

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Monday, 12th March, 2012

Present: Borough Council Members of the Board
Cllr N J Heslop (Chairman), Cllr Ms V M C Branson, Cllr Mrs F A Kemp,
Cllr Mrs A S Oakley, Cllr A K Sullivan and Cllr M S Worrall.

County Council Members of the Board
Mr P Homewood (Vice-Chairman), Mrs V Dagger, Mrs T Dean, Miss
A Hohler and Mr C Smith.

Borough Councillors Mrs Anderson, Balfour, Bolt, Cure, Edmondston-Low, Mrs Luck, Luker, Miss Moloney, Mrs Murray, Rhodes and Rogers were also present pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 15.21.

Mr P Scott of Platt Parish Council and Mr H Rayner of Wrotham Parish Council were also present.

Apologies for absence were received from Borough Councillor Lancaster and County Councillor Mrs Hohler.

PART 1 - PUBLIC

**JTB
12/001**

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs Luck declared a personal interest in the item on the Parking Action Plan on the grounds of owning a business in West Malling.

Councillor Luker declared a personal interest in the item on the Parking Action Plan on the grounds of a business relationship with a number of properties on the Tower Industrial Estate.

Councillor Worrall declared a personal interest in the item on Borough Transportation matters in respect of Pembury Hospital on the grounds of being a non-executive director of the Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust.

**JTB
12/002**

MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Joint Transportation Board held on 28 November 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO THE CABINET

**JTB
12/003**

WEST MALLING STATION FORECOURT REMODELLING SCHEME

Decision Notice D120037MEM

The joint report of the Director of Highways and Transportation and the Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure provided an update on progress with the station forecourt remodelling project. Mr T Darcy, Project Manager for Jacobs, gave a detailed presentation on the preferred design option which would greatly enhance pedestrian safety. Board members raised various points of detailed design and layout which would be examined and, where practicable, incorporated by Jacobs in liaison with the officers of the Borough and County Councils and relevant transport operators.

RESOLVED: That the following be commended to the Borough Council Cabinet: endorsement be given to the preferred design option.

**JTB
12/004**

PARKING ACTION PLAN

Decision Notice D120038MEM

The report of the Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure set out progress with the implementation of Phase 6a of the Parking Action Plan and highlighted objections received during the statutory consultations to the formal advertising of the on-street traffic regulation order. A supplementary report regarding the investigation of the need to provide waiting restrictions at the main entrance to the Tower Industrial Estate in London Road, Wrotham, was circulated prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: That the following be commended to the Borough Council Cabinet:

- (1) the 'next steps', as set out in Section 1.3 to the report, be endorsed;
- (2) the recommended actions for Phase 6a of the Parking Action Plan, set out at Annexes 1 and 5 to the report, be noted and the restrictions be installed;
- (3) the recommended actions for Phase 6a of the Parking Action Plan, set out at Annexes 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 to the report, be endorsed and where objections to a proposal have been made, the objectors be advised of the decision regarding endorsement (or otherwise) of that proposal; and
- (4) the actions set out in the supplementary report be endorsed.

**JTB
12/005**

**MEDWAY VALLEY SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT STRATEGY
UPDATE**

Decision Notice D120039MEM

The joint report of the Director of Highways and Transportation and the Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure provided an update on progress with the draft transport strategy, a copy of which had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

RESOLVED: That the following be commended to the Borough Council Cabinet: the approach set out in the updated strategy be endorsed.

MATTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION

**JTB
12/006**

A21 TONBRIDGE-PEMBURY DUALLING

The joint report of the Director of Highways and Transportation and the Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure provided an update on efforts being made to secure Government approval to progress the A21 Tonbridge-Pembury scheme.

**JTB
12/007**

A20 SEVEN MILE LANE JUNCTION

The report of the Director of Highways and Transportation outlined the County Council's proposals to improve the A20 London Road junction with the B2016 Seven Mile Lane, Wrotham Heath following a series of personal injury crashes. Members asked for various matters to be examined including the highway flooding under the railway bridge, the difficulties of exiting from Ford Lane and whether alternative approaches to the proposed signalled junction could be considered.

**JTB
12/008**

TONBRIDGE TOWN CENTRE - TRANSPORT STRATEGY

The joint report of the Director of Highways and Transportation and the Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure outlined progress with the review and update of the Transport Strategy for Tonbridge town centre.

**JTB
12/009**

BOROUGH TRANSPORTATION MATTERS

The report of the Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure provided an update on a number of transportation matters on which the Borough Council had recently been focusing.

**JTB
12/010**

TRAFFIC SCHEMES PROGRESS REPORT

The report of the Director of Highways and Transportation provided a summary of the current position on a number of traffic and transportation initiatives in the Borough. Updates were given on a number of the County Member funded schemes.

**JTB
12/011**

HIGHWAY WORKS PROGRAMME 2012/13

The report of the Director of Highways and Transportation set out details of schemes programmed for construction by the County Council in 2012/13.

**JTB
12/012**

PETITIONS SUBMITTED TO KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

The report of the Director of Highways and Transportation update the position on petitions being considered by the County Council.

**JTB
12/013**

KENT FREIGHT ACTION PLAN

The report of the Director of Highways and Transportation provided an update on progress made with the Kent Freight Action Plan and outlined the process to be undertaken prior to formal adoption of the plan.

**JTB
12/014**

HIGHWAY SOFT ESTATE MANAGEMENT

The Director of Highways and Transportation outlined proposals for the planned levels of service for weed control of highway verges during 2012/13. He advised that, following consultation with the Borough Council's Waste Services Manager, consideration would be given to undertaking a second spray of identified hot spots under a local agreement.

**JTB
12/015**

A COMMON SENSE PLAN FOR SAFE AND SENSIBLE STREET LIGHTING

The report of the Director of Highways and Transportation outlined the County Council's proposals for reducing energy costs of street lighting. The Board noted that County and Borough Councillors and the town and parish councils would be advised of the process and timescale involved. The Chairman indicated that the Borough Council was willing to provide a forum for debate with the town and parish councils and local stakeholders.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PRIVATE

**JTB
12/016**

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no matters considered in private.

The meeting ended at 2138 hours

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RECORD OF DECISION

**Decision Taken By: CABINET MEMBER FOR
Planning and Transportation**

Decision No: D120037MEM

Date: 12th March 2012

Decision(s) and Reason(s)

West Malling Station Forecourt Remodelling Scheme

(Report of Director of Highways and Transportation and Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure)

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Following consideration by the Joint Transportation Board, the Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation resolved that:
Endorsement be given to the preferred design option.

Reasons: As set out in the report submitted to the Joint Transportation Board of 12 March 2012.

Signed Cabinet Member for N Heslop
Planning and
Transportation:

Signed Leader: M Worrall

Signed Chief Executive: D Hughes

Date of publication: 16 March 2012

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RECORD OF DECISION

**Decision Taken By: CABINET MEMBER FOR
Planning and Transportation**

Decision No: D120038MEM

Date: 12th March 2012

Decision(s) and Reason(s)

Parking Action Plan

**(Report of Director of Planning, Transport and Leisure)
(Supplementary Report of Director of Planning, Transport and
Leisure)
(Annex)**

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Decision No: D120039MEM

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Decision(s) and Reason(s)

Medway Valley Sustainable Transport Strategy Update

**(Report of Director of Highways and Transportation and Director of
Planning, Transport and Leisure)
(Annex 1)**

**The report provided an update on progress with the draft transport
strategy, a copy of which had been circulated in advance of the
meeting.**

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