

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Cabinet Committee

Date: Thursday, 10th March, 2016

Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor Terry (Chairman)
Councillors Norman MBE (Vice-Chairman) and Betson

In Attendance: Councillors Assenheim, Aylen, Buckley, Byford, Callaghan, Cox,
J Garston, McMahon, Salter, Van Looy and Walker
P Geraghty, Z Ali, C Hindle-Terry and T Row

Start/End Time: 6.00 - 8.10 pm

699 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

700 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

(i) Councillor Assenheim – Agenda Item No. 7 (Member's Request List Reference No. 15/11 (Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Patient at doctor's surgery in the road affected;

(ii) Councillor Betson – Agenda Item No. 5 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity of the junction of Neil Armstrong Way; and

(iii) Councillor Van Looy – Agenda Item No. 5 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders) – Non-pecuniary interest: Has a business in Southchurch Road.

701 Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 4th January 2016

Resolved:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 4th January 2016 be received, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

702 The Maze

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Corporate Director for Place concerning a proposal to introduce short lengths waiting restrictions along the north and south sides of the carriageway of The Maze, Leigh on Sea at the eastern extremity of the public highway. A plan illustrating the proposals was displayed at the meeting.

Resolved:

That the Corporate Director for Place be authorised to advertise the necessary traffic regulation orders and, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the orders to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

Reasons for Decision

To ensure that the waiting restrictions cover the extent of the public highway at this location and are consistent.

Other Options

Take no further action.

Note:- This is an Executive Function

Eligible for call-in to Place Scrutiny Committee:

Executive Councillor: Councillor Terry

703 Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders

The Cabinet Committee 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 the Cabinet Committee's approval on the way forward, after having considered the views of the Traffic & Parking Working Party the Traffic & Parking Working Party following consideration of all the representations that had been received in writing and at the meeting.

Resolved:

1. That the traffic regulation order for the introduction of junction protection in Neil Armstrong way at its junction with Western Approaches be confirmed with an amendment to reduce the length of waiting restrictions to 13 metres.
2. That the zebra crossing in West Road, Westcliff on Sea close to the junction of Westborough Road be installed as advertised.
3. That the traffic regulation order for the introduction of prohibition of waiting restrictions and resident permit parking places in the Queensway East Area be confirmed as advertised and that officers be requested to work with Ward Councillors and the residents to identify any appropriate amendments that may be required following implementation.
4. That the traffic regulation order for the introduction of limited waiting restrictions in the Shoeburyness Leisure Centre, Library and Youth Centre Car Park be confirmed as advertised subject to concessions being afforded to staff at Shoebury High School, the details of which to be determined by the Executive Councillor for Public Protection, Waste and Transport in consultation with Corporate Director for Place, and Ward Councillors.

5. That the experimental traffic regulation for the introduction of waiting restrictions in the Maze be confirmed as advertised.

6. That traffic regulation order for the introduction of waiting restrictions and residents' only permit parking in the Cliffs Pavilion Area (Winton Avenue, Lydford Road and Milton Road) be confirmed as advertised and that the Corporate Director for Place be authorised to advertise the necessary amendments for the inclusion of Westcliff Avenue with the same hours of operation, and subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the amendment to be confirmed and implemented.

Reason for decision

The proposals aim to improve the operation of the existing parking controls to contribute to highway safety and to reduce congestion.

Other Option

Do nothing - highway safety could be compromised and congestion could increase.

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704 Member's Request List

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Corporate Director for Place that appraised Members of the requests received from Members of the Council together with officers' recommendations relating to those requests.

Consideration of request reference no. 15/011 regarding the amendment of the operational hours of the existing waiting restrictions in Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road was dealt with under the following item.

Resolved:

1. That with reference to request reference no. 14/15 regarding the widening of the pedestrian refuge Ness Road, Shoeburyness, be retained on the list and reported to a future meeting of the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee for consideration when the details of the estimated costs of the necessary works have been received.

2. That with reference to request reference no. 15/07 regarding the installation of a pedestrian crossing in Elmsleigh Drive near Rayleigh Drive, officers be requested to work with the Ward Councillors to identify to identify an appropriate solution.

3. That consideration of request reference no. 15/38 regarding the introduction of a residents' permit parking scheme in the area around Thorpe Greenways School be deferred pending a full detailed report to be submitted to a future meeting of the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee.

4. That with reference to request reference no. 15/07 regarding the introduction of waiting restrictions at the junction of Collins Way, the Corporate Director for Place be authorised to advertise the necessary traffic regulation order and, subject to the being no objections following statutory notice, to arrange for the order to be sealed.

Reasons for Decision

To provide a rationalised and consistent management and decision-making process for all formal requests for highways and traffic management improvements by Ward Councillors via the Traffic and Parking Working Party & Cabinet Committee.

Other Options

Each request needs to be considered on its individual merits and their impact on public safety, traffic flows or parking and wider impact on the surrounding network. Members may consider taking no further action if they feel it is appropriate.

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705 Member's Request List Reference no. 15/11 (Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road)

The Cabinet Committee reconsidered Minute 514 of its meeting held on 4th January 2016 in respect of Members Request ref no. 15/11, which sought the amendment of the operational hours of existing waiting restriction in Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road from 2.00 p.m. until 3.00 p.m. to 11.00 a.m. until noon. This matter had been referred back for re-consideration by the Place Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 25th January 2016 (Minute 586 refers). The Cabinet Committee had before it the relevant extract from report of the Corporate Director for Place and the excerpts from the Minutes.

Resolved:

That the Corporate Director for Place be authorised to advertise the necessary traffic regulation to amend operational hours of existing waiting restriction in Tyrone Road and Fermoy Road from 2.00 p.m. until 3.00 p.m. to 11.00 a.m. until noon and, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the orders to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

Reasons for Decision

To provide a rationalised and consistent management and decision-making process for all formal requests for highways and traffic management improvements by Ward Councillors via the Traffic and Parking Working Party & Cabinet Committee.

Other Options

Each request needs to be considered on its individual merits and their impact on public safety, traffic flows or parking and wider impact on the surrounding network. Members may consider taking no further action if they feel it is appropriate.

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Not eligible for call-in as this matter has previously been subject to the call-in procedure.

Executive Councillor: Councillor Terry

Chairman: _____