

## SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE IN SPELTHORNE

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at Spelthorne Borough Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines.

### County Council Members:

**Mrs Denise Turner-Stewart (Chairman)\***

**Mr Victor Agarwal\***

**Mr Ian Beardsmore\***

**Mrs Carol Coleman**

**Mrs Caroline Nichols**

**Mrs Denise Saliagopoulos**

**Mr Richard Walsh\***

### Borough Council Members:

**Councillor Denise Grant\***

**Councillor Gerry Forsbrey\***

**Councillor John Packman\***

**Councillor Jack Pinkerton**

**Councillor Robin Sider**

**Councillor Richard Smith-Ainsley**

**Councillor George Trussler\***

**\* = present**

(All references to items refer to the Agenda for the meeting)

**01/11**

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (ITEM 1)**

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Saliagopoulos, Mrs Coleman, Councillor Smith-Ainsley and Councillor Sider.

**02/11**

### **MINUTES (ITEM 2)**

The minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2011 were approved with one amendment to para 75/10 and one addition at para 75/10 and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

The one amendment to para 75/10 was to the sentence that begins 'Full comments', replaced with 'The Committee considered each of the recommendations and agreed that a record of the full comments made by the committee as set out in annex 2 to these minutes, would be prepared for the report to Cabinet in November and Council in December.'

The one addition at 75/10 was a new paragraph inserted after 'N.B.', stating 'Guillotine Meetings will not normally be longer than three hours in duration. Prior to the three hour-limit and the commencement of Item 8, Mr Beardsmore formally proposed that the meeting should be extended to enable the completion of the business on the agenda, which was seconded by Chairman Mrs

Denise Turner-Stewart and approved by Members of the Committee.'

**03/11            DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (ITEM 3)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**04/11            CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (ITEM 4)**

The Chairman announced:

**a) Walton Bridge**

Reported that the Government announced full funding approval for Walton Bridge on 29<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

That Surrey County Council is about to instruct its contractor Costain to proceed with the advance construction works. The most pressing piece of work will be to undertake tree clearance before the bird nesting season starts on 1<sup>st</sup> March. This will be followed by the archaeological investigation, and then the preparation of the Exchange Land.

That it is planned to have the Exchange Land ready for public use by the end of the year, so that the main construction works can commence in January 2012.

**b) A30 Cycle Route**

A joint statement had been received from the Highways Agency and Connect Plus, announcing details about improvements and resurfacing work starting on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2011, which is due to be completed by early April.

The scheme is a combination of work to upgrade the existing footway to a combined cycle/footway, improve bus stops to ensure they comply with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995, and to resurface the majority of the carriageway on the A30 between the M25 at junction 13 through to just next to Harrow Road.

Work is planned to be carried out on a 24 hour basis with off peak lane closures and overnight road closures. A letter will be distributed to local residents."

The Local Committee Officer Yvette Örtel has available upon request a full statement from Connect Plus and the Highways Agency, regarding the A30 works.

**c) Small Disadvantaged Areas Fund**

That the Small Disadvantaged Areas Panel had met, and Andrew Povey announced the successful bids at the Council

meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December. The scheme was heavily over subscribed in terms of funding requested.

Spelthorne was successful with 1 of its 4 bids - Stanwell Community Projects: 'Dig it! Stanwell - Planting out'. This has been awarded £7,550 (the bid was for £10,550).

The Chairman thanked the hard work of colleagues locally in producing and submitting the four bids for Spelthorne to this fund and noted that all bidders, both successful and unsuccessful, had been informed by letter.

**05/11**

**PETITIONS (ITEM 5)**

**There were no petitions.**

**06/11**

**MEMBERS' QUESTIONS (ITEM 6)**

No member questions were received.

**07/11**

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS (ITEM 7)**

One public question was received and the answer is as set out in Annex 1 to these minutes.

**08/11**

**ADULT LEARNING (ITEM 8)**

The Chairman welcomed Paul Hoffman, Adult Learning Manager, who gave a presentation and provided the Committee with an update on adult learning in Spelthorne.

**9/11**

**MEMBERS' FUNDS (ITEM 9)**

The Local Committee and Partnership Officer presented the report.

**Resolved:**

- (I) Noted that Mrs Coleman's contributions to Spelthorne Borough Council for winter hanging baskets and bus stop troughs was £1400 (para 2.1).
- (II) Noted that the location of streetlights funded by Mr Agarwal has changed (para 2.2).
- (III) Noted funding bids approved under delegated authority since the last Local Committee meeting (para 2.3 – 2.7).
- (IV) Approved an application for funding of £1000 from Laleham Church of England School for storage for the outdoor classroom, to be funded from Mr Walsh's revenue allocation. (para 2.8).
- (V) Approved an application for funding of £9407 from Spelthorne Borough Council for the purchase and planting of trees at Sunbury Cross, to be funded from Mr

Beardsmore's capital allocation (£2736) and revenue allocation (£6671). (para 2.9).

- (VI) Approved an application for funding of £9618 from Surrey Highways towards the resurfacing of Bedfont Road Stanwell, to be funded from Mr Agarwal's capital allocation (£6285) and revenue allocation (£3333) (para 2.10).
- (VII) Approved an application for funding of £580 from Laleham Residents Association for the improvement of the common areas of Laleham Village, to be funded from Mrs Saliagopoulos' revenue allocation (£260) and Mr Walsh's revenue allocation (£260). (para 2.11).
- (VIII) Approved an application for funding of £1290 from Surrey Highways for hatched markings on Heathcroft Avenue, to be funded from Mr Beardsmore's revenue allocation. (para 2.12).
- (IX) Noted that the funding from Mr Agarwal for the purchase of streetlights will be £2,436, to purchase one double armed lamp-post at the new location (para 2.2), rather than the £3,000 as previously agreed. (Additional Recommendation).

**10/11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING (ITEM 10)**

To be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2011 in the Council Chamber, Spelthorne Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines at 7pm.

The meeting, which commenced at 7.00pm, ended at 7.40pm.

Chairman.....

**SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE IN SPELTHORNE  
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**AGENDA ITEM 7**

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**Mr Andrew McLuskey will ask the following question:**

“Given the inaccurate nature of the recent Surrey County Council map on 'Current and past mineral working in NW Surrey' does the Committee agree that this must be the final nail in the coffin of the thoroughly compromised Mineral Plan?”

**Les Andrews, SCC Planning Policy Manager, will give the following answer:**

“The map of current and past mineral working in Surrey was prepared to provide the Inspector with a simplified overview of sand and gravel extraction in the north west Surrey area. Its purpose is to aid a spatial understanding of mineral development in the area with sites identified by names which might be referred to during the examination hearings. The map key contains only three categories and the sites are assigned to the category to which they most closely relate.

The County Council considers that the Plan is sound and it has not been compromised. The Plan is undergoing its public examination and the independent inspector will determine its soundness.”