

# **SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **Meeting of Traffic and Parking Working Party**

**Date: Thursday, 16th June, 2016**

**Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite**

**Present:** Councillor T Cox (Chair)  
Councillors T Byford (Vice-Chair), M Borton, T Callaghan,  
M Flewitt, J Garston, J Ware-Lane and R Woodley\*  
\*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 31.

**In Attendance:** Councillors B Arscott, M Assenheim, S Ayles, M Butler, D Garston,  
L Salter and M Stafford  
P Geraghty, C Hindle-Terry and T Row

**Start/End Time:** 6.30 - 8.25 pm

### **1 Jo Cox MP**

The Working Party stood in silent tribute for one minute as a mark of respect for the late Jo Cox MP who had been killed whilst campaigning in the EU Referendum.

### **2 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Terry (Substitute: Councillor Woodley).

### **3 Declarations of Interest**

(a) Councillor D Garston – Agenda Item 5 (West Leigh Area – Report on Ward Councillor Consultation for Parking Controls) – Non-pecuniary interest: Son lives in Salisbury Road;

(b) Councillor J Garston – Agenda Item 5 (West Leigh Area – Report on Ward Councillor Consultation for Parking Controls) – Non-pecuniary interest: Brother lives in Salisbury Road;

(c) Councillor Ayles – Urgent Additional Item – The Fairway, A127 and Bellhouse Lane – Temporary Traffic Management – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the area affected; and

(d) Councillor Butler – Urgent Additional Item – The Fairway, A127 and Bellhouse Lane – Temporary Traffic Management – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the area affected.

#### **4 Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 10th March, 2016**

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 10th March 2016, be received and confirmed as a correct record.

#### **5 Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Various Locations**

The Working Party received a report of the Corporate Director for Place that appraised Members of the representations that had been received in response to the statutory consultation for proposed Traffic Regulation Orders in respect of various proposals within the Borough.

The report also sought an appropriate recommendation to the Cabinet Committee on the way forward, after having considered of all the representations that had been received in writing and at the meeting.

Resolved:

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That no further action be taken, and that the Traffic Regulation Orders not be confirmed, in respect of the following:

- The introduction of no waiting junction protection 11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon Mondays to Fridays in Marcus Avenue;
- The introduction of no waiting junction protection at any time for 10m from Johnstone Road southwards; and
- The introduction of no waiting at any time in Burgess Terrace from March to October from 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. on the west side between Burgess Terrace and Thorpe Esplanade.

2. That the Corporate Director for Place be authorised to confirm the traffic regulation order as advertised for the introduction of no waiting in St James Avenue from 11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon Monday's to Fridays and to arrange for the proposals to be implemented.

#### **6 West Leigh Area – Report on Ward Councillor Consultation for Parking Controls**

The Working Party received a report of the Corporate Director for Place which appraised Members of the results of the consultation that had been undertaken in respect of parking controls in the West Leigh area by the Ward Councillor. The report also sought Members' approval on the appropriate way forward.

The Working Party noted the outcome of the consultation had showed that the level of response fell below the agreed policy thresholds.

Resolved:

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the Ward Councillors be thanked for their efforts in compiling and distributing the questionnaires in relation to the consultation.
2. That no further action be taken in respect of this request on the basis that the outcome of the consultation does not meet minimum policy thresholds for formal public consultation.

## **7 Greenways – Residents’ Permit Parking Scheme Update**

Further to Minute 703 of the meeting of the Cabinet Committee held on 10th March 2016, the Working Party received a report of the Corporate Director for Place concerning the Members’ request for a resident’s parking scheme in The Greenways. The report outlined the further consultation work that had been undertaken by the Ward Councillors and sought Members’ approval to recommend to the Cabinet Committee to proceed with the implementation of the proposed scheme.

Resolved:

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That Officers comments as set out in paragraph 4.1 be noted and, recognising the safety of children and parents in the vicinity of the school, the Corporate Director for Place be authorised to advertise the necessary traffic regulation orders and notices for the introduction of a Residents’ Parking Scheme (RPS) in The Greenways, covering 8am to 5pm, Mondays to Fridays.
2. That, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, the Corporate Director for Place be authorised to arrange for the orders to be sealed and the proposals implemented.
3. That all unresolved objections be referred to the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee for consideration.

## **8 Temporary Traffic Management Measures - The Fairway, A127 and Bellhouse Lane**

The Chairman agreed that, in view of the exceptional circumstances, this item be considered at this meeting as an urgent additional item to enable Members to consider the temporary traffic management measures for the forthcoming gas main replacement works in The Fairway that were due to commence on 23rd July 2016. These works involved the closure of sections of The Fairway on a phased basis.

The Working Party received an oral report of the Corporate Director for Place that informed Members of the proposed measures that had been agreed to be implemented; the procedures, mechanisms and constraints for introducing temporary traffic measures; and the other measures that could be considered to mitigate the anticipated disruption and delays likely to be experienced.

Resolved:

That Cabinet Committee be recommended to request officers to investigate as a matter of extreme urgency, the phasing of the traffic control signals (traffic lights at the junctions of The Fairway and Bellhouse Lane with the A127, the possibility of introducing a traffic regulation to prohibit U turns at these junctions and any other appropriate measures to minimise the impact of the works on traffic congestion and disruption.

**Chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_