

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Monday, 2nd December, 2013

Present: Borough Council Members of the Board
Cllr Mrs S M Murray (Chairman), Cllr D A S Davis, Cllr N J Heslop,
Cllr Mrs F A Kemp, Cllr R D Lancaster and Cllr A K Sullivan.

County Council Members of the Board
Mr C Smith (Vice-Chairman), Mr M Balfour, Mrs V Dagger, Mrs S Hohler
and Mr R Long.

Borough Councillors Mrs Anderson, Atkins, Balcombe, Baldock, Bolt,
Ms Branson, Cure, Mrs Luck, Luker and Miss Moloney were also present
pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 15.21.

Apologies for absence were received from Borough Councillor
Mrs Oakley and County Councillor Homewood.

PART 1 - PUBLIC

**JTB
13/036 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

**JTB
13/037 MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Joint
Transportation Board held on 23 September 2013 be approved as a
correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**JTB
13/038 PARKING ACTION PLAN**

Decision Notice D130143MEM

The report of the Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental
Health gave an update on the phased approach undertaken to
on-street parking management with a focus on the current initiatives,
Phase 7 and the review of the Snodland Local Parking Plan.

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

(1) the 'Recommendation' stated for each location within Annex 1 and
Annex 3 be endorsed; and

(2) the endorsed proposals proceed to formal consultation, with any arising objections reported to the next meeting of the Board for consideration.

**JTB
13/039**

TONBRIDGE TOWN CENTRE TRANSPORT STRATEGY - UPDATE

Decision Notice D130144MEM

The joint report of the Director of Highways and Transportation and the Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental Health provided an update on the revised strategy following the informal briefing session for Members and identified appropriate ways in which the strategy would be taken forward.

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

(1) the work to date and the next steps, as set out in the report, be endorsed; and

(2) the County and Borough Council officers work together to establish a timetable for the resolution of the traffic light issue in respect of the 'Star and Garter' junction.

**JTB
13/040**

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING CYCLING STRATEGY

Decision Notice D130145MEM

Consideration was given to the Tonbridge and Malling Cycling Strategy which had been prepared by officers from Kent County Council, working in partnership with colleagues from Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council, the sustainable transport charity, Sustrans, and local cyclists. The report summarised the responses received to the public consultation held between May and June 2013.

A number of Members expressed concern about the phraseology used within the strategy, set out at Annex 1 to the report, which gave an impression that the strategy would be a policy statement rather than provide guidance to the decision making process. Kent County Council offered to clarify the text of the document to ensure that it could be adopted as a material consideration for the purposes of development control.

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

The revised Tonbridge and Malling Cycling Strategy be submitted to the next meeting of the Borough Council's Planning and Transportation Advisory Board for consideration of its incorporation into the Local Plan Process.

**JTB
13/041**

**B245 LONDON ROAD JUNCTION WITH DRY HILL PARK ROAD -
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS**

The report of the Head of Transportation, Kent Highways and Transportation, summarised the consultant's findings regarding the options for improving the pedestrian crossing facilities at the Dry Hill Park Road junction with the B245 London Road, Tonbridge. The Board was disappointed that the report recommended that it was not possible to install additional pedestrian crossing facilities and

RESOLVED: That Kent County Council be invited to look again at a pedestrian crossing and submit a further report to the next meeting of the Joint Transportation Board.

MATTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION

**JTB
13/042**

TRAFFIC SCHEMES

The report of the Head of Transportation, Kent Highways and Transportation, provided a summary of the current position on a number of traffic and transportation initiatives in the Borough and identified those funded from each County Member Highway Fund.

**JTB
13/043**

HIGHWAY WORKS PROGRAMME 2013/14

The report of KCC Highways and Transportation provided an update on schemes programmed for construction by the County Council in 2013/14.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PRIVATE

**JTB
13/044**

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

No matters were considered in private.

The meeting ended at 2129 hours