

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (MOLE VALLEY)

LEATHERHEAD TOWN CENTRE ENHANCEMENTS AND EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC SCHEME 18 JUNE 2010

KEY ISSUE

To consider highway enhancements for Leatherhead Town Centre and progress an experimental traffic scheme for High Street and part of Church Street, Leatherhead.

SUMMARY

Surrey County Council and Mole Valley District Council are working together on public highway improvements in Leatherhead town centre. Funding related to development sites in Leatherhead is available.

Annexe A is a report about public realm enhancements in Leatherhead town centre, prepared for the District Council's Executive and the Local Committee. The report makes a number of recommendations to work towards improving the town centre, including a public consultation.

Annexe B gives details of the proposed experimental traffic scheme, which would restrict traffic in High Street and Church Street. This proposal would restrict traffic access in the evenings, but would be subject to public consultation.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Mole Valley) is asked to agree:

- (i) As set out in Annexe A:
 - That approval be given to Option 1 in this report, including
 - That officers prepare, with assistance from District officers, a public consultation on a public realm and infrastructure strategy based on the principles outlined in section 5 of this report;
 - That agreement be given in principle to the review of the current TRO and to consult the public on an experimental TRO that would restrict access to part of Church Street and all of High Street Leatherhead for a period of up to 18 months;
 - That approval be given to tackling the list of urgent and short term tasks within the High Street and Church Street to be funded from Section 106 payments and that officers work with District officers to implement the list.
 - That approval be given to allocate £25,000 of Section 106 funds towards the work outlined in this report.
- (ii) As set out in Annexe B:

That the Experimental Traffic Order, as detailed in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.8, to amend the access restrictions on High Street and part of Church Street, be advertised and implemented on site, subject to informal consultation being satisfactory.

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