

Supplementary Agenda

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Waverley Local Committee
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Item 6 – Written Public Questions

Item 7 – Additional Written Member Questions



Venue

Location: REMOTE

Date: Friday, 26 March 2021

Time: 10.30 am

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

6 WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS (Pages 1 - 2)

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

7 WRITTEN MEMBER QUESTIONS (Pages 3 - 6)

To receive any written questions from Members under Standing Order 47. The deadline for members' questions is 12 noon four working days before the meeting. Notice should be given by email to the Partnership Committee Officer.



SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE (WAVERLEY) 26 March 2021

AGENDA ITEM 6

WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS

1. Nansi Taylor, Godalming resident, will ask the following question:

SAFETY OF OUR STREETS

At a recent meeting we discussed this very current issue about the safety of streets locally, particularly regarding Godalming where the group meets, in normal times. As a women's group working to improve the lives of women and girls, the topic is particularly significant. There were several strands considered and our questions are as follows.

- what measures at present exist to ensure the safety of women and children in our streets, particularly at key points in the town like the stations of Farncombe and Godalming, and the Pepperpot and High Street in Godalming.
- what record is there of attacks /threats or incidents involving women and girls
- are any new initiatives planned locally as a result of the increased awareness of the magnitude of the problem country wide.

Thank You, Nansi Taylor
Writing on behalf of the Surrey Hills Soroptomists

Eve Budd, Community Safety Officer, Waverley Borough Council, has provided the following answer:

The Safer Waverley Partnership works closely together to address any areas or issues that are highlighted to us where there is a concern of crime or anti-social behaviour. We use a problem solving approach and effective partnership working through the Joint Action Group (JAG) that addresses problem locations or crime series. When a location is nominated and accepted as a JAG issue a multi-agency group will consider what can be done to address the problems, and identifies the agencies to do this, this can include changes to the physical environment like cutting back of hedges or improving street lighting.

As a partnership we would be happy to engage with Surrey Hills Soroptomists over the specific concerns they have raised.

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SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE (WAVERLEY) 26 March 2021

AGENDA ITEM 7

WRITTEN MEMBER QUESTIONS

1. Cllr John Gray will ask the following question:

Residents have raised many complaints about the state of the Plaistow Road (Dunsfold Parish) from junction of the Chiddingfold / High Street Green road up to Burntwood Kennels and further up to the junction with Fisher lane.

The road has been the route of a number of diversions affecting the Chiddingfold Road which has channelled much more heavy goods traffic causing sinking and depressions similar to the Chiddingfold road (which has been repaired in the last six months). This is damaging tyres and making an accident highly likely in the view of residents.

Highways most recent inspection in February 2021 identified some 26 pot holes which were filled in but did not address the overall poor state of the road. Rural residents in this part of Waverley feel that they do not receive a fair share of road repair monies.

Would County Highways address the concerns of residents and give an indication of when the road can be repaired and resurfaced rather than filling pot holes every three months?

Frank Apicella, SCC Area Highway Manager (South West), will give the following answer:

I understand your concerns about the general condition of the road and we have road warning signs in place regarding the uneven road surface. Unfortunately this road isn't currently on any planned maintenance programme, however we will review whether the current condition is such that it should be considered further for inclusion on that programme or for other repairs.

Plaistow Road will continue to be inspected every 3 months for Highway safety defects which will be repaired in accordance with our Highway Safety Inspection Policy.

I'm sorry not to be able to give you a more positive response at the moment. I should advise that to manage the demand for road improvements we allocate funding to those schemes that prioritise highest in terms of defect severity and network hierarchy so cannot confirm when any significant works maybe

undertaken on Plaistow Road as this will need to be considered alongside other roads on the programme.

2. Cllr Penny Rivers will ask the following question:

Another recent road traffic incident has raised questions from residents across Godalming regarding the traffic light phasing and related issues along Flambard Way in Godalming.

As officers will be aware, this is not the first incident in this area over the last few years, and many residents expect it not to be the last without some change.

Could Surrey Highways Officers provide:

1. A list of the number and scale (injuries vs fatalities) of road traffic accidents on this stretch of road over the last 5 years?
2. A list what of preventative/proactive actions have been investigated and undertaken during that same period?
3. Explain what actions are being considered following the latest incident and if changes to traffic phasing are (as many residents have suggested) a reasonable approach?

SCC Highways Team have provided the following answer:

1 The Highways GIS data portal and the collision data is as follows:

The last five years on Flambard Way at Woolsack Way junction:

2017 1 Slight

2020 1 Slight

Brighton Road junction :

2017 1 slight

2018 1 serious

2019 1 serious

2020 1 serious + 1 fatal.

2 and 3

The Traffic Signal Junction on the northern side of Flambard Way was designed by a consultant employed by the developer and moved the pedestrian crossing point further north-east in early 2018. The 'intergreen time' (the time period between green lights on conflicting phases) was increased as a result when the traffic signal configuration was designed.

The Intergreen times (between Brighton Road and Flambard Way) were also increased in the signals controller on 17/4/2018. This was in response to complaints of drivers having near misses. The changes were for vehicles exiting Brighton Road and vehicles on Flambard Way approaching from the north side. Kerbside pedestrian detectors to avoid un-necessary red lights for traffic, when pedestrians have already crossed were also installed and

enabled on 29/5/19 at the request of local councillors. These were disabled in April 2020.

On 15/4/2019 there was a relocation of a secondary signal head with a filter arrow in response to several drivers being confused when turning right towards Wharf Street.

There is a separate Police investigation underway with regards to the fatal pedestrian incident in March 2020.

Following the most recent incident at this location, we would be unlikely to change the "Phasing" (i.e. which traffic or pedestrian phases run together) at the junction as this is already the optimum configuration, but we will be reviewing timings changes if deemed correct and advisable. However, as noted above, the intergreen timings have already been changed in response to similar previous reports and are already in accordance with (or exceeding) current DfT guidance. There is also the concern that if intergreen periods are extended for too long, there is a risk that motorists may think the signals have stuck on red and may be more inclined to jump the red light at the junction.

3. Cllr Jerry Hyman will ask the following question:

At the Farnham Infrastructure Project (FIP) Local Liaison Forum (LLF) Meeting for Businesses on 10th March the Panel stated that Surrey now has a functioning and validated Paramics "Farnham Model" based on 2019 traffic data.

Please confirm whether that is correct, and if so, please also confirm whether that 2019 Base Model has been used to produce

1. a 'With Development' model demonstrating how the consented Crest Nicholson ('Brightwells') network changes would affect traffic flows/congestion,
2. a 'With Development' model demonstrating how the consented Crest Nicholson ('Brightwells') scheme would affect traffic flows/congestion if the network change were not implemented, and
3. a model of the likely effects of the town centre roadspace reallocation measures being promoted by the Farnham Board, and their impact on the Upper Hale Road and other peripheral roads,

and how soon such modelling of potential options can be demonstrated to Councillors and the public.

Answer from the Chair and Vice Chair

This question is for the Farnham Infrastructure Board (Chaired by the Leader of SCC) and it is suggested that Cllr Hyman and the Chair write separately to the Board to ask about traffic implications.

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