

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Town Hall, Main Road, Romford
14 October 2014 (7.30 - 9.30 pm)**

Present:

COUNCILLORS

Conservative Group	Ray Best (Vice-Chair), Frederick Thompson, John Crowder, Dilip Patel and Carol Smith
Residents' Group	June Alexander, Barry Mugglestone, Ron Ower and John Mylod
UKIP	Ian de Wulverton (Chairman)

Apologies was received for the absence of Councillor David Durant.

Councillors Linda Hawthorn and Melvin Wallace were present for parts of the meeting.

Unless otherwise indicated all decisions were taken with no votes against.

There were 18 members of the public present during the meeting.

There were no declarations of interest.

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

33 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 September 2014 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

34 PROPOSED LOADING BAY AND PARKING IMPROVEMENTS IN STATION ROAD HAROLD WOOD

The report before the Committee detailed responses to a consultation relating to provision of loading facilities for businesses and improving parking for shoppers in Station Road, Harold Wood.

The report detailed that as part of the Local Implementation Plan for 2014/15, funding had been allocated by Transport for London for freight loading facilities in the borough. As a result, Station Road had been progressed to address the problems associated with inconsiderate parking of delivery lorries at the existing bus stop which prevented buses from gaining safe access to the bus stop. While reviewing the loading facilities in Station Road, it had been considered necessary to review the existing parking for shoppers, commuters, residents and businesses.

Following a consultation that closed on 19 September 2014, two responses had been received, both in support of the proposals. London Buses had suggested a longer bus cage than that proposed, but it was not practical to increase the length further at the expense of reducing the zig-zag markings of the existing zebra crossing.

The following proposals were outlined in the report,

- provisions for a new loading bay for businesses,
- four new parking bays for shoppers,
- Kiss and Ride parking bay,
- business bays in Arundel Road etc.

Following a brief debate during which Members had received clarification from officers on the provision of the Kiss and Ride parking bay and on the requirements of Transport for London for taxi bays.

The Committee **RESOLVED:**

1. To recommend to the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment that the measures listed in Appendix A of the report (Schedule of Proposals nos. 1 to 7) of the report be implemented and the necessary traffic orders are made.
 - i) Schedule 1 – Bus stop and stand,
 - ii) Schedule 2 – Loading bay for businesses,
 - iii) Schedule 3 - Pay & Display parking places,
 - iv) Schedule 4 – Taxi rank parking,
 - v) Schedule 5 – Parking bays to set down and pick up passengers,
 - vi) Schedule 6A - Existing Business Permit Holder only bay,
 - vii) Schedule 6B - Existing Shared Residents/Business Permit Holders bay,
 - viii) Schedule 6C - New Business Permit Holders bay,
 - ix) Schedule 7 – Waiting restrictions.
2. That it be noted the cost of carrying out the works was £25,000. This would be met by Transport for London through the allocation for 2014/15 Local Implementation Plan for improving freight and loading facilities package.

35 TPC 296 - UPMINSTER CPZ PARKING REVIEW - COMMENTS TO ADVERTISED PROPOSALS

The report before the Committee detailed the responses received to the informal consultation and the subsequent design and consultation of advertised proposals for the extensions to the Uppminster Controlled Parking Zone in Beech Avenue, South View Drive and Fairfield Avenue.

The proposals were to extend the existing controlled parking zone to the currently unrestricted areas of Beech Avenue and Fairfield Avenue with waiting restrictions operational Monday to Friday 08:00am - 09.30am; while introducing a Free parking Bay on the western side of Fairview Avenue at its junction with Park Drive. It was also proposed to extend the existing Monday to Friday 08:00am - 09.30am in South View Drive to the common boundary of Nos. 58 and 60.

In accordance with the public participation arrangements and with the discretion of the Chairman the Committee was addressed by 2 local residents who spoke in favour of the proposed scheme and 1 local resident who spoke against the proposed scheme.

A resident of South View Drive, speaking in favour of the proposed scheme, stated that inconsiderate commuter parking was having an adverse effect on highway safety, particularly in relation to accessing and egressing front driveway. The resident raised concern over the volume of traffic using the road resulting from its proximity to a local school and by traffic seeking to bypass the town centre.

A second resident speaking in favour of the scheme noted that a significant amount of money had already been spent on the consultation process which revealed that a significant majority of residents favoured implementation. The resident also noted that the scheme was recommended for approval by officers and that further support had been received from the local Member of Parliament.

A resident of Beech Avenue, speaking against the scheme, explained that the effect of its implementation would be to remove the only available parking provision for some residents. The speaker stated the majority of properties in Beech Avenue do not have driveways or garages requiring residents to park on the street. The resident stated that she did not consider her road to be dangerous. The resident suggested extending the double yellow lines around the corners of junctions and the implementation of resident parking bays.

With the agreement of the Committee, Councillor Linda Hawthorn addressed the Committee. Councillor Hawthorn had explained that the majority of the local residents were in support of the scheme but there was a need to consider the impact of the proposal on those residents in Beech

Avenue who did not have off street parking who may be adversely affected by the scheme.

During the debate members discussed the specific factors affecting Beech Avenue. A member raised specific concerns for those residents of Beech Avenue who lacked an off street parking provision. Members received some clarification from officers on figures for displaced parking in the roads. Members agreed that the roads should be considered on their own merits.

Following a motion that the scheme be implemented as advertised with the addition that the effect on Beech Avenue be reviewed after a period of six months, with consideration given to the implementation of residents parking bays in Beech Avenue the Committee **RESOLVED**:

1. To recommend to the Cabinet Member for Environment that the following measures detailed in the report and shown on the drawings Appendix 1 and 2 of the report, be implemented:
 - extension of the existing controlled parking zone to the unrestricted areas of Beech Avenue and Fairfield Avenue with the implementation of waiting restrictions operational Monday to Friday 08:00am - 09.30am;
 - introduction of a Free Parking Bay on the western side of Fairview Avenue at its junction with Park Drive;
 - extension of the existing Monday to Friday 08:00am - 09.30am in South View Drive to the common boundary of Nos. 58 and 60.
2. That the effect of implantation be monitored.
3. That the specific effects of the scheme in Beech Avenue be reviewed after a period of six months with consideration given to the implementation of residents parking bays in Beech Avenue.
4. That it be noted that the estimate cost of £3,000 for implementation would be met from the 2014/15 Minor Parking Schemes budget.

36 TPC351 SUNNYSIDE GARDENS - PROPOSED CHANGE OF DISC PARKING BAY TO TIME LIMITED PARKING BAY

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

- To recommend to the Cabinet Member for Environment that the measures, as set out in the report and shown on the drawing at Appendix A, be implemented:

- A. The proposals to change the existing Disc Parking restrictions outside the doctor's surgery in Sunnyside Gardens to a Limited free parking bay, operational 8.00am – 6.30pm Monday – Friday inclusive, with a maximum stay period of 2 hours, with no return to the parking place within 1 hour, be implemented as advertised
- B. The effect of the scheme be monitored
- C. That the estimated cost of this scheme was £750 and would be funded from the 2014/15 Minor Parking Schemes budget.

37 HIGHWAYS SCHEMES APPLICATION - WORKS PROGRAMME

The Committee considered a report with all the new highway scheme 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 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 request:

Item Ref	Location	Description	Decision
SECTION B - Highway scheme proposals without funding available			
H1	A124/ Hacton Lane/ Wingletye Lane junction	Provision of "green man" crossing stage on all 4 arms of the junction.	MOVED TO SECTION C
H2	Garry Way/ Glenton Way and area	20mph speed limit to deal with speeding drivers who are avoiding Chase Cross traffic signals and using estate as a cut through to A12 Eastern Avenue	REJECTED
H3	Havering Road/ Mashiters Hill/ Pettits Lane North junction	Provide pedestrian refuges on Havering Road arms, potentially improve existing refuges on other two arms	MOVED TO SECTION C
H4	Ockendon Road, near Sunnings Lane	Pedestrian refuge	MOVED TO SECTION C
H5	Wennington Road	Zebra crossing, west of Ellis Avenue to assist with pedestrian access to New Beginnings Nursery.	REJECTED

H6	Cambourne Avenue, Harold Hill	Request for 20mph speed limit or other restriction to deal with stop lorries, large vans etc using street to access Faringdon Avenue rather than Tangent Link	REJECTED
H7	Dagnam Park Drive, near Brookside School	In response to serious concerns for pupils safety, crossing the road to attend Brookside Infant & Junior School, request to reduce speed limit from 30mph to 20mph	MOVED TO SECTION C
SECTION C -			

38 TRAFFIC AND PARKING SCHEMES REQUEST

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 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 request:

London Borough of Havering Traffic & Parking Control - StreetCare Minor Traffic & Parking Schemes Applications Schedule			
Item Ref	Location	Description	Decision
SECTION A - Minor Traffic and Parking Scheme Requests			
TPC503	Bryant Avenue and Local Area	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC504	Bates Road	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3

TPC505	Avon Road	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC506	Rise Park Parade/Pettit's Boulevard	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC507	Crow Lane	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC508	Whitchchurch Road	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC509	Victoria Road	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC510	Petersfield Avenue opposite Hucknall Close	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC511	Farnes Drive	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC512	Carter Drive Mawneys & Havering Park	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC513	Hampden Road	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
TPC514	Park Lane	Request to review parking for possible Cashless(Pay By Phone) or Pay & Display parking	AGREED 7-3
SECTION B - Minor Traffic and Parking Scheme Requests on hold for future discussion or funding issues			

Chairman