Minutes of the meeting of Surrey County Council's Local Committee in Epsom and Ewell Held at 19.15 on Monday 25 June 2012 at Ewell Court House, Lakehurst Road, Ewell

Members Present – Surrey County Council

David Wood[Epsom & Ewell North East][Chairman]Chris Frost[Epsom & Ewell South East][Vice Chairman]Jan Mason[Epsom & Ewell West][Epsom & Ewell South West]Colin Taylor[Epsom & Ewell South West]

Members Present – Epsom & Ewell Borough Council

Cllr Michael Arthur	[Ewell]
CIIr Julie Morris	[College]
Cllr Jean Smith	[Ewell Court]

20/12 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE LOCAL COMMITTEE FOR 2012/2013 [ltem1]

The appointment by Council of David Wood as Chairman and Chris Frost as Vice-Chairman of the Local Committee for the current municipal year was noted.

21/12 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH COUNCIL MEMBERS [Item 2]

The Local Committee noted that at the Epsom & Ewell Borough Council's first meeting of this municipal year, 5 Borough Councillors and 5 substitutes were appointed to serve on the Local Committee for the municipal year 2012-2013:

[Stamford]

[Ewell]

[Town]

[College]

Appointed Members [5]

Cllr Paul Ardern-Jones Cllr Michael Arthur Cllr Ian Booker Cllr Julie Morris Cllr Jean Smith

Substitutes [5]

Cllr Pamela Bradley Cllr Neil Dallen Cllr Anna Jones Cllr Humphrey Reynolds Cllr Mike Teasdale [Stoneleigh] [Town] [College] [Ewell] [Stoneleigh]

[Ewell Court]

22/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS [Item 3]

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillor Eber Kington and Borough Councillors Paul Arden Jones and Ian Booker.

23/12 WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTION TIME [Item 4]

No questions were received

24/12 ADJOURNMENT [Item 5]

Several members of the public attended, and one informal question was put to the meeting. An answer was provided to the question at the meeting and officers agreed to consider the matter further and if appropriate bring a report to the September meeting of the Committee.

25/12 PETITIONS [Item 6]

No petitions were received.

26/12 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING [5 March] [Item 7]

Confirmed as a correct record, subject to the following amendment:-

Minute 13/12, in resolution "A24 Epsom By-pass" should read "A24 Ewell By-pass".

27/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST [Item 8]

There were no declarations of interest.

28/12 MEMBERS' QUESTION TIME [Item 9]

2 Questions were received from 2 Members. The questions and responses are set out in Annex A. The following supplementary questions and answers were given at the meeting:

Question 1 – point 4. Colin Taylor requested that if it is not possible to have a box junction at the junction of West Street/Station Approach a keep clear sign could be considered instead.

Question 2 – It was suggested that if a permanent speed camera is not possible, then perhaps a temporary camera could be installed to gather evidence for convictions.

29/12 HIGHWAY SCHEMES 2012/13 REPORT [Item 10]

Noted in the table at paragraph 4.1 Kingston Road (service) had been duplicated.

Members were receptive to the Chairman's suggestion that some of the budget for local issues should be used to employ a gang to do small jobs around the Borough as identified by local members.

It was requested that the resurfacing of the public footpath from West Street, by Cullerne Close to Chessington Road, Ewell should be considered if there was any slippage in the current programme of works.

Resolved: That the following be agreed:

i] the proposed revenue allocations in Table 1;

- ii] the proposed capital Integrated Transport Programme in Table 2;
- iii] the principles of the capital maintenance budget;
- iv] further to (i) and (ii) to delegate authority to the Area Manager in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and locally affected members to amend budgets throughout the year if required to ensure the budget is allocated and spent in a timely manner;
- v] the proposed Community Pride allocation of £5,000 per Member;
- vi] that a cut-off point of end October 2012 is set for any unallocated funds to be reallocated if appropriate elsewhere in the borough.

30/12 VERGE AND FOOTWAYPARKING IN EPSOM AND EWELL BOROUGH [Item 11]

It was noted that it would not be possible for all schemes proposed by members to be taken forward in the next parking review. The schemes would be assessed and a list of the most suitable brought forward for consideration. It was suggested that there should be a press release to alert people that the Local Committee will be taking action to prevent inconsiderate verge parking.

Resolved: That:

- i] County Members be asked to put forward up to 3 locations each where verge and footway parking is a problem;
- ii] these locations be investigated, prioritised and proposals drawn up for consultation on those considered to be appropriate;
- iii] a report be brought back to the Committee outlining the outcomes of the consultation and seeking approval to advertise a Traffic Regulation order.

31/12 ESTABLISHMENT OF HIGHWAY TASK GROUPS REPORTING TO THE LOCAL COMMITTEE [Item 12]

Resolved: that:

- i] the Joint Parking Strategy Task Group should not be continued;
- ii] the Epsom Town Centre Street furniture Task Group should continue for the Council year 2012/13 reporting to the Local Committee;
- the terms of reference, membership and chairmanship for the Epsom Town Centre Street Furniture Task Group as set out in annexe A be confirmed subject to the following amendments: the addition of Geoff Jelly from the Epsom Access Group to the membership the addition of the following to the reporting mechanism in the terms of reference: "When considering the recommendations of the Task Group the Local Committee should take due regard to the accompanying officers report."

32/12 LOCAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS TO LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP, COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP, LEAD FOR SURREY FIRE & RESCUE AND YOUTH TASK GROUP [Item 13]

Noted that Members appointed to outside bodies are required to update the Local Committee on the group/service they are appointed to represent on a six monthly basis or as appropriate.

Resolved: that:

- i] David Wood be the representative on the Local Strategic Partnership for 2012-2013
- ii] Jan Mason be the representative on the community Safety Thematic Partnership Group for 2012-2013
- iii] David Wood be the lead for the Surrey Fire & Rescue Service for 2012-2013
- iv] the Youth Task Group continue to assist and advise the Local Committee in relation to youth issues and the future delivery of youth provision locally for 2012-2013 and that the terms of reference and membership as set out in the Annexe be confirmed.

33/12 APPROVAL OF SMALL GRANTS BIDS [Item 14]

Members asked to be informed when the next round of bidding was opened and requested widespread publicity for the availability of the grants to local organisations.

Resolved: That the recommendations of the Youth Task Group to award funding to the following groups be agreed:

Bid no	Organisation Bidding	Title of Bid	Task Group recommendation to award
1	Epsom & Ewell PHAB	Youth Achievement Awards	Award £500 to cover the costs of the Youth Achievement Awards and £500 to subsidise the cost of the proposed trips for young people from disadvantaged families who might not otherwise be able to participate. Total £1,000
2	Epsom Methodist Scouts and Guides	4-7-11 Gang Show	Award £500 towards the costs of putting on the Gang Show and £500 to subsidise any parental contributions from disadvantaged families. Total £1,000
3	The Girls' Brigade Sutton District	District Training Weekend	Award £900
		Total	£2,900.00

34/12 FLEXIBLE FORWARD PROGRAMME [Item 15]

Noted the forward plan. Members asked whether the rear access to the Ebbisham Centre and the taxi rank in the High Street could be added to the forward plan for September.

35/12 LOCAL COMMITTEE FUNDING [Item 16]

The East Area Community Partnership Team Leader undertook to check whether in paragraph 1.6 it should read "registered political party"

Noted the summary of the Local Committee's 2011/12 expenditure detailed in section 2; the expenditure previously approved by the Community Partnerships Manager and the Community Partnerships Team Leader under delegated powers, as set out in section 4 and any returned funding and/or adjustments, as set out within the report and at Appendix 2.

Resolved: that:

i] the items for funding from the Local committee's 2012/13 Member Allocation funding as set out in section 3 of the report and summarised as follows:

Organisation Ken Cross, Contractor	Project Title Warren Rec., Langley Vale, path repair	Amount £1,380
Epsom Medical Equipment Fund	Paediatric Echo- cardiograph Ultrasound Machine	£5,800
Epsom and Ewell Citizens Advice Bureau	Replacement of Obsolete Computers	£1,200
Epsom and Ewell Citizens Advice Bureau	Replacement of Photocopier	£1,740

ii] that the community safety budget of £3160 that has been delegated to the Local Committee be delegated to the Community Safety Partnership for Epsom and Ewell and that the Community Partnership Manager authorise its expenditure in accordance with the Local Committee's decision, as detailed in section 5.

36/12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING [Item 17]

Monday 24 September 2012, 7.00pm, Bourne Hall, Ewell

Meeting Ended: 8.45pm