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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Place Scrutiny Committee

Date: Monday, 4th October, 2021
Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor A Moring (Chair)
Councillors N Folkard (Vice-Chair), K Buck, D Cowan, T Cowdrey*,
T Cox*, M Dent, F Evans, K Evans, S George, D Jarvis, K Mitchell,
D Nelson*, S Wakefield, N Ward, J Warren and P Wexham
(*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 31.)

In Attendance: Councillors C Mulroney and M Terry
G Gilbert, J Burr and T Row

Start/End Time: 6.30 pm - 7.35 pm

360 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bright (substitute: Councillor Cox), Robinson (substitute: Councillor Cowdrey) and Walker (substitute: Councillor Nelson).

361 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

(i) Councillor Evans – Minute No. (Traffic Regulation Order Objection Report) – Non-pecuniary interest: Friends live in Thorpe Bay Gardens;

(ii) Councillor Moring – Minute No. (Traffic Regulation Order Objection Report) – Non-pecuniary interest: Lives in the vicinity of Thorpe Bay Gardens; and

(iii) Councillor Nelson – Minute No. (Traffic Regulation Order Objection Report) – Non-pecuniary interest: Friends live in the vicinity of Thorpe Bay Gardens and currently lives in Radar Close.

362 Questions from Members of the Public

The Cabinet Member for Environment, Culture, Tourism and Planning responded to two questions from Mr David Webb.

363 Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 31st August, 2021

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 31st August 2021 be received, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

364 Traffic Regulation Order Objection Report

The Scrutiny Committee considered Minute 323 of Cabinet Committee, which had been called-in for scrutiny, together the report of the Executive Director (Neighbourhoods and Environment) that presented the representations that had been received in response to the statutory consultation for traffic regulation orders for the introduction of waiting restrictions in the sections of road set out in the Appendices to the submitted report.

The Committee expressed concern that the Cabinet Member for Transport, Asset Management and Inward investment and Chair of the Cabinet Committee was not in attendance to answer questions, particularly in relation to the decision regarding Thorpe Bay Gardens and why the recommendation of officers not to proceed with this matter had not been approved.

Resolved:-

1. That the matter be referred back to Cabinet Committee for reconsideration with a recommendation that the traffic regulation order in Thorpe Bay Gardens should not proceed in accordance with the advice of Officers.

2. That, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 39, the matter be referred to full Council for consideration. ||

Note: This is an Executive function
Cabinet Member: Councillor Woodley

365 Joint In-Depth Scrutiny Project 2021/22

The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director (Legal & Democratic Services) that provided an update on the progress of the joint in-depth scrutiny project for 2021/22. The report also presented a copy of the project plan and work programme for the joint in-depth scrutiny project, copies of which were attached to the submitted report.

Resolved:-

That the project plan and work programme for the joint in-depth scrutiny project for 2021/22 be noted.

Note: This is a Scrutiny function

Chairman: _____