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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Traffic and Parking Working Party

Date: Monday, 8th January, 2018
Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor T Cox (Chairman)
Councillors M Borton, M Butler, M Flewitt, J Garston and D Kenyon

In Attendance: Councillor D Garston
P Geraghty, C Hindle-Terry and T Row

Start/End Time: 6.00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Byford, Callaghan and Ware-Lane (no substitutes).

2 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

(a) Councillor J Garston – Agenda Item No. 5 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Cliffs Pavilion Parking Bays) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity;

(b) Councillor J Garston – Agenda Item No. 5 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Scheme (Amendment No. 3) – Pecuniary interest: Lives in the area to be included in the proposed extension to the permit parking area (withdrew);

(c) Councillor Flewitt – Agenda Item No. 6 (Petition requesting Pedestrian Crossing at Western Approaches) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity;

(d) Councillor Flewitt – Agenda Item No. 7 (Petition relating to Whitehouse Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Knows the petitioner.

3 Minutes of the special meeting held on Thursday, 26th October 2017

Resolved:

That the Minutes of the special meeting held on Thursday 26th October 2017 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

4 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 2nd January 2017

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 2nd November 2017 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

5 Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders

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 report also sought an appropriate recommendation to the Cabinet Committee on the way forward in respect of all of these proposals, after having considered all of the representations that had been received in writing and at the meeting. Large scale plans of the proposals were displayed at the meeting.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended:

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. 3) Order 2017 as advertised, subject to the exclusion of the following:

- High Cliff Drive;
- Woodfield Gardens;
- Kent View Avenue; and
- The Ridgeway.

2. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm the Borough of Southend-on-Sea ((Off-Street Parking Places) Consolidation Order 2005) (As amended) (Amendment No.4) Order 2017 as advertised.

3. 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) for the inclusion of San Remo Parade within the Cliffs Pavilion Permit Parking Area and, subject to there being no objections following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

4. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Cliffs Pavilion Area) (Prohibition of Waiting & Permit Parking Places) (Zone CP) Order 2016 (As amended) (Amendment No. 3) Order 2017 as advertised.

6 Petition requesting Pedestrian Crossing at Western Approaches

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of a petition comprising 394 signatures requesting a pedestrian crossing facility be provided in Western Approaches near to the supermarket, GP surgery and a route to a local school.

Resolved:-

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the petitioner be thanked for taking the time to compile the petition.
2. That officers investigate the request and report the findings to a future meeting of the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee.

7 Petition relating to Whitehouse Road

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of a petition comprising 143 signatures requesting that guard-railing be provided at the junction of Whitehouse Road and Blatches Chase, the installation of a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Whitehouse Road and Blatches Chase; and the relocation of the existing pedestrian crossing in Whitehouse Road near to Rayleigh Road.

Resolved:-

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the petitioner be thanked for taking the time to compile the petition.
2. That officers investigate the request and report the findings to a future meeting of the Traffic & Parking Working Party and Cabinet Committee.

8 Requests for Waiting Restrictions

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought Members' approval to recommend that the Cabinet Committee 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.

Resolved:-

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended that to authorise the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) to publish the relevant statutory notice and undertake the necessary consultation for the introduction of 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:

- Eastwood Boulevard Shopping Area – introduction of 2 hour limited waiting from 8.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. daily;
- Gunners Road and High Street, Shoeburyness – amendment of existing waiting restrictions to provide parking bays with limited waiting for a maximum of 20 minutes; and
- Hobblythick Lane – the introduction of waiting restrictions on the northbound carriageway (west kerblines) from 7.00 a.m. until 7.00 p.m. daily.

9 Exclusion of the Public

Resolved:-

That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below, on the grounds that they would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

10 Permanent Vehicular Crossing (PVX) - Exceptional Circumstances Application(s)

The Working Party received a report of Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that appraised Members of the exceptional circumstance applications for permanent vehicle crossings (PVX) as set out in Appendix 1 to the submitted report.

Resolved:-

That consideration of these applications be deferred for consideration at a special meeting to enable the applicants to attend the make to make representations.