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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Traffic Regulations Working Party

Date: Monday, 7th January, 2019

Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor A Moring (Chair)
Councillors T Cox (Vice-Chair), A Dear, M Flewitt, D Garne,
H McDonald, P Van Looy and C Willis

In Attendance: Councillors S Aylen, S Buckley, J Garston, R Hadley and C Nevin
G Smith, C Hindle-Terry and T Row

Start/End Time: 6.00 pm - 7.10 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 Flewitt – Agenda Item No. 6 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Alton Gardens) – Pecuniary interest: Gives a financial contribution to St Stephens Church (withdrew);

(b) Councillor Moring – Agenda Item No. 7 (Petition Requesting Closure of Oakwood Avenue and Shirley Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Mother owns a property in Briarwood Drive;

(c) Councillor Van Looy – Agenda Item No. 6 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Holland Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: One of the residents is known to him; and

(d) Councillor Willis – Agenda Item No. 8 (Requests for Traffic Regulation Orders – Hadleigh Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Wife works at a school in the Road.

3 Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 1st November 2018

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 1st November 2018 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

4 Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Tuesday 20th November 2018

Resolved: That the Minutes of the special meeting held on Tuesday 20th November 2018 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

5 Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Thursday, 6th December, 2018

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 6th December 2018 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

6 Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) concerning the representations that had been received in response to the statutory consultation for proposed Traffic Regulation Orders in respect of various proposals across the Borough. These included :

(a) the introduction of a prohibition of waiting from 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m. daily on the north side of Eastwoodbury Lane outside property nos. 7 to 57 and 67 to 85 Eastwoodbury Lane;

(b) the introduction of a prohibition of waiting from 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m. daily on the south side of Eastwoodbury Lane opposite property nos. 7 to 83 Eastwoodbury Lane;

(c) the introduction of a prohibition of waiting from 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m. daily on the west side of Eastwoodbury Crescent opposite property nos. 5 to 27 Eastwoodbury Crescent

(d) the introduction of a prohibition of waiting from 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m. daily on the east side of Eastwoodbury Crescent opposite property nos. 203 Rochford Road to 22 Eastwoodbury Crescent;

(e) the introduction of a prohibition of waiting from 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m. daily in the sections of Alton Gardens on the north west side from approximately. 15 metres from its junction with Manners Way to outside No.89 Alton Gardens and on the south east side from approximately 15 metres north east of its junction with Derek Gardens to approx. 15 metres south west of its junction with Manners Way; and

(f) the inclusion of Palmeira Avenue, Station Road and Holland Road, Westcliff on Sea within the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Cliffs Pavilion Area) (Prohibition of Waiting and Permit Parking Places) (Zone CP) Order 2016.

The report also sought an appropriate recommendation to the Cabinet Committee on the way forward in respect 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. Large scale plans of the proposals and photographs of the streets were displayed at the meeting.

Resolved:

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. 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. 13)

Order 2018 be deferred pending a review of the parking situation in the wider area and a report be submitted to the meeting of the Traffic Regulations Working Party and Cabinet Committee on 12th September 2019.

2. 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 (Amendment No. 3) Order 2018 as advertised and to arrange for the traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

7 Petition Requesting the Closure of Oakwood Avenue and Shirley Road

Pursuant to Minute 534 of the meeting of the Council held on 13th December 2018, the Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) concerning the receipt of a petition requesting the closure of Oakwood Avenue and Shirley Road at the junction of the A127.

The Working Party was reminded that a petition had previously been submitted by the residents of Oakwood Avenue requesting measures to reduce the levels of traffic using the road, through changes to the road layout, and to reduce the current speed limit to 20mph. This had been considered by the Cabinet Committee at its meeting on 13th September 2018 when it resolved that consideration of the matter be deferred until the completion of the Kent Elm Highway works (Minute 255 refers).

Resolved:

1. That the new petition be noted.
2. That the request be investigated and the findings be reported to a future meeting of this Committee following completion of the Kent Elm Highway works.

8 Requests for Traffic Regulation Orders

The Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought approval to authorise the advertisement of the amendments and/or new waiting restrictions at the locations indicated in Appendix 1 to the submitted 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.

The Working Party also had before it an additional request for St Vincent's Road to be included in the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Cliffs Pavilion Area) (Prohibition of Waiting and Permit Parking Places) (Zone CP) Order 2016. The Chairman agreed that this request be considered at this meeting as an urgent additional item given the level of public interest in the matter.

The Working Party also considered a further request to amend the School Keep Markings and waiting restrictions in Hornby Avenue outside the Prince Avenue Academy and Nursery. The Chairman also agreed that this request be considered at this meeting as an urgent additional item to ensure that the restrictions were appropriately regularised on the grounds of road safety.

Resolved:

That the Cabinet Committee be recommended to authorise the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) 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 received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented:

- (i) the introduction of speed reduction measures in Hadleigh Road, Leigh-on-Sea;
- (ii) the removal/reduction of waiting restrictions on the south side of Rampart Street, Shoeburyness to create additional parking;
- (iii) the inclusion of St Vincent's Road, Westcliff-on-Sea with the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Cliffs Pavilion Area) (Prohibition of Waiting and Permit Parking Places) (Zone CP) Order 2016; and
- (iv) the amendment of the school keep clear markings and waiting restrictions in Hornby Avenue, Westcliff-on-Sea around the Prince Avenue Academy and Nursery.

9 Requests for Waiting Restrictions - On-Street Electric Charging Bays in Residential Streets

The Working Party considered a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought approval to authorise the advertisement of Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders in accordance with the statutory processes, for the introduction of on-street Electric Charging Bays in residential streets.

Resolved: That Cabinet Committee be recommended that the principle of experimental traffic regulation orders to introduce on-street Electric Charging Bays in residential streets be approved subject to:

1. A more detailed report, to be submitted to the Traffic Regulations Working Party and Cabinet Committee for consideration explaining the enforcement on the use of any bays.
2. The Traffic Regulations Working Party and relevant Ward Councillors be notified of the locations of any proposed bays prior to advertisement.
3. A regular update be included on the Agendas for future meetings of the Traffic Regulations Working Party and Cabinet Committee.

Chairman: _____