

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Traffic and Parking Working Party

Date: Monday, 9th January, 2017

Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

- Present:** Councillor T Cox (Chair)
Councillors T Byford (Vice-Chair), M Borton, T Callaghan, M Flewitt,
J Garston, M Terry and J Ware-Lane
- In Attendance:** Councillors B Arscott, M Assenheim, S Ayles, S Buckley, M Butler,
D Garston, S Habermel, J Lamb, C Mulroney and R Woodley
P Geraghty, Z Ali, C Hindle-Terry and T Row
- Start/End Time:** 6.00 - 9.10 pm

1 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

- (a) Councillor Assenheim – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of the Patients Forum of the Doctor’s Surgery in Tyrone Road;
- (b) Councillor Ayles – Agenda Item No. 5 – (Requests for New or Amended Traffic Regulation Orders – Belfairs Park Drive) – Non-pecuniary interest: Friends live in the street;
- (c) Councillor Byford – Agenda Item No. 4 – (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Parliament for the Rochford and Southend East Constituency lives in Tyrone Road and is known to him;
- (d) Councillor Callaghan – Agenda Item No. 6 (Petition for Action on Excessive Speeds, Wells Avenue) – Non-pecuniary interest: Brother Lives in the road;
- (e) Councillor Cox – Agenda Item No. 4 – (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Parliament for the Rochford and Southend East Constituency lives in Tyrone Road and is known to him;
- (f) Councillor D Garston – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Salisbury Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Family member lives in the street;
- (g) Councillor D Garston – Agenda Item No. 5 – (Requests for New or Amended Traffic Regulation Orders – Westcliff Parade) – Non-pecuniary interest: Family member lives nearby;

(h) Councillor D Garston – Agenda Item No. 8 – (Petition for One-Way Traffic Flow, Westcliff Parade) – Non-pecuniary interest: Family member lives nearby;

(i) Councillor J Garston – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Salisbury Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Family member lives in the street;

(j) Councillor J Garston – Agenda Item No. 5 – (Requests for New or Amended Traffic Regulation Orders – Westcliff Parade) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives nearby;

(k) Councillor J Garston – Agenda Item No. 8 – (Petition for One-Way Traffic Flow, Westcliff Parade) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives nearby;

(l) Councillor Terry – Agenda Item No. 4 – (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Residents in the streets are known to him;

(m) Councillor Terry – Agenda Item No. 11 – (Petition Requesting Permit Parking Controls, Roots Hall Avenue) – Non-pecuniary interest: Season Ticket Holder at Southend United FC;

(n) Councillor Woodley – Agenda Item No. 4 – (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in Tyrone Road.

3 Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 3rd November 2016

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 3rd November 2016 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

4 Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders - Various Locations

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (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 Working Party also had before it a supplementary report which informed Members of the representations that had been received in respect of some additional statutory notices for proposed traffic regulation orders that had recently been published. The deadline for representations to these proposals had closed after the publication of the Agenda. The Chairman agreed that these items be considered at this meeting as urgent additional items to enable the matters to be determined before the end of the financial year. A copy of the supplementary report was circulated at the meeting.

The reports 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, subject to the exclusion of the proposals relating to Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road, the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm The Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Various Roads) (Stopping, Waiting, Loading and Unloading Prohibitions and Restrictions, Parking Places and Permit Parking Zones)(Consolidation) Order 2016 (Amendment No. 2) Order 2016 as advertised and the order be sealed accordingly.

2. That the proposed amendment of the waiting restrictions from 2.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. Mondays to Fridays to 11.00 a.m. to noon Mondays to Fridays in Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road be not progressed.

3. That The Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Various Roads) (Stopping, Waiting, Loading and Unloading Prohibitions and Restrictions, Parking Places and Permit Parking Zones)(Consolidation) Order 2016 (Amendment No. 1) Order 2016 be confirmed, subject to the deletions form the Order set out below, and sealed accordingly

(i) Introduction of “No Waiting At Any Time” parking restrictions on the following lengths of Western Road:

South Side – Outside No. 48 Western Road
South Side – Outside Nos 118 and 120 Western Road.

(ii) Revocations – No Waiting at any time in Western Road Item Nos. 109669 and 109616

4. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm The Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Various Roads) (Consolidation of Moving Traffic and Speed Limit) Order 2006 (as amended) (Amendment No 2) Order 2016 as advertised and that the order be sealed accordingly.

5 Requests for New or Amended Traffic Regulation Orders

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought Members' approval to recommend to the Cabinet Committee that amendments to existing and/or the introduction of new waiting restrictions at the locations indicated in Appendix 1 to the report be advertised in accordance with the statutory processes and, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the relevant orders to be sealed and the proposals be implemented.

The Working Party also had before it a supplementary report which updated Members on the request for the removal of the seasonal restrictions in Walton Road and Clieveden Road following the discussion of this matter at the last meeting (Minute 7 refers). The Chairman agreed that these items be considered at this meeting as urgent additional items to enable the matters to be determined before the end of the financial year. A copy of the supplementary report was circulated at the meeting.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That officers be requested to prepare detailed proposals for a pedestrian crossing in Western Esplanade between the Casino and the junction with Shorefield Road for consideration.
2. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the relevant statutory notice and undertake the necessary consultation for a traffic regulation order to extend the existing permit parking controls around the Cliffs Pavilion area to include the section of Westcliff Parade between Westcliff Avenue, Wilson Road, Westcliff Parade and Cambridge Road and, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed.
3. That the current seasonal restrictions in Cliveden Road and Walton Road remain unchanged.

6 Petition for Action on Excessive Speeds, Wells Avenue

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) which appraised Members of a petition from residents of Wells Avenue requesting action on excessive speeds of vehicles travelling in the road.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the petitioner be thanked for taking the time to compile the petition.
2. That the situation be monitored and a further survey be undertaken in March/April, the dates for which be agreed in consultation with the Ward Councillors.

7 Request for Waiting Restrictions - Belfairs Park Drive

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) concerning a request for waiting restrictions to be implemented in Belfairs Park Drive.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended that the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be requested to publish the statutory notices and undertake the necessary consultation for the relevant traffic regulation order to introduce part week limited waiting restrictions in Belfairs Park Drive the times of which to be determined in consultation with the Ward Councillors and, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the orders to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

8 Petition for One-Way Traffic Flow, Westcliff Parade

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of a petition comprising 131 signatures requesting the traffic flow of Westcliff Parade be amended to one-way.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the petitioner be thanked for taking the time to compile the petition.
2. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the statutory notices and undertake the necessary consultation for the relevant traffic regulation order to amend the traffic flow in the section of Western Parade from Wilson Road to Trinity Road to one-way westwards.
3. That it be noted that due to the current workload, the proposals will not be progressed until after April 2017.

9 Petition for One-Way Traffic Flow, St Lukes Road

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of a survey undertaken by the Parish Church involving 18 residents of St Luke's Road. The resulting petition requested that the traffic flow be amended to one-way (Eastwards) from Bournemouth Park Road to Ely Road.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That Father McClusky be thanked for taking the time to compile the petition.
2. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the statutory notices and undertake the necessary consultation for the relevant traffic regulation order to amend the traffic flow in the section of St Luke's Road from Bournemouth Park Road to Ely Road to one-way.
3. That it be noted that due to the current workload, the proposals will not be progressed until after April 2017.

10 Petition for Removal of Waiting Restrictions, Centurion Close Shoebury

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of a petition from residents of Centurion Close requesting removal of recently introduced waiting restrictions at and around the junction of Lowry Close.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the petitioner be thanked for taking the time to compile the petition.

2. That consideration of this matter be deferred pending the outcome of the recently submitted application for planning permission in the road and that officers be requested to liaise with the officer of the local planning authority as regards any necessary traffic regulation orders, parking or other highway works that may be required.

11 Petition Requesting Permit Parking Controls, Roots Hall Avenue

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of a petition signed by 16 residents of Roots Hall Avenue requesting Permit Parking Controls to deter non-resident parking.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the petition be noted and the residents be thanked for taking the time to compile the petition.
2. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the statutory notices and undertake the necessary consultation for the relevant traffic regulation order to introduce a Permit Parking Area in Roots Hall Avenue and review all existing waiting restrictions in the street. The operational hours of the parking scheme to be determined in consultation with the residents of Roots hall Avenue.
3. That in the event that no objections are received to the proposal, the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised confirm the Traffic Regulation Order and arrange for the proposals to be implemented.

12 Update on Petition Requesting Permit Parking Controls, Southend East

Further to Minute 253 of the meeting of Cabinet Committee held on 19th September 2016, the Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of discussions between Ward Councillors for Southchurch, Thorpe and Kursaal wards to discuss a petition signed by 324 residents of the roads north of Southend East Railway Station requesting parking controls to deter all day parking by commuters.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the concerns of Ward Members regarding any proposals to introduce a Permit Parking Area in the streets detailed in Appendix 1 to the report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be noted.
2. That no further action is to be taken in respect of the proposals to introduce a Permit Parking Area in the streets detailed in Appendix 1 to this report Deputy Chief Executive (Place).
3. That the proposals for hardening parts of the verge in Riviera Drive be progressed.

4. That a report be prepared for Members' consideration on sustainable materials including details of costs and implications.

13 Petition Requesting Pedestrian Crossing, Waiting Restrictions and a School Crossing Patrol, Darlinghurst Grove Leigh on Sea - Information Item

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of a petition signed by school users requesting a pedestrian crossing facility, waiting restrictions and a school crossing patrol to be provided in Darlinghurst Grove.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended that the petition be noted and that officers assess the location and provide a report of the findings to the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee.

14 Petition for Maintenance Works, Ashleigh Drive Leigh on Sea

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of a petition from residents of Ashleigh Drive highlighting the state of footways and carriageways and requesting that the Council rectify this as soon as possible.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the petitioner be thanked for compiling the petition.
2. That no further action be taken at this time for the reasons detailed in the report.

15 Number of Residential Parking Permits Allowed Per Household

The Working Party considered a query regarding the Council's policy relating to the number of residential parking permits that households were allowed to purchase. This item had been requested by Councillor Ware-Lane in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 35.1 (d).

Resolved:

That officers prepare a report for consideration by the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee to include details of the number of permits for residents in town centre, access to parking the town for residents, businesses, shoppers and visitors and parking charges, to help inform the development of a Parking Strategy for the Borough.

Chairman: _____

