

Supplementary Agenda

**We welcome you to
Reigate and Banstead Local Committee**
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Item 5 – Written Public
Questions

Item 7a – Petition to:
Repair a deep verge on
Slipshatch Road, Reigate

Item 7b – Petition to:
Improve the road safety of
children attending Horley
Infant School



Venue

Location: Reigate Town Hall,
Castlefield Road,
Reigate, Surrey
RH2 0SH

Date: Monday, 9
September 2019

Time: 2.00 pm

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

5 FORMAL PUBLIC QUESTIONS (Pages 1 - 2)

To answer any questions from residents or businesses within the Reigate and Banstead Borough area in accordance with Standing Order 69. Notice should be given in writing or by email to the Community Partnership and Committee Officer by 12 noon 4 working days before the meeting.

7a PETITION TO: REPAIR A DEEP VERGE ON SLIPSHATCH ROAD, REIGATE (Pages 3 - 4)

The officer response and recommendations.

7b PETITION TO: IMPROVE THE ROAD SAFETY OF CHILDREN ATTENDING HORLEY INFANT SCHOOL (Pages 5 - 6)

The officer response and recommendations.

Questions from members of the public

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE & BANSTEAD)



DATE: 9 SEPTEMBER 2019
LEAD OFFICER: JESS EDMUNDSON, PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE OFFICER

SUBJECT: QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

DIVISION: ALL

Question 1: Steve (@RedhillRail via Twitter):

We need to create safe sustainable transport. When will safe fully segregated cycle and pedestrian routes be created through Reigate, Woodhatch, Redhill and Merstham to key centres?

Response:

The Local Committee agreed to publish and work towards the delivery of the Reigate & Banstead Cycling Plan in February 2017, which includes new cycle routes and infrastructure within the borough. The infrastructure plan can be viewed on the council's [online map](#) and details proposals for safe cycle tracks, segregated from traffic, to provide strategic routes, or complete gaps in the existing network, between key centres including Redhill, Hooley, Merstham, Horley, Woodhatch and Banstead.

The delivery of the infrastructure plan depends on adequate funding being made available for design and construction work, often from external sources such as the Department for Transport or the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), as well as any criteria that is set as a condition of funding.

Since 2015, the council has sought major transport schemes funding to deliver a number of local cycle improvements. This includes a successful bid to the Coast to Capital LEP that allowed the council to:

- Upgrade the off-road shared cycle facility between Woodhatch and South Earlswood.
- Construct a new 3km off-road shared cycle facility along the A23 from South Earlswood towards Horley.
- Resurface and improve sections of National Cycle Route 21 which runs parallel to the A23.

During this period, the council submitted an Expression of Interest to the LEP to fund the next phase of the above project to extend the routes recently delivered, to connect to Merstham, Redhill and Horley.

The council has also developed business cases to design and/or construct cycle schemes between Epsom to Banstead and Redhill to Hooley for which it hopes to attract funding as and when suitable opportunities to bid for funding arise.

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ITEM 5

Questions from members of the public

Question 2: Bill, Cycle Redhill and Reigate:

The Picturehouse development on the East side of Marketfield Way has created a long term obstruction closing the shared footway for many months leading to an inconvenient detour for pedestrians and cycle users. With the Marketfield Way development scheduled to start soon and the council committed to encouraging sustainable travel, can the council please confirm what provisions are being made to ensure walking and cycle use along the shared footway on the west side of Marketfield Way and along Marketfield Road is not adversely impacted?

Additionally, if the council could confirm plans for after completion as a narrow shared use footway may be problematic with busy restaurants fronting this stretch.

Response:

It is appreciated that the existing shared footway/cycleway on the east side of Marketfield Way has been temporarily closed in order for the construction of the flats on the former Liquid and Envy site to be carried out. The shared footway/cycleway has been temporarily closed for safety, to protect highway users. This shared footway/cycleway will be reopened once work to construct the flats is complete.

Pedestrians and cyclists can be guided by the signs that have been erected on site to use the western shared footway/cycleway which was installed as part of the Redhill Balanced Network scheme, and has been in place since 2015, or cyclists can also cycle on the carriageway if they are confident to do so.

With respect to the Marketfield Way car park site, there is a condition on the planning permission (ref: 19/00938/S73) for the developer to submit a Construction Transport Management Plan which has to be submitted and agreed before commencement of the development.

Permission for this development was granted in January 2017 and unfortunately there was no scope to widen the existing footway.

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE & BANSTEAD)

DATE: 9 SEPTEMBER 2019
SUBJECT: SLIPSHATCH ROAD, REIGATE
DIVISION: EARLSWOOD & REIGATE SOUTH



PETITION DETAILS:

We as a community are very upset and dangerously worried about driving Slipshatch Road, Reigate Surrey RH2. The white lines on the bad areas have been worn off by cars going off the road and fallen into the deep ditch at the side of the road. The road is narrow and when you get a vehicle coming the other way it gets VERY SCARY TO BE SO CLOSE TO THE EDGE. There is no run off, so if you come off the tarmac you will most likely crash or possibly roll over which we have seen recently. It is a dangerous road to drive with Kids.

RESPONSE:

Slipshatch Road is a C-Class road linking Sandcross Lane in the east to Clayhall Lane in the west. It is rural in nature with a 40mph speed limit. The existing edge of carriageway markings have been reviewed and are in good condition and are clearly visible.

Surrey County Council receive a vast number of requests for improvements to be carried out on roads throughout the county due to resident's concerns about road safety. These improvements can include traffic calming measures, pedestrian crossing facilities and measures to address concerns about the condition of existing highway verges. Because the number of requests received for such measures vastly exceeds the funding available, funding for such measures is prioritised where their introduction would achieve the greatest benefit in terms of helping to reduce the number of personal injury collisions on Surrey's roads.

Surrey County Council hold personal injury collision data for traffic collisions that have occurred on Surrey's roads over the most recent 5 year period for which data is available. This information is provided by Surrey Police and shows that there have been 4 personal injury collisions have occurred within Slipshatch Road over the most recent 3 year period for which data is available (from 01/04/16 to 31/03/19). All of these collisions resulted in a slight injury, one of which was the result of a driver failing to stop for Police. One of the collisions can be attributed to the poor condition of the verge at the edge of the carriageway along a section of Slipshatch Road. The other 2 collisions could not be attributed to the condition of the verge.

Officers have visited Slipshatch Road to inspect the locations where the verge has sunk below the height of the existing carriageway. It is not immediately apparent what has caused the verge to sink along certain sections of Slipshatch Road, or what would be the most effective method to raise the level of the verge and prevent it from sinking in the future. Therefore it will be necessary to carry out a detailed assessment to examine options and to agree on the most appropriate solution. It is proposed that initial investigation and design work to establish the cause of the verge to sink and the most

effective method to raise the verge be added to the Integrated Transport Schemes List for consideration for future funding.

Officers could also work with the divisional member and district councillor to see if there is any support for any work to be carried out on initial investigation and design work and any opportunities for match funding.

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Committee is asked to note:

- i) The officer's comment.*
- ii) That officers could work with the divisional member and district councillor to see if there is any support for work to be carried out on initial investigation and design work and whether there are any opportunities for match funding.*

The local Committee is asked to agree:

- iii) That initial investigation and design work to establish the cause of the verge to sink and the most effective method to raise the verge be added to the Integrated Transport Scheme List for consideration for future funding.*

Contact Officer:

Anne-Marie Hannam, Senior Traffic Engineer

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LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE & BANSTEAD)

DATE: 9 SEPTEMBER 2019
SUBJECT: ROAD SAFETY OUTSIDE SCHOOLS – HORLEY INFANT SCHOOL
DIVISION: HORLEY WEST, SALFORDS AND SIDLOW

PETITION DETAILS:

An e petition with 251 signatures has been submitted to the Local Committee for Reigate and Banstead for consideration.

The petition states:

The installation of railings outside school entrances in Lumley/Albert Road and along the staff car park path to restrict parents and children walking through the car park. The installation of railings will immensely improve safety and help avoid any unnecessary accidents • To relieve traffic on Lumley/Albert Road, we are asking to increase the amount of town car park permits issued to 80 and increase the allocated “free parking times” by 10 minutes morning and afternoons; the existing times are: 8.45-9.15am and 2.45-3.15pm; an improved time frame would be: 8:30 – 9:15 and 2:45 – 3:30 • To replace the double yellow lines painted directly outside the rear school entrance on Albert Road with extended school zig zag lines, thus making it a no parking zone for all vehicles/drivers during drop off and collection times • To increase the frequency of Parking Patrol Officers on both Lumley/Albert Road to be more visible to drivers and help deter any inconsiderate parking

RESPONSE:

Surrey County Councils Safer Travel Team will investigate concerns using the Road Safety Outside Schools Policy. This process includes a site visit which will look at the physical highway features outside the school with key stakeholders including Police, highways engineers and parking colleagues. An internal audit is carried out with the schools management team to look at what the school does in order to promote road safety and sustainable travel to their pupils and wider school community.

At school drop off and pick up times the roads in the immediate vicinity of schools are especially busy and there is usually a high level of vehicle, pedestrian, and cyclist activity. This causes slower vehicle speeds and congestion and very often leads to frustration from residents and motorists at the apparent chaos caused by parents and children arriving or leaving the school. The aim is to reduce the risk of collisions, and to make the road feel safer in order to improve the attractiveness of walking and cycling to and from schools.

The county council would like to encourage safe walking and cycling to school, as this is better for the health of children, and reduces congestion and pollution.

The perceived danger to children on the school journey, especial in the vicinity of a school, can prove to be a barrier to more walking and cycling. This then results in more car journeys and more congestion. A further report outlining recommendations will be brought back to this committee in due course.

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Committee is asked to agree:

- (i) *To allow the county councils Safer Travel Team to investigate concerns raised by the petition using the Road Safety Outside Schools Policy*

The Local Committee is asked to note:

- (ii) *The outcome of the safety assessment will be reported to the school and local County Councillor containing the results of the road safety education assessment and a description of any potential highway improvements and estimated costs.*
- (iii) *That recommendations could include measures within the school grounds which the school will be responsible for implementing*

Contact Officer:

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