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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Traffic Regulations Working Party

Date: Thursday, 6th June, 2019

Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor R Woodley (Chair)
Councillors K Robinson (Vice-Chair), K Buck, D Cowan, T Cox,
B Hooper*, D Jarvis, H McDonald, D Nelson, M Terry and
P Van Looy
(*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 31.)

In Attendance: Councillors M Flewitt, D McGlone, S Wakefield and P Wexham
S Harrington, N Hunwicks, T Row, B Frost and D Caldwell

Start/End Time: 6.00 pm - 7.40 pm

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Collins (Substitute: Councillor Hooper) and from Councillor Moring.

2 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

(a) Councillor Cowan – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Wells Avenue and Rochford Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Worked with residents on the issues and presented concerns on their behalf;

(b) Councillor Flewitt – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Wells Avenue and Rochford Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Worked with residents on the issues in Wells Avenue and residents in Rochford Road are known to him;

(c) Councillor Hooper – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Hadleigh Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity and knows residents in the area;

(d) Councillor McDonald – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Arnold Avenue, Beresford Road, Burnaby Road, Burdett Road, Beach Road and Kursaal Way) – Non-pecuniary interest: Worked with residents in the area to explain the process;

(e) Councillor McGlone – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Wells Avenue and Rochford Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Residents in the area are known to him;

(f) Councillor Terry – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Arnold Avenue, Beresford Road, Burnaby Road, Burdett Road, Beach Road and

Kursaal Way) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest: Residents in the area affected are very well known to him (withdrew);

(g) Councillor Van Looy – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Arnold Avenue, Beresford Road, Burnaby Road, Burdett Road, Beach Road and Kursaal Way) – Non-pecuniary interest: Knows residents in Beresford Road; and

(h) Councillor Woodley – Agenda Item No. 4 (Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Wells Avenue and Rochford Road) – Non-pecuniary interest: Daughter is a pilot flying out of Southend Airport.

3 Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 7th March 2019

With reference to Minute 5 (Requests for Waiting Restrictions), it was pointed out that the enforcement of parking on grass verges and weight restrictions using existing traffic regulation order legislation had been raised, given the limited powers available to the Council as highway authority. This however, had not been recorded in the Minutes.

Resolved:-

That, subject to the amendment detailed above, the Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 7th March 2019 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

4 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 amendment of the existing parking management scheme to introduce shared resident parking bays from 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. daily and pay & display/phone parking from 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. daily in Arnold Avenue, Beresford Road, Burnaby Road, Beach Road, Burdett Road and Kursaal Way, Southend on Sea;

(b) the introduction of a series of speed cushions in Hadleigh Road, Leigh on Sea;

(c) the introduction of junction protection 'no waiting at any time' restrictions in Centurion Close, Shoeburyness; and

(d) the introduction of residents parking schemes in Wells Avenue and Rochford Road, Southend on Sea.

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.

Resolved:-

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That no further action in respect of the proposals to introduce shared resident parking bays from 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. daily and pay & display/phone parking from 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. daily in Arnold Avenue, Beresford Road, Burnaby Road, Beach Road, Burdett Road and Kursaal Way, Southend on Sea and 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 2019, subject to their exclusion from the order.

2. That the proposed speed cushions in Hadleigh Road not be progressed as advertised but that a report identifying appropriate/alternative measures in the Hadleigh Road and the roads in the wider surrounding area be submitted for consideration at the meeting of the Traffic Regulations Working Party and Cabinet Committee taking place on 12th September 2019.

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. 2) Order 2019 as advertised and to arrange for the amended traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

4. That resolution 2 of Minute 764 of the Cabinet Committee held on 7th March 2019 regarding the hours of operation now be amended from “09.00 hrs to 17.00 hrs daily” to “09.00 hrs to 17.00 hrs Monday to Friday” and that the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to confirm the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Rochford Road Service Roads Residents Permit Parking Scheme) (Zone RR) (Provision of Residents Permit Parking Places and Disabled Parking Bays) Order 2019 accordingly and to arrange for the amended traffic regulation order to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

5 Requests for Waiting Restrictions

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.

With reference to the request for waiting restrictions in Eastwood Park Car Park, the Cabinet Committee was informed that this same request had previously been considered by the Cabinet Committee at its last meeting. At that meeting it had resolved to amend the hours of the restrictions from those requested to enable other users of the park to be able to use the car park (Minute 765 refers). Authorisation to undertake statutory consultation for these proposals had therefore already been granted and any objections to the proposed hours should therefore be made in writing to the statutory notice when published.

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 “no waiting at any time” restrictions on the bend in Snakes Lane, Southend on Sea;
- (ii) the amendment of limited waiting in Shorefield Road, from 1 hour no return in 4 hours to 2 hours no return in 4 hours;
- (iii) the introduction of a shared loading and parking bay in the Victoria Avenue Service Road, outside the property at 47 Victoria Road, Southend on Sea; and
- (iv) the amendment of the existing waiting restrictions in Royston Avenue at its junction with Eastern Avenue Service Road and Eastern Avenue to provide “no waiting at any time” junction protection on the north kerbline of Eastern Avenue Service Road opposite the junction of Royston Avenue, Southend on Sea.

6 Petition requesting the installation of a footpath in Prittlewell Chase

Pursuant to Minute 876 of the meeting of the Council held on 17th April 2019, the Cabinet Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that receipt of the petition containing 83 signatures requesting the provision of a footway across the grassed central reservation in Prittlewell Chase, between the junction of Eastbourne Grove on the eastbound side of Prittlewell Chase and the bus stop on the westbound side.

Resolved:-

1. That the petition be noted.
2. That the request be investigated and a report on the outcome of the investigation be submitted to a future meeting of the Traffic Regulations Working Party and Cabinet Committee.

Chairman: _____