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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Traffic Regulations Working Party

Date: Thursday, 12th September, 2019

Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor R Woodley (Chair)
Councillors K Robinson (Vice-Chair), P Collins, D Cowan, T Cox,
A Dear*, D Garne*, D Jarvis, H McDonald, D Nelson and
S Wakefield*
*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 31.

In Attendance: Councillors F Evans, B Hooper, J Lamb, C Mulroney and P Wexham
S Harrington, C Hindle-Terry, N Hunwicks, T Row and B Frost

Start/End Time: 6.00 pm - 7.15 pm

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Buck (substitute: Councillor Dear), Moring (substitute: Councillor Garne), Van Looy (substitute: Councillor Wakefield) and Terry (no substitute).

2 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

(a) Councillor Cowan – Agenda Item No. 6 (Requests for Traffic Regulation Orders – Lundy Close) – Non-pecuniary interest: Consulted with residents on this scheme;

(b) Councillor McDonald – Agenda Item No.6 (Requests for Traffic Regulation Orders – Thorpe Bay Gardens) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity;

(c) Councillors McDonald and Dear – Agenda Item No.6 (Requests for Traffic Regulation Orders – Warrior Square and Tylers Avenue dual purpose Taxi Ranks) – Non-pecuniary interest: Member of Licensing Sub Committee C which has already considered the appointment of the taxi rank. (Note: neither Councillor McDonald nor Dear took part in the discussion in relation to this item or voting thereon.)

3 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 6th June 2019

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 6th June 2019 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

4 Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 27th June 2019

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 27th June 2019, 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 presented the representations that had been received in response to the statutory consultation for a traffic regulation order amending the (Cliffs Pavilion Area) (Prohibition of Waiting and Permit Parking Places) (Zone CP) Order 2016.

The effect of the Order, if approved, would introduce permit parking places to facilitate the improvement of parking for residents in St. Vincent's Road, between the hours of 11.00 am to 9.00 pm daily.

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

The Working Party's expressed its concerns that the introduction of permit parking in this road in isolation would be likely to result in further displaced parking into the surrounding roads. Accordingly, other roads the wider area should be considered.

Resolved:-

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

1. That the Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Cliffs Pavilion Area) (Prohibition of Waiting & Permit Parking Places) (Zone CP) Order 2016 (Amendment No. 1) Order 2019 not be confirmed.
2. That consultation be undertaken to introduce permit parking in the roads in the wider area, the extent of which to be determined by officers in consultation with the Ward Councillors.

6 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.

In response to questions regarding the current situation of the outstanding requests included in the approved list of schemes that had been previously been considered by the former Traffic & Parking Working Party, it was noted that the details would be investigated and progress circulated to the Working Party shortly.

With reference to the introduction of waiting restrictions in Lundy Close, the Working Party requested that additional waiting restrictions be introduced on the south side opposite the designated parking lay by.

With reference to the appointment of taxi stands, the Working Party was informed that these matters had been referred to the Licensing Sub Committee C at its meeting on 5th September 2019.

Resolved:-

That Cabinet Committee be recommended:

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) 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 north side of Lundy Close, the relocation of the existing disabled parking bay to the south side of Lundy Close and the making of individual parking bays to regulate indiscriminate parking;

(ii) the introduction of new and the relocation of the existing disabled parking bays in Warrior Square between the High Street and Chichester Road;

(iii) the relocation and extension of the existing loading bay in Warrior Square between the High Street and Chichester Road and its conversion to a dual purpose taxi rank/loading bays

(iv) the relocation and reduction of the number of disabled parking bays, the introduction of a loading bay to enable loading from 7.00 am to 7.00 pm Mondays to Fridays and 8.00 am – 1.00 pm Saturdays, together with the relocation of the existing Fire Service lane in Whitegate Road between the High Street and Chichester Road;

(v) the introduction of a loading bay, the hours of which to be from 7.00 am to 7.00 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and from 8.00 am to 1.00 pm Saturdays. The loading bay to be a dual purpose with a taxi rank at all other times;

(vi) the introduction of two new parking bays for disabled persons on the highway and the introduction of a loading bay, the hours of which to be from 7.00 am to 7.00 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and from 8.00 am to 1.00 pm Saturdays, in York Road at its junction with Chichester Road;

(vii) the introduction of no waiting at any time restrictions in Cannonsleigh Crescent, Leigh on Sea on the corner on the north side opposite the school entrance.

2. That the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) requested to investigate the feasibility of introducing no waiting at any time restrictions on the south side of Lundy Close opposite the designated parking lay by and, if appropriate, the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) be authorised to publish the relevant statutory notice and undertake the necessary consultation for the relevant traffic regulation order and, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for the order to be sealed and the proposals implemented.

3. That the proposed introduction of speed humps in Thorpe Bay Gardens to address anti-social behaviour in the form of speeding, not be progressed.

7 Hadleigh Road Area

Pursuant to Minute 56 of the meeting of the Cabinet Committee held on 6th June 2019, the Working Party received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that sought approval to recommend to the Cabinet Committee the authorisation of the advertisement and introduction proposed traffic calming measures in Hadleigh Road, Leigh on Sea and the adjacent side roads as illustrated in Appendix 1 to the submitted report, in accordance with the statutory processes.

The report also sought approval to recommend that the Cabinet Committee authorise, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) to arrange for any necessary traffic regulation orders to

be sealed and to implement the proposals. A plan of the proposals was displayed at the meeting.

It was noted that the proposals had been prepared following consultation of all the Ward Councillors.

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 the introduction of the traffic calming measures as set out in Appendix 1 to the submitted report and the plan displayed at the meeting and, subject to there being no objections received following statutory advertisement, to arrange for any traffic regulation order(s) to be sealed and the proposals implemented.