

REVIEW OF 2002 - 2003

Mole Valley Local Committee 2 April 2003

KEY ISSUE:

This report demonstrates the nature and volume of the issues undertaken by the Mole Valley Local Committee during 2002/3.

SUMMARY

The Local Committee (Transportation) met on six occasions during the last financial year and had 48 papers presented to them covering a wide range of issues. During those six meetings there were sixteen questions from members of the public.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is asked to note the contents of this report

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 This is the first year of operation of the Local Committee (Transport). During that year it has met on six occasions and as can be seen from the key facts table below carried out a wide range of business:

DATE	Papers on Agenda	Public Questions	Member Questions	Petitions Presented	Petitions Received
10 April 2002	10	0	2	0	3
15 May 2002	2	0	0	0	0
24 July 2002	12	0	1	2	0
23 October 2002	10	1	2	1	1
11 December 2002	4	6#	1	0	0
12 February 2003	10	9#	3	0	0
Total	48	16	9	3	4

Includes oral questions in public question sessions.

- 1.2 **ANNEXE A** attached to this report, lists all the papers presented to the Local Committee and the decisions made.
- 1.3 During 2002/3, 48 committee reports resulted in 70 resolutions and many hundred hours of work. Clearly not every action has been brought to fruition but a large percentage have, or are in progress.

CONCLUSIONS

A large number of transportation issues have been brought to this forum enabling Members and Officers to deliver a comprehensive and 'joined up' service to the community of the District of Mole Valley.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: Report by The Audit Commission :-
"Surrey County Council

ANNEXE A: Checklist of decisions made by Mole Valley Local Committee (Transportation) meetings 2002/03

(nb: This also includes non-routine papers received for information but excludes routine updates on progress, forward programme, minutes of previous meeting etc.)

10 April 2002

1. BARNETT WOOD LANE/WOODFIELD LANE, ASHTEAD

RESOLVED that the officers investigate to identify if alternative measures more in keeping with the intent of the petition were available, and report back to Committee in due course.

2. EAST SURREY RURAL TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP

RESOLVED that the Committee be consulted on preliminary findings by way of a workshop to be held in early autumn 2002.

3. FETCHAM, BOOKHAM AND EFFINGHAM LOCAL AREA SAFETY STUDY – MONITORING FINDINGS

RESOLVED

- i) That Members note the findings of the review undertaken.
- ii) That Members approve the progression of schemes as set out in paragraphs 10 to 17 of the report, subject to the necessary funds being made available.
- iii) That subject to available funding, the Local Transportation Manager, in consultation with the Chairman and Local Members, consider progression of the various additional suggestions put forward by Members at the meeting.

4. CAPITAL BUDGET

RESOLVED

- i) That the schemes put forward in paragraph 8 to the report be funded from the current capital funding allocation, plus up to 100% of the delegated capital funding.
- ii) That when additional funding levels were known in May 2002 a further report be presented to the Committee suggesting further ways of distributing the funds available.
- iii) That delegated powers be given to the Local Transportation Manager in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to assign additional funding from that allocated in May 2002 as necessary prior to the July meeting.

5. REVENUE BUDGET

RESOLVED

- i) That the indicative functional distribution of the 2002/03 Highway Maintenance Revenue Budget as set out in Table 1 of the report be agreed.
- ii) That the discretion for the Local Transportation Manager, in consultation with the Chairman, to vire up to 25% of the indicative allocations for each expenditure head, within the Mole Valley maintenance revenue budget, whilst retaining the County Council's policies and standards, be noted.

6. B2038 PIXHAM LANE, DORKING – EXPERIMENTAL ROAD CLOSURE

RESOLVED that if at any time the scheme be deemed intolerable then delegated powers be given to the Local Transportation Manager, in consultation with the Chairman and Local Members, to take the decision to abandon the scheme.

7. PETITIONS RECEIVED

RESOLVED

- i) That the petitions in respect of Fetcham highway improvements and speed cushions in Ashcombe Road, Dorking, be noted.
- ii) That in respect of the Leatherhead Town Centre petition, a public meeting be held to enable views of all interested parties to be heard.

15 May 2002

1. LEATHERHEAD ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT PHASE 2

RESOLVED

- i) the Phase II enhancement works be completed as previously agreed;
- ii) the wider issues of improving accessibility to the town centre be the subject of a meeting in public in June of representatives of local interest groups.

24 July 2002

1. LEATHERHEAD TOWN CENTRE IMPROVEMENTS

It was resolved that:

- i) the Leatherhead Town Centre Forum should be used as a forum for discussing the recommendations with all interested parties and that officers would provide feedback to appropriate parties to ensure that awareness and engagement is maintained. This group is not a decision-making group so recommendations requiring decision will be forwarded to MVDC Committees or the Local Committee as appropriate,
- ii) Officers of both councils will hold discussions with stakeholders and report back once a way forward has been established along with timescales

2. TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL BUDGET

It was resolved that the additional LTP funding allocation of £95,000 is used as recommended::

- **£25,000 - Implementation of experimental closure of Pixham Lane, Dorking**
- **£35,000 - Design and Implementation of further STAR measures in Dorking Rural Box**
- **£30,000 - Traffic Order related work (i.e. Parking management and speed limits) in Leatherhead and Dorking area**
- **£5,000 - Implementation of part of traffic management scheme, Punchbowl Lane, Dorking**

3. FASTWAY QUALITY BUS SERVICE

It was resolved that the detailed design and construction work on the revised Fastway route infrastructure improvements at Longbridge Roundabout to be undertaken were approved, and the necessary acquisition of land and changes in traffic regulation authorised.

4. STRATEGIC TRAFFIC ACTION IN RURAL AREAS (STAR) PROJECT IN HOOKWOOD

It was resolved that the final decision be delegated to the Local Transportation Manager, unless no consensus was forthcoming, in which case a further report would be brought to the October Committee.

5. A2003 ASHCOMBE ROAD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEASURES

The Local Transportation Manager suggested that the paper be withdrawn at this stage and a revised proposal presented within a wider Dorking movement context once the outcome of the Study was known. This was agreed.

6. D289 COLDHARBOUR LANE REVIEW OF PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS

Information only.

7. EPSOM DOWNS SPEED LIMIT REVISION

The Committee welcomed the proposals and approved the recommendation for their advertisement, and authorised the Local Transportation Manager to consider and resolve any objections that might arise.

8. RESPONSE TO BARNETT WOOD LANE TRAFFIC CALMING PETITION

It was resolved that

- i) the Local Transportation Manager should commence a programme to restore the existing traffic calming measures to the extent that current funding allows and to review the outcomes with a view to a further report to the Local Committee at a later date. All existing physical measures were also to be painted with reflective paint.
- ii) the Committee wished to thank the Petitioners for raising the issue, which has encouraged a revised approach to the scheme and consultation, and advised them that no suitable alternatives to the approach now adopted had been identified at this stage.

9. REVIEW OF THE PARKING STRATEGY FOR SURREY

It was resolved that County and Mole Valley Council officers should update the Local Area Parking Management Plan (Mole Valley) as appropriate

23 October 2002

1. REVIEW OF ROAD TRAFFIC CASUALTIES 2001

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2. A25 GUILDFORD ROAD – RESPONSE TO PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PETITION

Agreed:

- i) that officers continue to assist the Westcott school in exploring ways of employing school crossing patrol staff;
- ii) that a feasibility study be undertaken to ascertain the likely cost and impact of a signalled pedestrian crossing

3. A24 CONSULTATIONS ON GAP CLOSURES / PROVISION OF ROUNDABOUTS

Agreed:

- i) to progress detailed design and construction of the revised A24 improvements (detailed in Annexes 4 – 7) subject to the completion of statutory procedures and the availability of adequate funding, in conjunction with the approval of local elected Members and
- ii) subject to further informal consultation with Mid Holmwood residents on the revised scheme for Mid Holmwood and
- iii) subject to gaps in the central reservation of the A24 not being closed until after the roundabouts and other major engineering works relevant to these gap closures have been constructed;
- iv) to authorise officers to use the appropriate statutory procedures to progress any appropriate Traffic Regulation Orders and / or acquisition of land necessary for each aspect of the scheme, subject to consultation with local elected Members.

4. MEMBER GROUP TO EXPLORE TRANSPORT IMPLICATIONS OF WASTE MANAGEMENT ISSUES

Agreed:

- i) to approve the proposal for the establishment of a Member group to consider the transport implications of waste management as set out in the report,
- ii) that three Members from each Council form that group.

5. DORKING WAITING RESTRICTIONS REVIEW (STATION AREA)

Agreed:

- i) that the proposed 'no waiting at any time' restrictions in Lincoln Road at the junction with A24 London Road be amended from 20m to 15m on both sides of the road;
- ii) that the proposed curfew waiting restrictions in Lincoln Road be extended by 5m on each side to a point 15m from the junction with London Road;
- iii) that all the other proposals for Lincoln Road, Calvert Road, Chichester Road, Croft Avenue, A24 London Road and Mowbray Gardens proceed as published in June 2002 and that the Order be made;
- iv) that if parking increases in Keppel Road and Yew Tree Road as a result of the measures, advice and assistance will be given to residents of those roads to enable them to provide measures to help deter all day parking;
- v) that communication continues with Stanway School and Ashcombe School to encourage them to commit to site parking facilities..

6. HIGH STREET LEATHERHEAD – AMENDMENTS TO ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS

Agreed that approval be given to make a new permanent traffic order to allow access to all vehicular traffic after 4.30 pm and before 10 am on Monday to Saturday and all day Sunday, in part of Church Street and high street, Leatherhead, as described in paragraph 2.2 of the report.

7. CHART LANE DORKING TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME

Agreed:

- i) that the proposed traffic calming scheme shown in Annexe 2 be approved for implementation;
- ii) that the proposed waiting restrictions shown in the revised Annexe 3 be implemented as part of the scheme should no objections be maintained following their advertisement

8. PROGRESS IMPLEMENTING THE LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN DURING 2001/02

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11 December 2002

1. A25 REIGATE ROAD, DORKING, SPEED LIMIT ASSESSMENT

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2. HIGH STREET LEATHERHEAD, OPTIONS FOR PHASE 2 WATER FEATURE

The Committee agreed that:

- i) the ramp and associated works are pursued, with the exception of the water element;
- ii) the revised layout of the ramp and associated works be delegated to the Local Transport Manager, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman and Local Members.

3. MOLE VALLEY LOCAL AREA TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMME BID FOR 2003/04 TO 2005/06

The Committee agreed that:

- i) the report form the basis of a bid for the local area transportation programme in the District of Mole Valley for 2003/04, 2004/05 and 2005/06, as per the revised Annexe 6;
 - ii) an 'intermediate' bid be made for the STAR project in the Dorking Rural Box as indicated in Annexe 7 (amended);
 - iii) a 'major' bid be made to progress with the A24 Capel to M25 scheme on the lines indicated in Annexe 8.
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12 February 2003

1. OAKLAWN ROAD, LEATHERHEAD

The Committee agreed to rescind the resolution made at the former Mole Valley PATc (13/2/02) in respect of progressing a 40 mph speed limit in Oaklawn Road

2. DECRIMINALISATION OF PARKING ENFORCEMENT

The Committee agreed:

- i) that the implementation of DPE throughout Mole Valley is supported in principle
- ii) that officers seek confirmation of support from MVDC and confirm their willingness to manage and operate DPE in Mole Valley through an agency agreement with SCC
- iii) that a future meeting of the Local Committee would receive full details of an agency agreement, including financial terms

3. FETCHAM, BOOKHAM AND EFFINGHAM STUDY – ANALYSIS OF CONSULTATION

The Committee agreed:

- i) (For The Ridgeway) that agreement is given to progress further consultation and design, subject to funding being agreed at this committee in April 2003, but also subject to the resolving of objections to the measures brought forward by emergency service
- ii) (For Cock Lane, Penrose Road and Kennel Lane) that approval is given to progress further investigation, consultation and design of pedestrian improvements in the vicinity of the shops in Penrose Road, subject to funding being agreed at this Committee in April 2003

4. LEATHERHEAD WAITING RESTRICTION REVIEW

The Committee resolved:

- i) that proposals for Belmont Road be amended to permit parking on the north side between the access to the sorting office and Emlyn Lane, as per the addendum 3.1
- ii) that the proposed parking places in Church Rd be extended to Church Hall, ensuring that access points to Stenning Court and the Church hall are kept clear, and have a time limit of 2 hours during the working day Monday – Saturday, 8am to 6pm.
- iii) that the proposed parking places in Kingston Avenue be abandoned
- iv) that the proposed time limit on the parking places in Minchin Close be changed from Monday – Saturday, 8am – 6pm, to Monday – Friday, 8am – 6pm
- v) that all proposals for curfew restrictions in Oaks Close be abandoned
- vi) that all proposals for curfew restrictions in Windfield be postponed pending further investigations
- vii) that the “at any time” restriction at the southernmost end on the west side of Gimcrack Hill be extended at its northern end by about three metres, as considered necessary by Officers, to cover the access to Lawrence Weaver House.
- viii) that an “at any time” restriction on the eastern side of Fairfield Road from the northern boundary of no 12. (the extent of the existing single yellow line), to the junction of Leret Way is advertised
- ix) that the decision to revise parking proposals for that part of Kingston Road north of its junction with Oxshott Road (Tesco’s roundabout) shall be delegated to the Local Transportation Manager, in consultation with local members and in discussion with local residents, and that agreement to re-advertise the proposals as necessary is given
- x) that all other proposals forming part of the Leatherhead waiting restriction review proceed as published on 27/11/02 and that the order be made

- xi) that the decision to revise parking or waiting restrictions for that part of Church Street between the pedestrianised zone and the junction with The Crescent be delegated to the Local Transportation Manager, in consultation with local members and other interested parties), and that agreement to advertise proposals as necessary is given
- xii) that approval be given to publish the necessary Traffic Regulation Orders to amend the waiting restrictions and / or parking places in Station Rd, Church Road, Fairfield Road, Gimcrack Hill, and in Church Street and Kingston Road if required, as detailed in the report or in addendum to report and outlined above and that, subject to funding, the Orders be advertised and that, if no objections are maintained, the Order be made

5. REAL TIME PASSENGER INFORMATION – REPORT IN PROGRESS

The Committee noted this report but decided that they could not make decisions on funding implications, as requested, at this stage.

6. A29 DRIVER BEHAVIOUR STUDY

The Committee agreed:

- i) the establishment of a working group to consider the detail of the research report and, in consultation with local representatives, to recommend appropriate remedial solutions. The task group to be Mrs Clack (chairman), Mrs Pearson and Mrs Homewood
- ii) Officers would investigate when a similar study for the A24 might be undertaken.

7. WASTE TRANSPORT WORKING GROUP

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