

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Town Hall, Main Road, Romford  
24 January 2012 (7.30 - 9.30 pm)**

**Present:**

**COUNCILLORS**

<b>Conservative Group</b>	Billy Taylor (Chairman), Frederick Thompson (Vice-Chair), Steven Kelly, Lynden Thorpe and Damian White
<b>Residents' Group</b>	Brian Eagling and John Wood
<b>Labour Group</b>	Denis Breading
<b>Independent Residents Group</b>	David Durant

Councillors Gary Pain, Linda Hawthorn, Linda Van den Hende, Barry Tebbutt and Ron Ower were present for parts of the meeting.

There were three members of the public present at the meeting.

All decisions were taken unanimously, with no votes against unless shown otherwise.

The Chairman reminded Members of the action to be taken in the event of an emergency.

Councillor Breading declared a personal interest on the matter relating to H35 – Corbets Tey Road – Additional 6 pay-and-display bays.

**60 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13 December 2011 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**61 PROPOSALS TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW AND PARKING IN UPMINSTER TOWN CENTRE - ADDITIONAL MEASURES**

The Committee considered the report and without debate, **RESOLVED:**

1. To recommend to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that:

between 09:30 hours and 18:30 hours, Monday to Saturdays a scheme be implemented to convert existing Disc Parking to Pay and Display in the following lengths of the road:

- a. St. Mary's Lane, the north side from the common boundary of Nos. 157 and 159 St Mary's Lane to a point 3.2 metres east of the eastern boundary of No. 189 St. Mary's Lane;

- b. St. Mary's Lane, the north side from a point 0.7 metres west of the common boundary of Nos. 193 and 195 St. Mary's Lane to a point 7.0 metres east of the western boundary of Nos. 209 to 213 St. Mary's Lane.

The various elements of this proposal were shown on drawing QJ019-of-105-C.

2. To recommend to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that:

- a scheme be implemented to introduce At Any Time Waiting Restrictions and Sunday Loading Restrictions operable between 08:00 hours and 18:30 hours in the following length of road:

- a. Howard Road, Upminster, the north side, between the western flank wall of No. 1 Howard Road and a point 9.5 metres west of that flank wall.

The various elements of the proposal were shown on drawing QJ019-of-101-C.

3. That that Committee note that the cost to implement the measure was £9,000, which would be met by Transport for London through the allocation for 2011/12 Local Implementation Plan for the Upminster Town Centre Package.

The vote was 8 votes to 1 abstention. Councillor Breading abstained from voting.

The Committee considered a report that proposed minor safety improvements in the vicinity of Philip Road / Edmund Road junction to minimise accidents. The improvements proposed included speed control humps and double yellow lines.

The Government and Transport for London had set draft targets for 2020 to reduce Killed or Serious injury accidents (KSI) by 33%; Child KSIs by 50%; pedestrian and cyclist KSI's by 50% from the baseline of the average number of casualties for 2004-08. The Philip Road minor safety improvements would help to meet these targets.

A public consultation has been carried out and the report detailed the finding of the feasibility study, public consultation and made recommendations for the outlined safety improvements be approved.

In accordance with the public participation arrangements the Committee was addressed by a resident who supported the scheme. The resident was of the view that the 2 sets of existing cushions should be converted to humps and a further 2 more humps provided (total of 6 in the street).

During deliberations the Committee raised the following issues:

A Member of the Committee was of the opinion that the current scheme be implemented and a suggested that a review be undertaken in about eight months time to consider if further measures were required.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to:

1. Recommend to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that the following proposals be implemented as shown on the drawing No. QK004/A.

- (a) Speed control humps along Philip Road on either sides of Edmund Road Junction.

- (b) Double yellow lines along Philip Road to a distance of 15metres from Edmund Road and the reduced length of 10metres along Edmund Road from Philip Road as shown on the above drawing.

2. That a further review and consultation be carried out in September 2012 to consider if further measures were along Philip Road.

3. That, it be noted that the estimated cost of £12,000 would be met from the Transport for London's (TfL) 2011/12 financial year allocation to Havering for Accident Reduction Programme.

63 **SOUTH STREET , ROMFORD -ENHANCEMENT S PACKAGE PHASE 1,2, & 3**

The Committee considered the report and without debate, **RESOLVED**

1. To note the content of the report with regard to Phases 1 and 3 (Drawings QK040/SK200 & 202) as described in paragraphs 1.6 and 1.8 of the report.
2. To note the content of the report with regard to Phase 2 (Drawing QK040/SK201A) and recommend to the Cabinet Member for community Empowerment that the footway widening proposed be implemented, as described in paragraph 1.7 of the report.
3. That it be noted that the estimated cost of £425,000 would be met from the 2011/12 (£125k) and 2012/13 (£300k) Transport for London Local Implementation Plan allocation for the Romford Public Realm Package.

64 **BRIDGE CLOSE PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS - COMMENTS TO ADVERTISED PROPOSALS**

The Committee considered the report and without debate, **RESOLVED**

1. To recommend the following to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment :
  - All of the proposed 'At any time' waiting and loading restrictions and the free parking bays for Bridge Close be implemented as advertised, except for the section of 'At any time' loading ban in an area from a point 1 metre south-east of the north-westernmost building line of no.12 Bridge Close and a point 2.7 meters north-west of the south-eastern kerblines of the north westernmost south-west to north-east arm of Bridge Close, as outlined on drawing no. QJ077-OF-04.
  - Agree in principle to the advertisement of a loading bay, operational 6am to 9pm throughout the week, situated on the south-eastern kerblines of the north westernmost south-west to north-east arm of Bridge Close, as outlined on drawing no. QJ077-OF-05, and should any comments be received, the Head of Streetcare in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee be authorised to decide a further course of action.

65 **PROPOSED PAY & DISPLAY SCHEMES**

The Committee considered the report and without debate, **RESOLVED**

1. To recommend to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that:
  - The proposals set out in the report, paragraph 2.1 - Oaklands Avenue, paragraph 2.2 - Butts Green Road and paragraph - 2.4 Wennington Road, be implemented as advertised and the effects be monitored.
  - That the proposals set out in paragraph 2.3 - Hornchurch Road, of the report be implemented as advertised, with a reduction of the proposed 'At any time' waiting restrictions on both sides of Hylands Close, from 15 metres to 10 metres and the effects of the scheme be monitored.

The vote was 8 votes to 1 abstention. Councillor Durant abstained from voting.

## 66 HIGHWAYS SCHEMES APPLICATIONS

The report presented Members with all new highway schemes requests in order for a decision to be made on whether the scheme should progress or not before resources were expended on detailed design and consultation.

The Committee would either make recommendations to the Head of StreetCare to progress the scheme or the Committee would reject the request.

The Committee considered and agreed in principle the schedule that detailed the applications received by the service en bloc.

The Committee's decisions were noted as follows against each request:

Item Ref	Scheme	Description	Decision
<b>SECTION A - Highway scheme proposals with funding in place</b>			
<b>Transport for London Local Implementation Plan 2011/12</b>			
H1	North Street and Main Road, Romford	Topographic and utility surveys of the junctions of Main Road/Upper Brentwood Road, Main Road/Balgores Lane and North Street/A12 in advance of detailed improvement feasibilities for 2012/13	<b>AGREED</b>

<b>Transport for London Local Implementation Plan 2012/13 - Brought early to HAC following Mayor of London announcement in December 2011. Project development (unless a multi-year scheme will not commence until 1st April 2012.</b>			
H2	Gooshays Drive/ Gubbins Lane Highway Improvements	Further works following master planning of corridor and previous years' works (links to Ambitions)	<b>AGREED</b>
H3	Gidea Park Walkability Scheme	3rd year of 3 year programme to improve access between transport modes at station in advance of Crossrail	<b>AGREED</b>
H4	Gubbins Lane/ A12 Colchester Road	Feasibility into widening Gubbins Lane to provide two-lane approach (brief TBC with TfL)	<b>AGREED</b>
H5	Bus Stop Accessibility R248	Continuance of programme within Upminster and Cranham	<b>AGREED</b>
H6	Bus Route R248	Relocation of street furniture to assist bus movements	<b>AGREED</b>
H7	Sustrans Connect 2 Phases 2 and 3	Continuance of multi-year programme (includes off highway elements)	<b>AGREED</b>
H8	Main Road/ North Street Corridor	Development of projects and programme for smoothing traffic flow schemes identified in 2010/11 corridor studies	<b>AGREED</b>
H9	Collier Row Lane pedestrian crossing signals linking	Continuance of multi-year programme	<b>AGREED</b>
H10	Lower Bedfords Road/ Straight Road etc junction study	Continuance of multi-year programme. Links to Ambitions and Whitworth/ Broxhill sites development.	<b>AGREED</b>
H11	Elm Park Station Access Scheme	Development of project to improve access between transport modes and improve traffic movements	<b>AGREED</b>
H12	Rainham Road/ Elm Park Avenue junction upgrade	Implementation of previously approved junction widening and pedestrian access improvements	<b>AGREED</b>
H13	Upminster Road South Local Area Package	Improvements around shipping parade near Brights Avenue. First year of multi-year scheme	<b>AGREED</b>

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H14	37-55 Collier Row Lane	Parking and environmental enhancements outside shops (2nd year of 2 year scheme)	<b>AGREED</b>
H15	Romford Public Realm Improvements	Continuance of multi-year scheme to repave, declutter and landscape core of Town Centre	<b>AGREED</b>
H16	Harold Hill Learning Village	Improved streets and places scheme supporting access to learning village, including footways and lighting	<b>AGREED</b>
H17	Briar Road Estate Environmental Improvements Package	Improved streets and places scheme supporting development and improvements to estate. Links to Ambitions.	<b>AGREED</b>
H18	Improving public transport reliability (buses)	Minor schemes to reduce delays	<b>AGREED</b>
H19	Freight loading facilities review	Start of multi-year programme to provide accessible loading facilities around town, district and local centres across Havering	<b>AGREED</b>
H20	Upminster Casualty-Reduction Package	Wingletye Lane, Park Farm Road and Aveley Road	<b>AGREED</b>
H21	Hornchurch Casualty-Reduction Package	Hornchurch Road, Rush Green Road and Upper Rainham Road	<b>AGREED</b>
H22	Emerson Park Casualty-Reduction Package	Ardleigh Green Road, Squirrels Heath Road and Slewins Lane	<b>AGREED</b>
H23	Rainham Road/ South End Road /Junction Casualty Reduction Scheme	Cherry Tree Junction	<b>AGREED</b>
H24	Harold Hill Casualty-Reduction Package	Straight Road and Hilldene Avenue	<b>AGREED</b>
H25	Minor Safety Schemes Package	Junction Road pedestrian crossing, Ravenscourt Grove pedestrian crossing & Station Lane pedestrian casualty review	<b>AGREED</b>
H26	Roneo Corner Gyratory - cycling facilities review	Review of existing cycling facilities and development of improvements to access Rainham Road	<b>AGREED</b>

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H27	Bus Stop Accessibility R294	Bus Stop Accessibility Improvements, Whitchurch Road	<b>AGREED</b>
H28	School Travel Plan Implementation - Wykeham Primary School	Measures to assist School Crossing Patrol and pedestrian access	<b>AGREED</b>
H29	School Travel Plan Implementation - Hylands Primary School	Measures to assist School Crossing Patrol and pedestrian access	<b>AGREED</b>
H30	School Travel Plan Implementation	Review of current school STPs to inform and prioritise future highway scheme bids	<b>AGREED</b>
H31	A127/ Hubbards Close	Closure/ restriction of Hubbards Close at A127	<b>AGREED</b>
<b>Development-linked schemes</b>			
H32	Airfield Way, Hornchurch	Provision of pedestrian refuge near Rochester Road	<b>AGREED</b>
H33	Marshalls' Park estate	Advertise proposals to bring estate into Romford CPZ and local 20mph Zone	<b>AGREED (8 FOR 1 ABS)</b>
H34	"My Place" Centre, Gooshays Drive, Harold Hill	Provision of blue badge parking bays and short term drop/ off pick up bay in lay-by being built as part of development	<b>AGREED</b>
<b>Other Schemes</b>			
H35	Corbets Tey Road	Provision of 6 additional Pay & Display Bays, near St Laurence Church	<b>REJECTE D (8 REJ, 1 ABS)</b>
<b>SECTION B - Highway scheme proposals without funding available</b>			
H36	Upminster Town Centre, 95 signature petition.	We, the undersigned call upon Havering Borough Council Cabinet Member receiving recommendations from the Highways Advisory Committee to defer the proposals agreed by that Committee in 18th October, 2011 in favour of the Traffic Management Scheme in Upminster.	<b>REJECTE D (7 REJ, 1 ABS)</b> <b>Councillor Breading left prior to debate and vote for this item only.</b>



		We believe that a more comprehensive review of the impact of the proposals should be undertaken and that consideration of a town-wide residential and business parking scheme should form part of that review.	
H37	Walden Way/ Wykeham Avenue, Ardleigh Green	Request for traffic calming and 20mph speed limit	<b>REJECTE D 8-1</b>
H38	Lodge Lane, Collier Row	Remove speed cushions and replace with double yellow lines or footway parking	<b>REJECTE D</b>
H39	Mount Pleasant Road, Collier Row	Traffic calming to deal with speeding traffic	<b>REJECTE D</b>
<b>SECTION C - Highway scheme proposals on hold for future discussion (for Noting)</b>			
None to report			

## 67 TRAFFIC AND PARKING SCHEMES REQUESTS

The report before the Committee detailed all Minor Traffic and Parking Scheme application requests in order for a decision to be made on whether the scheme should progress or not before resources were expended on detailed design and consultation.

The Committee would either make recommendations to the Head of StreetCare to progress the scheme or the Committee would reject the request.

The Committee considered and agreed in principle the schedule that detailed the applications received by the service.

The Committee's decisions were noted as follows against each scheme:

### Minor Traffic & Parking Schemes Applications Schedule

Item Ref	Scheme	Description	Decision
TPC176	211-233 Pettits Lane North, Romford	Request to restrict parking bays outside businesses and shops to allow constant flow of trade to the area	<b>REJECTED</b> <b>8-1 abstention</b>
TPC177	17 Guildford Gardens, Harold Hill, Romford	Request to implement free parking bays and yellow lines in Guildford Gardens to improve the situation caused by vehicles being parked in an inconsiderate manner	<b>REJECTED</b>
TPC178	Chaucer Road/Heaton Way/Sheridan Close, Harold Hill, Romford	Request for 'At any time' waiting restrictions on all arms of the junction of Chaucer Road & Heaton Way	<b>REJECTED</b> <b>8-1</b>
TPC179	Birch Road/Cross Road, Romford	Inconsiderate parking in Cross Road when Winchester Club open Request for junction protection at the junction of Birch Road & Cross Road	<b>REJECTED</b>
TPC180	Petersfield Avenue, Harold Hill	Request for double yellow lines to prevent parking near pedestrian refuges at the parade of shops	<b>REJECTED</b>

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TPC181	Mawney Road, Romford	Request to remove restrictions in Mawney Road in the area north of the A12	<b>DEFERRED</b>
TPC182	13 Cedar Road, Romford	Request to remove the parking bay outside this property to prevent vehicle blocking resident access/egress of driveway	<b>AGREED</b>
TPC183	Caernarvon Close, Hornchurch	Request for junction protection at entrance of Caernarvon Close to deter obstructive parking	<b>REJECTED</b>
TPC184	Westlyn Close & Upminster Road North, Rainham	Request to:1) remove parking bays on one side of Westlyn Close as large vehicles have difficulty making deliveries 2) remove bay in Upminster Road North near the junction with Westlyn Close as parked vehicles obscure sightlines	<b>REJECTED</b>
TPC185	Milton Avenue & Upper Rainham Road, Hornchurch	Request for junction protection at the junction of Milton Avenue & Upper Rainham Road	<b>REJECTED</b> <b>8-1</b>
TPC186	Tudor Gardens, Upminster	Request to extend existing parking restrictions in St Mary's Lane/Cedar Gardens (8am to 9:30pm) to cover Tudor Gardens to deter commuter parking.	<b>REJECTED</b>

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TPC187	Chandlers Way opposite Slaney Road, Romford	Request to extend existing double yellow line in Chandlers Way opposite Slaney Road as drivers parking on existing single yellow line at night are making it difficult for buses turning left	<b>AGREED 8-1</b>
TPC188	Hall Lane, Upminster	Request to extend the yellow line further north on the east side of Hall Lane, with restrictions applicable Sunday 9am to 1pm only, to assist with problem parking during football games	<b>DEFERRED</b>
TPC189	2 Belmont Road, Upminster	Request for yellow lines in Belmont Avenue to help resident with access/egress to drive	<b>REJECTED</b>
TPC190	Saddleworth Square, Harold Hill	Request for parking restrictions in Saddleworth Square to deter obstructive parking	<b>REJECTED</b>
TPC70	Mashiters Walk, Romford	Request for single yellow line restriction between 10am and 11am following increase in commuter parking as a result of the restrictions recently implemented in the Lake Rise/Rosemary Avenue Area	<b>NOTED</b>
TPC93	Engayne Gardens, Upminster	Request to remove or convert to residents' parking bays a free parking bay on the corner of Engayne and Ashburnham Gardens	<b>NOTED</b>

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TPC120	Ruskin Avenue, Spenser Crescent, Masefield Drive and Hall Lane, Upminster	Request for junction protection at junction of Ruskin Avenue with Masefield Drive, Spenser Crescent with Masefield Drive, Spenser Crescent with Hall Lane and Masefield Drive with Hall Lane plus double yellow lines at the apex of bends in Masefield Drive to deter obstructive parking by users of Upminster Hall Playing Fields	<b>NOTED</b>
TPC130	Cheshire Close, Emerson Park	Request for footway parking bays	<b>NOTED</b>
TPC136	29 Hill Grove	Request for restrictions in Hill Grove due to increased number of vehicles parked in the road following the implementation of restrictions in Cedric Avenue	<b>NOTED</b>
TPC149	Chase Cross Road, Collier Row	Request for restrictions near the junction with Havering Road to be implemented from the bus stand back to the zebra crossing	<b>NOTED</b>
TPC156	Introduction of Pay by Phone	To provide additional method of payment for residents and visitors to the borough in Romford Town Centre car parks and a number of free bays in Upminster and Gidea Park where commuter parking is prevalent and dual usage of voucher bays in Crow Lane	<b>NOTED</b>

68 **URGENT BUSINESS**

**68 UPMINSTER ACCIDENT REDUCTION PROGRAMME -  
UPMINSTER ROAD BETWEEN NORFOLK ROAD AND ABRAHAM  
COURT REVISED PEDESTRIAN REFUGE PROPOSAL (THE  
OUTCOME OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION)**

The Committee considered the report and without debate,  
**RESOLVED**

1. To recommend to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that the revised pedestrian refuge proposal be implemented as shown on the drawing no. QK002/U/1.
2. That, it be noted that the estimated cost of £10,000 would be met from the Transport for London's (TfL) 2011/12 financial year allocation to Havering for Accident Reduction Programme.

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**Chairman**