



Minutes of meeting

LOCAL COMMITTEE (Surrey Heath)

Date: Thursday 19 April 2012

Time: 6.00 PM

Place: Surrey Heath House, Knoll Road, Camberley, Surrey, GU15 3HD

Members present:

Surrey County Council [3]

Cllr Bill Chapman (Camberley East – Old Dean, St Paul’s & Town)

Cllr David Ivison (Heatherside & Parkside)

Cllr Chris Pitt (Frimley Green & Mytchett)

Surrey Heath Borough Council [4]

Cllr Vivienne Chapman (St. Paul’s)

Cllr Colin Dougan (St. Michael’s)

Cllr Paul Ilnicki (Heatherside)

Cllr Valerie White (Bagshot)

All references to items refer to the Agenda for the meeting.
The meeting was preceded by an Open Public Question Time. The notes are in **Annex A**.

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21/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE [Item 1]

Apologies were received from County Councillors Stuart MacLeod, Denis Fuller and Lavinia Sealy, and from Borough Councillors Richard Brooks and Edward Hawkins. No Borough substitute Members attended the meeting.

22/12 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS – 16 February 2012 [Item 2]

The minutes of the last meeting of the Local Committee (Surrey Heath) held on 16 February 2012 were agreed and signed.

23/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST [Item 3]

None were received.

24/12 PETITIONS [Item 4]

None were received.

25/12 WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS [Item 5]

None were received.

26/12 WRITTEN MEMBERS QUESTIONS [Item 6]

None were received.

Executive Item for Decision

27/12 HIGHWAYS UPDATE [Item 7]

Andrew Milne, Highways Area Manager (NW), presented the report, seeking formal approval for the Integrated Transport Scheme (ITS) works for progression in the 2012-13 financial year, and providing details of the new capital maintenance fund made available to the Local Committee (Surrey Heath).

The same amount of capital allocation had been provided for the Integrated Transport Scheme (ITS) programme for 2012-13 as for the previous year. It was noted that the commitment of capital funds, as laid out in the officer report, was greater than the total allocation in order to allow for flexibility in response to any problems in delivery, and reflected the desire for two-year forward planning.

Commenting on the proposed ITS and Developer Funded Schemes, as set out in Table 1 of the officer report, Mr Chapman raised concerns over speeding in the Crawley Hill/Church Hill area and asked officers to consider further traffic calming measures, in addition to the proposed pedestrian crossing, which could be funded by Section 106 monies. The Chairman asked Mr Milne to take into account the use of Section 106 monies for such works.

Cllr Vivienne Chapman stated that the installation of the Crawley Hill/Church Hill pedestrian crossing would be welcomed by local residents and families.

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With reference to the implementation of the Maultway speed limit change, the Chairman confirmed that the change applies to the entirety of the Maultway, from Deepcut to the A30.

Cllr White confirmed that Kevin Patching, Traffic Engineer, had carried out a site visit to Bagshot High Street and had been in contact with the Parish Council over possible actions. Cllr White suggested that 20mph markings be laid on Bagshot High Street as part of the enhancement programme.

Mr Milne stated that Peter Sheppard, Highways Maintenance Engineer, had been in the process of drawing up a list of proposed sites to add to the existing repair programme, which would result in funds being committed for works across a greater area of the borough. The Chairman noted Cllr Innicki's request to consider Westerdale Drive, Camberley, in this programme.

The revenue maintenance allocation for the 2012-13 financial year had increased to £226,525 from £100,000 in the previous year. It was also confirmed that the Community Pride fund was continuing.

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath):

- (i) approved the list of ITS shown in Table 1 of the report for progression in the 2012-13 financial year, and delegated to the North West (NW) Area Team Manager the authority to promote and progress any necessary Traffic Regulation Orders or other items associated with the progression of these schemes, and the authority to resolve any objections that may be received through the consultation period on these schemes together with the Divisional Member, Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee.
- (ii) delegated to the NW Area Team Manager (in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee) approval of the 2012/13 capital maintenance schemes for Surrey Heath following consultation with Committee Members.
- (iii) approved the provisional split of 2012/13 revenue funding shown in Table 2 and delegated approval to the NW Area Team manager to adjust the split of this funding in response to operational need throughout the course of the financial year, subject to consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee.

The meeting finished at 7.05 PM.

Chairman

Annex A

Open Public Question Time – notes

1. **Glyn Carpenter, Surrey Heath Borough Cllr (Bagshot)**
Turning right from the A30 (Bagshot) into Station Road can be difficult due to traffic backing up from Notcutts garden centre. Would it be possible to introduce a yellow box junction there?

Cllr White

This issue has come up before – perhaps it could be considered as part of the feasibility study to be carried out in Bagshot?

The Chairman asked Andrew Milne, Highways Area Manager (NW), to look into this and advise.

2. **Audrey Roxburgh, Surrey Heath Borough Cllr (St Pauls)**
The new traffic lights by Eli Lilly are very good. However, the red light stays on when the green 'right turn' arrow is lit, which appears to be causing cars to stop, forming a queue. Does the red light need to stay on?

Reply from the Chairman

A review is due to be undertaken, which will hopefully result in a 'green wave' down to The Meadows.

3. **Lianne Gibson, Surrey Heath Borough Cllr (Windlesham)**
Residents in Windlesham have recently commented on a new zebra crossing in Lightwater – why has Windlesham not been allowed a zebra crossing?
Would it be possible for someone in Highways to look at improving parking in Windlesham village, i.e. to remove yellow lines and increase parking provision?

Reply from Andrew Milne, Highways Area Manager (NW)

Before commenting on the zebra crossing, I would like to review the relevant reports and assessments, which may explain decisions made previously.

The issue around parking can be referred to the County Council's Parking Team.

4. **Cllr Colin Dougan**
Can officers provide an update on the access to Camberley work?

Reply from the Chairman

That is due to be reported on by Surrey Heath Borough Council in September 2012.

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5. Cllr Colin Dougan

Parking permits for residents' visitors were discussed by the Local Committee as part of the Camberley Controlled Parking Zone. Can residents now acquire parking permits for visitors?

Reply from the Chairman

It is not currently possible to provide an answer on that. You may also wish to refer that question to the Surrey Heath Borough Council parking team.

6. Tony Duhig, resident in Frimley

I am a volunteer driver with Camberley Care Trust and have noticed severe road surface damage in Westerdale Drive (Frimley), where I am also a resident, which appears to have been caused by heavy goods vehicles working on redevelopments. Can this be addressed?

Reply from Andrew Milne, Highways Area Manager (NW)

That road is not currently on this year's maintenance programme. However, the Senior Highways Engineer has identified it for localised structural repair. I believe this will be addressed under the Highways item to be discussed later in the meeting.

7. Cllr Colin Dougan

When are we going to consult on the Controlled Parking Zone decisions that the Local Committee made in 2011?

Reply from the Chairman

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9. Cllr Colin Dougan

Can Surrey County Council (SCC) review its guidelines on parking provision for new developments? Currently objections cannot be made on the grounds that insufficient parking provision is being proposed (i.e. too few parking spaces per residential unit) as SCC guidelines must be broken for objections to be made. There is a concern that SCC guidelines do not provide sufficient parking provision.

Reply from the Chairman

I am happy to make a recommendation on behalf of Surrey Heath for SCC to review its guidelines on parking space allocation.

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10. Cllr Colin Dougan

Recently David Hodge, Leader of Surrey County Council, discussed the need to increase frequency of direct trains to London from Camberley, and to improve the quality of the station itself. Can we have an update on recent progress?

Reply from the Chairman

I cannot provide an update on behalf of Mr Hodge, but I have spoken recently with Geoff French, who is an Enterprise M3 board member. Development of Camberley train station and an improved rail link are key to the development of Camberley. I will continue lobbying for improvements.

Cllr Vivienne Chapman

Capacity at Clapham Junction is part of the issue, i.e. the amount of platforms and signals available.

11. Cllr Chris Pitt

To mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, Prince William is leading an initiative whereby 2012 playing fields across the country will be designated as QE2 fields. So far 50 fields have been identified in Surrey, but it is hoped double that number will be found. Can Surrey Heath support this initiative?

Reply from Cllr Vivienne Chapman

This should be referred to Cllr Craig Fennell, who is the relevant portfolio holder in the Surrey Heath Borough Council, and Leigh Thornton, interim Leisure Manager.