County Council Meeting – 14 December 2010

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Statement from Mike Bennison – Member for Hinchley Wood, Claygate and Oxshott

Would the Council join me in thanking the emergency services and other organisations involved in the response to the incident at Oxshott Railway Station on Friday 5 November?

It is both with regret and joy that I address Council. With regret that some members of the public were injured, but joy at the way that all involved acted in such a professional manner.

I will list those that were known to be involved and apologise for anybody I miss out, but having spent several hours at the Cobham rest centre with Cllr Janet Fuller, I can testify that this council should be proud of the team that has been developed over a number of years. I can liken it to a Meccano set, many, many pieces all serving different aspects of an emergency, but when put together they form a strong and professional team.

Those involved were:-

- Surrey Fire & Rescue Service
- Surrey Police
- South East Coast Ambulance Service
- British Transport Police
- Network Rail
- South West Trains
- Elmbridge Borough Council, including the staff at Cobham Day Centre, Emergency Planning, Community Transport and Building Control Officers
- Waitrose
- The Red Cross

and the following Surrey County Council services:-

- Emergency Management Team
- Adult Social Care
- Highways
- Transport for Surrey