

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Cabinet Committee

Date: Thursday, 13th September, 2018

Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor A Moring (Chair)
Councillors T Cox (Vice-Chair) and M Flewitt

In Attendance: Councillors B Arscott, S Aylen, A Bright, K Buck, S Buckley, F Evans, J Garston, R Hadley, H McDonald, G Phillips, P Van Looy, P Wexham and C Willis
G Smith, C Hindle-Terry N Hunwicks and T Row

Start/End Time: 6.00 pm - 8.50 pm

245 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

246 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

(a) Councillor Arscott – Agenda Item No. 5 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Bailey Road Area Residents Parking Scheme) – Non-pecuniary interest: Patient of Highlands Surgery;

(b) Councillor Flewitt – Agenda Item No. 11 (Oakwood Avenue – Request for Speed Control and Other Suggested Amendments to the Road Layout) – Non-pecuniary interest: Worked on the closure of Brendon Way, which was mentioned in the debate;

(c) Councillor J Garston – Agenda Item No. 7 (Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Area) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Lives in one of the Roads affected by the proposals;

(d) Councillor Hadley – Agenda Item No. 6 (Members' Request List – Ref no. 17/35: Introduction of accident prevention measures in Maya Close and Ness Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Freehold owner 23, 23a, 25 and 25a Ness Road;

(e) Councillor Moring – Agenda Item No. 6 (Members' Request List – Ref no. 18/08: Provide no waiting at any time restrictions in Thorpe Hall Avenue/Acacia Drive) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity of the junction;

(f) Councillor Van Looy – Agenda Item No. 5 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Southchurch Boulevard) – Non-pecuniary interest: Patient of the Doctor's Surgery in Southchurch Boulevard; and

(g) Councillor Van Looy – Agenda Item No. 5 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – St Lukes Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity.

247 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21st June 2018

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Thursday 21st June 2018 be received, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

248 Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 5th July 2018

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 5th July 2018 be received, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

249 Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders

The Cabinet Committee 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. These included:

- (i) the introduction of limited waiting restrictions (3 Hrs No Return in 4 Hrs) on the south kerbline of westbound carriageway in Southchurch Boulevard;
- (ii) the introduction of a prohibition of waiting at any time in St Lukes Road at its Junction with Ely Road;
- (iii) the introduction of a prohibition of waiting at any time in Eastwood Road North 15m and 12m either side of its junction with Kenholme;
- (iv) the introduction of a prohibition of waiting from 11.00 am to 12.00 noon on the south side of Riviera Drive, between no. 76 Riviera Drive and *m west of its junction with Dalmatia Road;
- (v) the introduction of waiting restrictions and a parking places and permit parking zone in the area around Hartington Road/Pleasant Road;
- (vi) the introduction of limited waiting for 1 hour no return in 4 hours in Station Road, Westcliff on Sea; and
- (vii) the introduction of junction protection and permit parking controls in the roads around the Bailey Road area,

The report sought the Cabinet Committee's approval on the way forward in respect of all of these proposals, after having considered the views of the Traffic & Parking Working Party following consideration of all the representations that had been received in writing and at the meeting. Large scale plans of the proposals and photographs of the streets were displayed at the meeting.

Resolved:

1. That 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. 9) Order 2018 with the exclusion of the proposed restrictions of Southchurch Boulevard and to arrange for the traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented accordingly.

2. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to advertised an amended restriction to now provide limited waiting restrictions for 4 hours no return in 4 hours daily, together with a 7.5 tonne weight restriction in the same section of Southchurch Boulevard, and subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

3. That 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. 10) Order 2018 subject to the following amendments:

- (i) the reduction of the 'junction protection' waiting restrictions in Eastwood Road North at its junction with Kenholme to 10m;
- (ii) the reduction of the 'junction protection' waiting restrictions in Kenholme at its junction with Eastwood Road North to 5 metres; and
- (iii) the exclusion of the proposed waiting restrictions in Riviera Drive

and to arrange for the traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented accordingly.

3. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (The Hartington Road Area Parking Management Scheme) (Zone HR) (Waiting Restrictions, Parking Places & Permit Parking Zone) Order 2018 as advertised and to arrange for the traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented accordingly.

4. That 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. 11) Order 2018 as advertised and to arrange for the traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented accordingly.

5. That no further action be taken in respect of the Bailey Road Area Residents Parking Scheme and that the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Bailey Road Area Residents Permit Scheme) (Zone BR) (Prohibition of Waiting & Permit Parking Places) Order 2018 with the no waiting at any time restrictions set out in Appendix 2 only and to arrange for the traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented accordingly.

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 Options

Each proposal 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.

Note:- This is an Executive Function
Eligible for call-in to: Place Scrutiny Committee
Cabinet Member: Councillor Moring

250 Members' Requests List

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of the requests received from Members of the Council, together with officers' recommendations relating to those requests. Having considered the views of the Traffic & Parking Working Party it was:-

Resolved:

1. That no further action be taken in respect of the following requests and that they be removed from the list:

(i) Request Reference No. 18/01 - Introduce waiting restrictions Colbert Avenue opposite junctions.

(ii) Request Reference No. 18/07 - Provide SLOW signs, The Broadway, Thorpe Bay.

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(s) in respect of the following requests and, subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

(i) Request Reference No. 18/02 - Introduce waiting restriction in Crosby Road to reduce congestion;

(ii) Request Reference No. 18/03 - Amend waiting restrictions Victoria Road Leigh, reduce junction protection and alter one side restriction to opposite side;

(iii) Request Reference No. 18/05 - London Road, Boundary to Highlands Boulevard. Amend limited waiting time to 2 hours.

(iv) Request Reference No. 18/06 - Highlands Boulevard/Herschell Road junction with London Road. Provide peak hour restriction on the west side of the road to deter congestion at the junction.

(v) Request Reference No. 18/09 - Highlands Boulevard/Herschell Road junction with London Road. Provide peak hour restriction on one side of the road to deter congestion at the junction.

3. That in respect of Request Reference No. 17/35 (Introduction of accident prevention measures in Maya Close and Ness Road), the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to implement the accident remedial measure asset out the recommendations in the technical note attached at Appendix 3 to the submitted report and undertake the necessary consultation for the provision of Provide 4 parking bays in Ness Road east of its junction with Maya Close with limited waiting for a maximum of 20 minutes, and subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

4. That in respect of Request Reference No. 17/46 (Introduction of one hour waiting restrictions in Thames Close to deter commuter parking), the Deputy

Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to commence the survey of residents in the wider area on appropriate parking controls to deter commuter parking.

5. That in respect of Request Reference No. 18/04 (Box Junction Cokefield Avenue/Hamstel Road), the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be requested to introduce “Keep Clear” signs on the highway where appropriate and to investigate the possibility of relocating the bus stops in Cokefield Road and other suitable measures to reduce congestion at this location.

6. That in respect of Request Reference No. 18/08 (Provide at any time waiting restrictions, Thorpe Hall Avenue, Acacia Drive), the location be monitored periodically and if congestion at the junction is witnessed, the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to undertake the necessary consultation for the relevant traffic regulation order(s) to extend the existing waiting restriction prohibiting parking at any time for a further 10 metres northwards and, subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

7. That in respect of Request Reference No. 18/10, the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be requested to undertake a full safety audit of at this location, the results of which and any appropriate measures be submitted to the meeting of the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee on 1st November 2018.

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 & Parking Working Party and 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.

Note:- This is an Executive Function

Eligible for call-in to Place Scrutiny Committee:

Cabinet Member: Cllr Moring

251 Extension of Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Area

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought approval to authorise the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) to amend the existing Permit Parking Area to include the roads east of the Cliffs Pavilion, as shown on the plan attached to the report. Having considered the views of the Traffic & Parking Working Party it was:-

Resolved:

1. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the statutory notices and undertake the necessary consultation for the relevant traffic regulation order(s) to amend the existing Permit Parking Area to include the roads east of the Cliffs Pavilion, as shown on the plan attached to the report,

including the provision of dual use “pay and display” and “permit parking bays” where possible and, subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

2. That, subject to the inclusion of an “up to one hour” charge in the sum of £1.10 the proposed charging/payment bands for the pay and display parking in this area, as set out in Appendix 2 of the report be approved.

Reasons for Decision

To accommodate non-resident parking in a popular area which appears to be under-utilised by residents.

Other Options

Retain the current arrangements. This option would retain under-utilised areas of the streets while parking pressure is placed on adjacent areas. Members may consider taking no further action if they feel it is appropriate.

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Eligible for call-in to Place Scrutiny Committee:

Cabinet Member: Councillor Moring

252 Request for Waiting Restrictions - Earls Hall Avenue

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) concerning a petition that had been received from residents of Earls Hall Avenue and Mayfield Avenue requesting a waiting restriction prohibiting parking at any time on the south side of Earls Hall Avenue from the access gates to the school to the driveway of No. 46 Earls Hall Avenue. Having considered the views of the Traffic & Parking Working Party:

Resolved:

That consideration of any appropriate measures be deferred pending further information following the re-opening of the Southend High School for Boys after the school holidays.

Reasons for Decision

To ensure accurate information is available before taking any further action.

Other Options

As set out in the report

Note:- This is an Executive Function

Eligible for call-in to Place Scrutiny Committee:

Cabinet Member: Councillor Moring

253 Hospital Area Controlled Parking Zone

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought approval to authorise the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) to amend the existing Controlled Parking Zone around Southend Hospital to maximise the number of dual use “pay and display” and “permit parking bays” within the Zone.

Resolved:

1. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the relevant statutory notice and undertake the necessary consultation for a traffic regulation order(s) to amend the existing Hospital Controlled Parking Zone to maximise the number of dual use “pay and display” and “permit parking bays” where possible and, subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented.
2. That the charges for “pay and display” in dual use bays be set in line with the current levels namely “up to 2 hours - £2.10” and “up to 4 hours - £2.80”.

Reason for Decision

To reduce congestion and emissions while creating additional parking capacity during the daytime.

Other Options

Retain existing operational rules and charges. This will not reduce congestion in the area with hospital users seeking parking on street. Members may consider taking no further action if they feel it is appropriate.

Note:- This is an Executive Function

Eligible for call-in to: Place Scrutiny Committee

Cabinet Member: Councillor Moring

254 Holland Road Area - Permit Parking Proposal

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of the results of a consultation led by residents in Holland Road and Palmeira Avenue. The report also sought the appropriate way forward in respect of this matter. Having considered the views of the Traffic & Parking Working Party, it was:

Resolved:

1. That the residents be thanked for taking the time to undertake the surveys.
2. That the proposal for a Permit Parking Area to be introduced into the streets illustrated on the plan attached to the report be included within an extension of the Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Area, and that the possibility of dual use “pay and display” and “permit parking bays” be maximised where appropriate.
3. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the relevant statutory notice and undertake the necessary consultation for a traffic regulation order(s) for the introduction of the proposals and that in the event of there being no unresolved objections, to confirm the Order as necessary and undertake the works.
4. That all of those who responded to the survey and the petition be informed that a response to the formal, statutory consultation is also recommended.

Reason for Decision

To reflect the residents request and subsequent success in demonstrating support for parking controls

Other Options

Do nothing – parking problems will still be experienced.

Note:- This is an Executive Function

Eligible for call-in to Place Scrutiny Committee:

Cabinet Member: Councillor Moring

255 Oakwood Avenue - Request for Speed Control and Other Suggested Amendments to the Road Layout

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) concerning a petition from residents of Oakwood Avenue requesting measures to reduce the levels of traffic using the road and to reduce the current speed limit to 20mph. Having considered the views of the Traffic & Parking Working Party it was:

Resolved:

That consideration of this matter be deferred until the completion of the Kent Elm Highway works.

Reasons for Decision

To ensure any action is appropriate to the issue and results in a beneficial impact without negatively impacting on adjacent streets.

Other Options

As set out in the submitted report

Note:- This is an Executive Function

Eligible for call-in to: Place Scrutiny Committee

Cabinet Member: Councillor Moring

256 Requests for Waiting Restrictions

The Cabinet Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought Members' approval to authorise the advertisement of the amendments and/or new waiting restrictions at the locations indicated in Appendix 1 to the report, 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 implement the proposals. Having considered the views of the Traffic & Parking Working Party it was:

Resolved:

That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the relevant statutory notice and undertake the necessary consultation for a traffic regulation order(s) for the following requests and, subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

- (i) Amend existing waiting restrictions and loading bays to create additional pay and display parking with the Town Centre Controlled Parking Zone.
- (ii) introduce waiting restrictions in turning area of Old School Court, Shoeburyness.

Reason for Decision

To mitigate for likelihood of traffic flows being impeded, to improve safety or increase parking availability.

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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Eligible for call-in to Place Scrutiny Committee:

Cabinet Member: Councillor Moring

Chairman: _____