

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Monday, 30th March, 2015

Present: Mr C Smith (Chairman), Cllr Mrs S Murray (Vice-Chairman),
Cllr D A S Davis, Cllr N J Heslop, Cllr Mrs F A Kemp,
Cllr Mrs A S Oakley, Cllr A K Sullivan, Mr M Balfour, Mrs V Dagger,
Mrs T Dean and Mr R Long

Borough Councillors Mrs J A Anderson, J A L Balcombe,
O C Baldock, P F Bolt, M A Coffin, D J Cure, B J Luker, M R Rhodes,
Miss S O Shrubsole and Mrs C J Woodger were also present
pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 15.21.

Mr H Rayner was present on behalf of the Kent Association of Local
Councils. Mrs P Darby of Platt Parish Council was also present.

Apologies for absence were received from Borough Councillor
R D Lancaster, Mrs S Hohler and Mr P Homewood

PART 1 - PUBLIC

JTB 15/1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made in accordance with the
Code of Conduct.

JTB 15/2 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Joint
Transportation Board held on 1 December 2014 be approved as a
correct record and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS FOR DECISION

JTB 15/3 TONBRIDGE HIGH STREET - PHASE 1

The joint report of the Head of Transportation (KCC) and the Director of
Planning, Housing and Environmental Health provided an update on
progress with the proposed highway development of Tonbridge High
Street, including the 20mph Traffic Regulation Order. The Board
commended the county officers for the briefing provided to local County
and Borough Councillors and the level of public engagement undertaken
through exhibitions, advertisement in the local press, publication on both
TMBC and KCC websites, personal visits to approximately 100
businesses in the High Street affected by the proposed scheme as well
as the provision of business surgeries.

In addition, it was noted that comments made at a meeting with representatives of the Tonbridge Town Team or received from members of the public at the exhibition at Tonbridge Castle or the library or via the websites, had provided information on a wide range of issues. Details of the County Council's response to these comments were set out in Table 1 of the report. In response to concerns expressed by Members about the lack of provision of on-street disabled parking bays within the High Street, the county officers offered to investigate whether areas provided for loading and unloading of goods could be time restricted so that these could also be used, at certain times, by blue badge holders. The report identified a number of additional areas for improvement for Tonbridge town centre which would be explored in Phase 2 of the Scheme.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the results of the public engagement be noted;
- (2) the High Street scheme and the 20mph speed limit proposals be progressed to detailed design and implementation and construction programmed to commence in late July 2015; and
- (3) the Traffic Regulation Order to reduce the speed limit in the High Street area to 20mph be made as advertised.

MATTERS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOROUGH CABINET

JTB 15/4 EAST MALLING PARKING REVIEW

Decision Notice D150035MEM

The report of the Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental Health set out details of the results of the formal consultation on changes to parking arrangements within East Malling undertaken between 21 November and 19 December 2014. An assessment of the responses received together with recommendations for each location was set out in Annex 2 to the report.

RECOMMENDED: that the recommendations for each location, as set out in Annex 2 to the report, be agreed.

JTB 15/5 PARKING ACTION PLAN

Decision Notice D150036MEM

The report of the Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental Health provided an update on the phased approach to on-street parking management with a focus on the work in progress.

RECOMMENDED: That the way forward, as set out in the report, be agreed.

MATTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION**JTB 15/6 COMBINED MEMBERS HIGHWAY FUND AND MEMBERS GRANT REPORT FOR TONBRIDGE AND MALLING**

The Head of Transportation, Kent Highways, provided details of current County Member Highway Fund Schemes within the Borough.

JTB 15/7 HIGHWAY WORKS PROGRAMME 2014-15

The report of KCC Highways and Transportation provided an update on footway and carriageway improvement, street lighting, traffic systems and bridge works schemes approved for construction in 2014/15.

JTB 15/8 HIGHWAY DRAINAGE

The report of the Head of Programmed Works provided an update on the approach to maintaining and improving the highway drainage system across the County which had been considered by the County Council's Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 5 December 2014.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PRIVATE**JTB 15/9 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

There were no items considered in private.

The meeting ended at 8.55 pm