed Mr W Watton, Lead Petitioner, to address the meeting.

Mr Watton challenged the basis of the report and its recommendations. The speed surveys carried out in 2015, were not complete as there were no results for the northerly direction and the accuracy of such surveys could be influenced by the time of day they were recorded. School start and end times greatly increased the volume and speed of traffic on the Lane, as it was the main route south leaving the village. Over the last 12 months 14 new properties have been built and further development was planned on the former Black Swan site and in the centre of the village.

The Cabinet Member agreed that officers arrange to meet with Mr Watton to walk the Lane and consider measures, other than the reduction of the speed limit.

RESOLVED that (1) the request for a reduced speed limit on Hard Meadow Lane, Ashover be refused;

(2) a site meeting be arranged with the lead petitioner to consider other possible actions; and

(3) the Local Member and lead petitioner be advised of the decision. and

3/17 PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME – ASHOVER ROAD, OLD TUPTON

Following the publication of a proposal to install a traffic calming scheme on Ashover Road, Old Tupton, seven letters have been received opposing the scheme.

The type of road hump being proposed was a flat topped plateau which enabled both axles of a bus and other long vehicles, to mount the hump before driving off it at the other side. This reduced discomfort for bus passengers. All road humps were constructed in accordance with national guidance and regulations.

Some of the respondents have questioned the siting of some of the road humps in relation to their properties. However, due to the amount of driveways and other access points, the features have been situated where they could achieve a consistent traffic calming effect.

RESOLVED that (1) the proposed traffic calming scheme at Ashover Road, Old Tupton, be installed as advertised; and

(2) all those who have taken the time to provide feedback be informed accordingly.

4/17 THE DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (CHESTERFIELD TOWN CENTRE)(RESTRICTED ZONE) ORDER 2015

Following the advertisement of the Derbyshire County Council (Chesterfield Town Centre) (Restricted Zone) Order 2015 (the 2015 Order) to introduce a Restricted Zone in Chesterfield Town Centre an objection was received. The objection was not withdrawn and a Public Inquiry was held on 20 September 2016.

The Inspector's report to the Council was attached as Appendix 1 to the report and sets out the evidence presented, the legal submissions made and the inspector's conclusions and recommendation in relation to the 2015 Order. Having examined all the evidence the inspector concluded that it would be in the public interest to make the 2015 Order as proposed.

RESOLVED (1) to note that the Inspector's report and recommendations of 19 October 2016 in relation to The Derbyshire County Council (Chesterfield Town Centre)(Restricted Zone) Order 2015 has been considered; and

(2) that the making of the Order for the reasons set out in the Inspector's report be approved.

5/17 AWARD OF GRANTS TO EXTERNAL RECIPIENTS

RESOLVED to approve the award of grant of £1,000 to Castleton Historical Society and £137.75 to Mr Caplan.

6/17 BUDGET MONITORING 2016-17 – PERIOD 7

The net controllable budget for the Highways, Transport and Infrastructure portfolio was £73.054m. The Revenue Budget Monitoring Statement, prepared at Period 7, indicated that there was a projected year end overspend of £0.211m. Within this overspend figure was an amount of £1.995m 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 £1.784m.

The key variances included Highways Maintenance (projected overspend of £1.423m), Highways Management (projected underspend £1.409 m), Transport and Travel (projected underspend £1.076m), Local Bus Services (overspend £1.995m), Waste Management (projected underspend £0.730m), Planning and Development (projected underspend £0.617m) and Resources and Improvement (projected underspend £0.532m) and unallocated budget of £1.492m.

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 £26.965m

were currently held to support future expenditure. Details of these reserves were provided in the report.

RESOLVED to note the report.

7/17 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 22 December 2016.
2. To consider the exempt Report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Communities on :-
 - (a) Future of the Joint-funded Partnership Posts Beyond March 2017. (contains information relating to any individual)
 - (b) Contract Variation for the Collection, Treatment and Disposal of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment. (contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Authority holding that information))
 - (c) Purchase of Asphalt Storage Silos (Bulk Asphalt Hotboxes). ((contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Authority holding that information))