

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

MINUTES

Monday, 21st November, 2022

Present: County Cllr H Rayner (Chair), Cllr P J Montague (Vice-Chair), Cllr R P Betts, County Cllr Mrs S Hohler, County Cllr M Hood, County Cllr S Hudson and County Cllr P Stepto.

Councillor R Roud was present in the Council Chamber pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 15.21.

Councillors Mrs J A Anderson, D Harman and M R Rhodes participated via MS Teams and joined the discussion when invited to do so by the Chairman in accordance to Council Procedure Rule No 15.21.

Apologies for absence were received from Borough Councillors R I B Cannon, D A S Davis and M Taylor and from County Councillor Mrs T Dean.

PART 1 - PUBLIC

JTB 22/21 NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

Notification of substitute members were recorded as set out below:

Cllr V Branson substituting for Cllr R Cannon
Cllr M Boughton substituting for Cllr D Davis
Cllr T Shaw substituting for Cllr M Taylor

In accordance with Council Procedure Rules 17.5 to 17.9 these Councillors had the same rights as the ordinary member of the committee for whom they were substituting.

JTB 22/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

County Councillor Stepto declared an interest in item 8 in that if two of the applications were not approved, he would be advantaged.

JTB 22/23 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Joint Transportation Board held on 6 June 2022 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS FOR THE BOROUGH COUNCIL**JTB 22/24 PARKING UPDATE**

(Decision Notice D220105MEM)

The report of the Director of Street Scene, Leisure and Technical Services covered the content of Phase 14 of the Action Plan and provided an update on the Borough's parking reviews.

A list of location requests recommended for consideration in Phase 14 of the Parking Action was attached at Annex 1 to the report. A further list was attached at Annex 2 and would be held on a 'holding list' for consideration in future phases of the Plan. It was recommended that the locations and proposals in Annex 1 be taken forward for investigation and then to informal consultation; and that the response to the information consultation be reported back to a future meeting of the Board.

RECOMMENDED: That

- (1) the proposals for each location listed in Phase 14 of the Parking Action Plan, as set out at Annex 1 to the report, be taken forward for investigation and informal consultation; and
- (2) the list of requests, as set out at Annex 2 to the report, be held for future consideration in future phases of the Parking Action Plan.

JTB 22/25 PARKING ACTION PLAN - PHASE 13

(Decision Notice D220106MEM)

The report of the Director of Street Scene, Leisure and Technical Services covered the formal consultation stage of the parking restriction proposals contained in Phase 13 of the Parking Action Plan and sought approval to implement the changes. A list of all the locations, the issues raised and a recommendation for each was set out in Annex 1.

The report also considered the introduction of a permit parking zone and associated parking restrictions to the Shakespeare Road area of Tonbridge that was held over from Phase 12 of the Parking Action Plan in September 2021.

The views of local members were sought on a number of recommendations and where appropriate and/or practical these would be reflected in the final proposals.

RECOMMENDED: That

- (1) the recommendations for each location for Phase 13 of the Parking Action Plan, as set out at Annex 1 to the report, be adopted and the proposals be implemented subject to:
 - (i) the amendment of scheme numbered Ph13-19 (Tonbridge, Chiltern Way/Cheviot Close) to reduce the proposal to just double yellow lines on the inside of the Chiltern Way bend and to implement on that basis;
 - (ii) the progression of schemes numbered Ph13-06 (Ditton, Woodlands Road), Ph13-12 (East Malling, Upper Mill/Mill Street), Ph13-24 (Tonbridge, Vale Rise & Woodgate Way) and Ph13-31 (Tonbridge, The Haydens); and
 - (iii) the deferral of consideration of scheme numbered Ph13-27 (Walderslade, 44-46 Woodbury Road) to the same stage of the next Phase of the Parking Action Plan; and
- (2) the previously agreed restrictions for the Shakespeare Road, Tonbridge area (that formed part of the Phase 12 Action Plan), be implemented.

JTB 22/26 PARKING ACTION PLAN - ACCESS GROUP 7

(Decision Number D220107MEM)

The report of the Director of Street Scene, Leisure and Technical Services presented the outcome of the formal consultation on proposals contained in Access Group 7, a subset of the Parking Action Plan, where a streamlined process had been applied to the consideration and promotion of minor changes to the Traffic Regulation Order,

RECOMMENDED: That the recommendations for each location in Access Group 7, as set out at Annex 1 to the report, be adopted and, where appropriate, the proposals be implemented.

MATTERS FOR THE COUNTY COUNCIL**JTB 22/27 PROPOSED SINGLE YELLOW LINE WAITING RESTRICTIONS - OLDBURY LANE**

The report of the Head of Transportation, Kent County Council provided details of proposed double yellow line waiting restrictions on Oldbury Lane and Old Lane Ightham. The Highways Improvements Team were assisting with the writing and consultation of the Traffic Regulation order (TRO) for the scheme which was being funded and supported by the County Member, Harry Rayner. The report sought approval to proceed

to make the Traffic Regulation Order following public consultation already completed.

RECOMMENDED: That the Traffic Regulation Order for double yellow lines be implemented on Old Lane Only, as shown in the plan at Appendix D to the report.

MATTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION

JTB 22/28 HIGHWAYS FORWARD WORKS PROGRAMME 2022/23

The report of the Kent County Highways, Transportation and Waste summarised schemes programmed for delivery in 2022/23 and provided an update on Road, Footway and Cycleway Renewal and Preservation Schemes (Appendix A), Drainage Repairs and Improvements (Appendix B), Street Lighting (Appendix C), Transportation and Safety Schemes (Appendix D), Developer Funding Works (Appendix E), Bridge Works (Appendix F), Traffic Systems (Appendix G) and the Combined Members Grant (Appendix H). Representatives from Kent County Council Highways responded to questions relating to the footpath improvements in Borough Green, the maintenance works on Quarry Hill Road, and the signage when exiting Hadlow and Hall Road/Mills Road roundabout.

Members sought an update on the flooding issue between River Way and Marsh Way, Larkfield; the installation of speed cushions in Upper Haysden, the defects relating to the Watlington scheme and the land ownership issues associated with the junction improvements at London Road/New Road, East Malling. A request was made that consideration be given to raising the footway between West Bank Lodge and number 104 Sevenoaks Road and Borough Green Road on safety grounds.

JTB 22/29 URGENT ITEMS

In accordance with Rule 2.3 of the Joint Transportation Board agreement, the Chairman agreed to accept a matter in advance of the meeting.

County Councillor Hood highlighted the sustained campaign of vandalism to a pedestrian crossing at Shipbourne Road. In response, Officers explained that consideration had been given to preventative measures and the downgrading of the crossing to one which did not involve push buttons.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PRIVATE

JTB 22/30 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items considered in private.

The meeting ended at 9.18 pm