

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Council Chamber - Town Hall
8 November 2016 (7.30 - 8.45 pm)**

Present:

COUNCILLORS

Conservative Group	Frederick Thompson (Vice-Chair), Joshua Chapman, Dilip Patel and +Robby Misir
Residents' Group	Barry Mugglestone and John Mylod
East Havering Residents' Group	Darren Wise (Chairman) and Brian Eagling
UKIP	John Glanville
Independent Residents Group	David Durant
Labour Group	Denis O'Flynn

Apologies were received for the absence of Councillor John Crowder.

+Substitute Member: Councillor Robby Misir (for John Crowder).

Councillors Ron Ower, Linda Hawthorn and Ray Best were present for parts of the meeting.

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

There were 30 members of the public and 1 member of the press present for the meeting.

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

50 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 4 October 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

51 UPMINSTER PARKING REVIEW - RESULTS OF INFORMAL CONSULTATION

The report before the Committee detailed responses to an informal consultation undertaken in the Upminster Ward area for the Upminster Controlled Parking Zone and its periphery.

The report outlined that a consultation of Upminster Ward was undertaken in December 2016 and the Committee at its meeting in March 2016 agreed to a further consultation in Upminster Ward on parking restrictions within the area indicated in Appendix 1 of the report.

The consultation was split in to two, the area north of St Mary's Lane was consulted on a full Controlled Parking Zone. The rest of the area of consultation south of St Mary's Lane to Park Drive Road and Gaynes Park Road was consulted on Permit Parking areas as outlined in Appendix 2 of the report.

Residents of Little Gaynes Lane to Parkland Avenue and from Park Drive to Ockendon Rd had been sent information that their road would be assessed for junction protection if needed.

All of the responses to the consultation were outlined in the table appended to the report in Appendix 3 of the report.

The report informed Members that the principles of the proposal were to design a resident parking scheme in the Upminster Ward, with operational restrictions Monday to Saturday 8.30am to 6.30 pm, which would limit non-resident parking and increase the parking provision for residents, businesses and their visitors.

The report also indicated that the design of 'At any time' waiting restrictions on all junctions, bends and multi-vehicle accesses was to facilitate unhindered access and improve safety for all road users.

The report mentioned that the proposed consultation areas had been designed in conjunction with the Ward Councillors.

In accordance with the public speaking arrangements the Committee was addressed by a business owner of premises in Gaynes Park Road. The speaker sought clarification on the proposed parking arrangement for the customers of the shops in Gaynes Park Road who had been using the parking bays near the shopping parade. The speaker raised concerns over the proposed parking restrictions and their impact on trade to the local businesses. In response the Committee was informed that officers would be approaching the local businesses individually to collate their view on the parking bays opposite the parade.

With its agreement Councillor Ron Ower addressed the Committee.

Councillor Ower commented that Ward Councillors had been monitoring the progress of the scheme over the past 18 months and were in support of the recommendations.

Councillor Ower also requested that the northern sides of both turning circles in Stewart Avenue be restricted with double yellow lines and that a Public Space Protection Orders area around Branfil School, in Cedar Avenue, be given a higher priority.

During a brief debate a Member of the Committee concluded that as Ward Councillors supported the proposals they should be progressed.

A Member commented that CPZ's over a wide area seldom receive public support and suggested that the proposals should be scaled back to cover a smaller consultation area..

The Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety that:

- The area outlined in appendix 1 of the report be formally consulted for the creation of a controlled parking zone;
- Oak Avenue and Maple Avenue, Avenue, Acacia Drive, Sycamore Avenue and South View Drive be formally consulted on waiting restrictions with the operational hours of 8.00am to 9.30am Monday to Friday.
- Stewarts Drive to be consulted on double yellow lines on the south side and that junction protection be consulted in Coniston Avenue, Parkland Drive and Tadlow Close.

Members noted that the estimated cost for the proposals was £20,000 which would be met from the Capital Parking Strategy Investment allocation.

52 **TPC745 - GIDEA PARK REVIEW - PROPOSED CHANGE OF TIME OF PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

The report before the Committee detailed responses to the advertised proposals to introduce a change of times of operation in part of the RO1 parking zone, along with junction protection to alleviate congestion issues.

The report detailed that following previous requests from concerned residents and a submission of a petition by 37 petitioners via Ward Councillors, it was agreed to undertake a review of the RO1 zone, with particular attention to the congestion and safety surrounding Carlton Road and its junctions with Glenwood Drive, Lodge Avenue and Stanley Road, and also reducing the perceived non-resident parking within the area.

In officers' view, due to the proximity of Gidea Park Station and Romford Station there was a high risk of perceived non-resident parking. It was noted that if implemented, the area would be monitored and reviewed after six

months to see if there are any detrimental effects to traffic flow or residential parking within the area.

In accordance with the public speaking arrangements the Committee was addressed by two residents who were both in support of the proposal.

The first resident stated that she had lived in the area for about 20 years and that local residents were in despair as a result of commuter parking. The resident stated that current restrictions were not effective and raised concerns over obstructive parking, damage to vehicles and anti-social behaviour.. The resident suggested that the restrictions should be operational all day Monday to Saturday.

A second resident addressed the Committee and stated that the current restrictions were not effective, as there was all day parking in the area and commuters left rubbish on the street. The resident was of the opinion that the restriction times need to be extended and that junctions should be protected to limit inconsiderate parking.

During a brief debate a Member was of the view that enforcement of the current restrictions would be a more effective way to resolve the issues outlined by local residents.

A number of Members spoke in support of the proposal.

Officers updated Members on an amendment to the recommendation which would now be as follows:

- the Gidea Park Review area labelled Part 3 on the plan in Appendix A of the report be formally consulted on for a change to the operational times of parking restrictions to 8:30am to 6:30pm Monday to Saturday;
- the Gidea Park Review area labelled Part 2 on the plan in Appendix A be informally consulted to establish any parking issues in the area;
- that following the results of the informal consultations of the Gidea Park Review area shown labelled Part 1 in the report titled Appendix A , proposals be progressed for the:
 - i. introduction of junction protection at the junctions of Glenwood Drive and Carlton Road, Lodge Avenue and Carlton Road, and Stanley Road and Carlton Road, to increase safety and reduce congestion on Carlton Road;
 - ii. changes to the times of operation in Glenwood Drive (partial), Lodge Avenue (partial) and Carlton Road (partial), to match the existing times of operation in the

western part of the RO1 zone (The plan of affected area is appended in **Appendix D**).

- The schemes' section should notify the residents of the outcome of the consultation.
- This scheme was progressed to a Statutory Consultation.
- The effects of any agreed proposals be monitored once implemented for a period of six months.

The Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety that:

- the Gidea Park Review area labelled Part 3 on the plan in Appendix A of the report be formally consulted on for a change to the operational times of parking restrictions to 8:30am to 6:30pm Monday to Saturday;
- the Gidea Park Review area labelled Part 2 on the plan in Appendix A be informally consulted to establish any parking issues in the area;
- that following the results of the informal consultations of the Gidea Park Review area shown labelled Part 1 in the report titled Appendix A , proposals be progressed for the:
 - iii. introduction of junction protection at the junctions of Glenwood Drive and Carlton Road, Lodge Avenue and Carlton Road, and Stanley Road and Carlton Road, to increase safety and reduce congestion on Carlton Road;
 - iv. changes to the times of operation in Glenwood Drive (partial), Lodge Avenue (partial) and Carlton Road (partial), to match the existing times of operation in the western part of the RO1 zone (The plan of affected area is appended in **Appendix D**).
- The schemes' section should notify the residents of the outcome of the consultation.
- This scheme was progressed to a Statutory Consultation.
- The effects of any agreed proposals be monitored once implemented for a period of six months.

Members noted that the estimated cost of the scheme was £5,000 and would be funded from the Capital Parking Strategy Investment Allocation 2016/2017.

53 **JULIETTE MEWS - COMMENTS TO ADVERTISED PROPOSALS**

Following clarification to a Member that the proposal related to a small close with 20 houses which was already surrounded by a control parking zone the Committee considered the report and without debate **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Cabinet Member for Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety that the proposed extension to the RO3 controlled parking zone into Juliette Mews be implemented as advertised.

Members noted that the estimated cost for the proposals in Juliette Mews RM1 was £3000 and would be met from the 2016/17 Minor Parking Schemes budget.

54 **TPC744 - LOWSHOE LANE CONTROLLED PARKING - FORMAL CONSULTATION**

With its agreement Councillor Ray Best addressed the Committee and outlined that he understood from discussion with local residents that not all residents were in favour of the proposed restrictions. The view was that there was only a parking problem at the Collier Row Lane end of Lowshoe Lane. It was noted that there was an issue with traffic using Lowshoe Lane as a cut through.

During a brief debate a Member stated that there were only a small number of residents that wanted the restrictions as proposed.

A Member stated that there were problems caused by the Mazda Car Dealership which affected residents of the north-eastern corner of the review area and the first 8 properties in Hulse Avenue who were all in favour of the restrictions.

It was proposed to design and consult on a detailed scheme for Melville Road, Birds Farm Avenue, Ash Close, Lowshoe Lane(between Hood Walk and Collier Row Lane) Moorland Close and an area in Hulse Avenue to cover property Nos. 2 to 16.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Cabinet Member for Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety that:

- an area to include Melville Road, Birds Farm Avenue, Ash Close, Lowshoe Lane (between Hood Walk and Collier Row Lane) Moorland Close and an area in Hulse Avenue to cover property Nos.

2 to 16 be formally consulted for the introduction of a residents parking scheme and the introduction of pay and display parking in suitable locations.

- That following the formal consultation a further report detailing the representations received would be reported back to the Committee to agree a further course of action.
- Members noted that the estimated cost of the scheme was £7000 which would be funded from the 2016/17 Capital budget for Minor Traffic and Parking

55 TPC621 - APPLETON WAY AREA REVIEW - FORMAL CONSULTATION

Following a comment from a Member that the levels of use of the Dorrington Gardens car park were low and a request that a review of the use of the car park should be undertaken; and following a request by another Member that the access arrangements into the car park were tight and should be reviewed officers confirmed that the matters would be raised with senior management outside the committee.

The Committee considered the report and without debate **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety that the area identified on the drawing entitled Appleton Way Area Proposed CPZ be formally consulted for introduction of a residents' parking scheme and the introduction of pay and display parking in suitable locations.

Following the formal consultation a further report detailing the representations received would be reported back to the Committee to agree a further course of action.

Members noted that the estimated cost of the scheme was £6000 which would be funded from the 2016/17 Capital budget for Minor Traffic and Parking.

56 TPC868 - PARK LANE/CAVENDISH AVENUE - AT ANY TIME WAITING RESTRICTIONS

The Committee considered the report and without debate **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety that the proposed 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions in Park Lane / Cavendish Avenue be implemented as advertised.

Members noted that the estimated cost of the scheme as set out in the report was £1500, which would be met from the 2016/17 Minor Parking Schemes Budget.

57 **URGENT BUSINESS**

The Committee noted that the Chairman had received a request for further traffic calming measures in the Hildene School area. It was noted that the letter had been passed to officers who would respond accordingly.

A Member raised concerns that the yellow lines in the Hawthorne Avenue area had been removed. Officers confirmed that they would look into the matter and report back to the Member.

Chairman