

## DRAFT

Minutes of the meeting of the  
**Mole VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE**  
held at 2.00 pm on 3 December 2014  
at Council Chamber, Pippbrook, Reigate Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 1SJ.

### Surrey County Council Members:

- \* Mr Tim Hall (Chairman)
- \* Mrs Clare Curran (Vice-Chairman)
- \* Mrs Helyn Clack
- \* Mr Stephen Cooksey
- \* Mr Chris Townsend
- \* Mrs Hazel Watson

### Borough / District Members:

- \* Cllr Tim Ashton
- \* Cllr Howard Jones
- \* Cllr Mary Huggins
- \* Cllr Valerie Homewood
- \* Cllr Raj Haque
- \* Cllr Simon Ling

\* In attendance

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### Open Forum

Issues with vehicles parking on verges and pavements were discussed.

#### **29/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS [Item 1]**

No apologies for absence were received.

#### **30/14 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING [Item 2]**

The minutes from the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2014 were agreed as a true record.

#### **31/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST [Item 3]**

No declarations of interest were received.

#### **32/14 PUBLIC QUESTIONS (AGENDA ITEM ONLY) [Item 4a]**

The tabled public questions and responses are attached in Annex A.

#### **Question 1 Peter Seaward**

Supplementary Question

Peter Seaward asked the following supplementary questions:

- a request for a definite date for a resolution of the issue with the landowner in relation to the flooding of the junction of the BOAT (Admirals Walk) and Dorking Rd
- what has the CCTV investigation in East Street revealed?

and commented that the RA had conflicting evidence as regards the gullies maintenance on Dorking Rd. John Lawlor (Area Highways Manger) responded that until there has been a legal agreement with the landowner, the flooding issue (Admirals Walk and Dorking Rd) cannot be progressed, but he will update Bookham RA as soon as it is completed. The CCTV investigation has revealed a large amount of damage to the infrastructure and he will discuss this with the RA at a meeting, to be organised once a further map has been received. SCC Councillor Clare Curran commented that the residents have lost patience because the flooding issues in East Street are so longstanding and it is a real social problem for the village.

### **Question 2 Michael Agius**

Supplementary Question

Michael Agius expressed his concerns as winter is upon us and asked for timescales for the designs for the critical areas and also would like to discuss details of short term solutions with Paul Manwaring. John Lawlor responded that he would put pressure on the design team and agreed to a meeting in early/mid January, which Clare Curran requested took place before the Flood Forum meeting.

### **Question 3 Peter Browne**

Supplementary Question

Peter Browne said he was disappointed with the response from Surrey Highways. It is a matter of judgement, but he felt it inadequate that Councillors were not informed of changes, that a significant press release was contradicted and it is regrettable that SCC was not willing to agree that there have been errors made.

Tim Hall said he expects a future report on the issue. Cllr Chris Townsend concerns are with the lighting and the timing of the traffic lights.

Once the Safety Audit is complete a meeting of Jason Russell, Tim Hall and Cllr Chris Townsend will take place.

### **Question 4 Mike Ward**

Resident not present

### **Question 5 Robin Todd**

Supplementary Question

Michael Agius spoke on behalf of Robin Todd, and pointed out that more work needed doing on the outlets and the soakaways, which John Lawlor said he was aware of.

#### **Question 6 Christine Matthews**

Supplementary Question

Christine Matthews asked why the entrance to Chalkpit Lane was not resurfaced when the entrances to all the other roads off the A246 were recently. John Lawlor said he couldn't provide a response as this was part of an official complaint, but would pass it on to the relevant team.

Clare Curran suggested if the depot was developed in future, S106 money could be used to adopt and resurface the road. It was agreed that the Local Committee would write to Mole Valley DC with this suggestion.

### **33/14 MEMBER QUESTIONS (AGENDA ITEM ONLY) [Item 4b]**

The tabled Member questions and responses are attached at Annex B.

#### **Questions from Tim Hall**

No supplementary was asked.

#### **Questions from Cllr Haque**

Supplementary Question

Cllr Haque asked for a definite delivery date for the work in Cock Lane. John Lawlor will ask the Project Horizon team for the date.

#### **Questions from Stephen Cooksey**

Supplementary Questions

1. As regards the Yorkstone paving Stephen Cooksey requested a start date, to which John Lawlor responded that it would be asap.
2. Stephen Cooksey would like a rapid response to his question about flooding problems at Deepdene roundabout. The response will be cc'd to all divisional Members
3. Stephen Cooksey asked why nothing has happened with the Dorking parking scheme. Tim Hall blamed himself as new proposals for Leatherhead kept being suggested. Is the January date a definite Stephen Cooksey asked? David Curl confirmed it was.
4. Why has it taken so long to reach the point of investigation? John Lawlor said they are awaiting information from a third party.

#### **Question from Cllr Dickson**

Supplementary Question

1. What will the timescale for the sign to be installed? John Lawlor said it would be this financial year.

**34/14 PETITIONS (AGENDA ITEM ONLY) [Item 5]**

No petitions were received.

**35/14 RECOMMENDATIONS TRACKER (FOR INFORMATION) [Item 6]**

**Declarations of Interest**

None

**Officer attending**

Cheryl Poole

**Petitions, Public Questions and Statements**

None

**Member discussion – key points**

Chris Townsend questioned why the design for Woodfield Lane Ashstead needed to be brought back to the Local Committee on 4/3/15 and John Lawlor explained full LC approval was required for the design.

Hazel Watson reminded officers about the site meeting promised ref: 10/09/14-C and Helyn Clack received an update re; line 2 page 22.

It was agreed that the actions marked 'complete' could be removed from the tracker.

**36/14 ALLEGED PUBLIC FOOTPATH BETWEEN REIGATE ROAD AND FOOTPATH 56, DORKING (OTHER COUNTY COUNCIL FUNCTIONS) [Item 7]**

**Declarations of Interest**

None

**Officer attending**

Andrew Saint

**Petitions, Public Questions and Statements**

None

**Member discussion – key points**

Cllr Valerie Homewood suggested that, if it was agreed that no public rights of way was to be recognised over this route, then a sign was erected on the land to indicate the location of a public footpath close by. The officer agreed to write to the landowner with this proposal.

The Local Committee resolved to agree:

- (i) No public rights of way are recognised over the route shown A-D-B-C on drawing no. 3/1/50/H49 and that the application for an MMO under

section 53 and 57 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to modify the DMS by the addition of a public footpath is not approved.

- (ii) In the event of the County Council being directed to make an MMO by the Secretary of State following an appeal by the claimant, the County Council as surveying authority should adopt a neutral stance at any resulting inquiry or hearing or while the matter is being considered by written representations.

Reason for decision: The County Council has a duty under Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (WCA 1981) to modify the Definitive Map and Statement (DMS) if it discovers evidence which on balance supports a modification. In this instance the evidence does not support the making of a MMO.

### **37/14 HIGHWAYS FORWARD PROGRAMME (EXECUTIVE FUNCTION) [Item 8]**

#### **Declarations of Interest**

None

#### **Officer attending**

John Lawlor, Peter Shimadry

#### **Petitions, Public Questions and Statements**

None

#### **Member discussion – key points**

Members asked for detail on the progress of the current years spend, requested clarification of the £10,000 budget allocation for 20 mph outside schools and the £5,000 budget allocation for signs and road markings and assurance that the divisional Member is included in discussions when funding is vired between schemes.

The Area Highways Manager explained the Chairman receives a monthly budget report, but he could send it to Members too or that he would be happy to discuss the detail spend with Members outside the meeting. He clarified that the allocation for the 20 mph outside schools was to make the 3 pilot schemes permanent, that the £5,000 for signs/markings was for emergencies and confirmed that the divisional Member is included in decisions about the virement of funding.

The Local Committee resolved to agree to:

#### General

- (i) Note that it has been assumed that the Local Committee's devolved highways budget for capital, revenue and Community Enhancement works for 2015/16 remains the same as for 2014/15, at £650,776;
- (ii) Authorise that the Area Team Manager, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman be able to amend the programme should the devolved budget vary from this amount;

#### Capital Improvement Schemes (ITS)

- (iii) Agree that the capital improvement schemes allocation for Mole Valley be used to progress the Integrated Transport Schemes programme set out in Annex 1;
- (iv) Authorise that the Area Team Manager, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman, be able to vire money between the schemes agreed in Annex 1, if required;

#### Capital Maintenance Schemes (LSR)

- (v) Agree that the capital maintenance schemes allocation for Mole Valley be divided equitably between County Councillors to carry out Local Structural Repair, and that the schemes to be progressed be agreed by the Area Team Manager in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman and local divisional Members.

#### Revenue Maintenance

- (vi) Authorise the Area Maintenance Engineer, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman and relevant local divisional Member, to use £100,000 of the revenue maintenance budget for 2015/16 as detailed in Table 2 of this report;
- (vii) Agree that if the £5,000 per County Councillor allocated from the revenue maintenance budget for Highways Localism Initiative works is not distributed by the end of October 2015, the monies revert to the relevant Members Community Enhancement allocation;
- (viii) Agree that the remaining £152,110 of the revenue maintenance budget be used to fund minor maintenance works throughout Mole Valley as identified by the Area Maintenance Engineer, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman and relevant local divisional Member;

#### Community Enhancement Fund

- (ix) Agree that the Community Enhancement Funding is devolved to each County Councillor based on an equitable allocation of £5,000 per division; and
- (x) Agree that Members should contact the Area Maintenance Engineer to discuss their specific requirements with regard to their Community Enhancement allocation and arrange for the work activities to be managed by the Area Maintenance Engineer on their behalf.

Reason for decision: To agree a forward programme of highways works in Mole Valley for 2015/16 – 2016/17, funded by the Local Committee's devolved budget.

### **38/14 MOLE VALLEY PARKING REVIEW (EXECUTIVE FUNCTION) [Item 9]**

#### **Declarations of Interest**

None

**Officer attending**

David Curl, Steve Clavey

**Petitions, Public Questions and Statements**

Mr Carr (Leatherhead RA) spoke with reference to the proposed parking restriction (drawing 14) junction Levett Rd and Copthorne Rd. He believes that the bus could change its route and/or a smaller bus could be used.

The Parking officer agreed to contact the Passenger Transport Group, which had requested the new parking restriction because the bus companies had reported issues.

**Member discussion – key points**

Members suggested some amendments to the proposals in the report and also some additional schemes as detailed below:

**Leatherhead and Fetcham East – Tim Hall**

Waterfields  
Haslemere Close  
Barnett Close  
Copthorne Rd  
Belmont Rd  
Sunmead Parade (if restrictions don't already exist)  
Garlands Rd

**Ashstead- Chris Townsend**

Harriots Lane – extension to proposals  
Old Court  
Oakfield Road – new request to amend existing restrictions  
Drawing 3 – amendment to times on Park Lane  
Drawing 4 – extension to proposals  
Drawing 11 – extend proposals Leatherhead Rd junction Uplands

**Dorking Hills – Hazel Watson**

Boxhill Rd  
Junction St John's Rd/The Burrell – proposals to be reduced  
Pixham Lane junction Pixham Grove  
Furlong Rd, Westcott  
Old London Rd, Mickleham  
Station Road, Dorking – extend yellow lines up to drive of no. 1 from Curtis Road.

**Dorking and the Holmwoods- Stephen Cooksey**

South St, Dorking up to the junction Horsham Rd  
Warwick Rd/Buckingham Rd/Norfolk Rd

**Bookham and Fetcham West- Clare Curran**

Drawing 25 – Eastwick Drive, Bookham – extension to proposal  
Drawing 27 – Griffin Way  
Drawing 28 – The Garstons – extend line closer to no. 1  
Drawing 29 – Solecote – extend line up to cul de sac  
Drawing 45 – High St, Bookham – existing restriction shown in wrong location

The Local Committee resolved to agree to:

- (i) The recommendations detailed in Annex 1 and 2;
- (ii) That the County Council's intention to make an order under the Road Traffic Regulation act 1984 be advertised and, if no objections are maintained, the order be made;
- (iii) To allow the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team manager to make minor alterations to the proposals in Annex 1 and 2 if necessary prior to statutory advert in consultation with the local Member and Chairman/Vice Chairman.
- (iv) That if objections are received the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team Manager is authorised to try and resolve them, in consultation with the Chairman / Vice Chairman of this committee and the County Councillor for the division, decides whether or not they should be acceded to and therefore whether the order should be made, with or without modifications.
- (v) That in relation to the Rothes Road residents parking scheme, and other permit schemes in Dorking, the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team Manager in consultation with the Parking Task Group investigate options to include 'local worker' or business permits in the statutory advertisement.
- (vi) **The additional locations to be confirmed by officers in consultation with the divisional Member and the Chairman/Vice Chairman of the Local Committee.**

Reason for decision: to improve road safety and access to businesses, increase access for emergency and service vehicles, better regulate parking and ease traffic congestion.

#### **39/14 ON-STREET PARKING ENFORCEMENT (SERVICE MONITORING & ISSUES OF LOCAL CONCERN) [Item 10]**

##### **Declarations of Interest**

None

##### **Officer attending**

David Curl

##### **Petitions, Public Questions and Statements**

None

##### **Member discussion – key points**

None

The Local Committee resolved to agree to:

- (i) note the contents of the report.

#### **40/14 CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE - EARLY HELP (EXECUTIVE FUNCTION) [Item 11]**

##### **Declarations of Interest**

Tim Hall left the room.

##### **Officer attending**

Absent

**Petitions, Public Questions and Statements**

None

**Member discussion – key points**

The Chairman of the Youth Task Group, Chris Townsend, confirmed the group was happy with the areas and issues identified and comfortable with the work being carried out.

The Local Committee resolved to agree to:

- (i) Approve the local priorities (Annex 1), to be considered by providers, focusing on the identified needs of Mole Valley and the geographical neighbourhoods prioritised by the Youth Task Group.
- (ii) Note the changes to the council scheme of delegation which provides increased decision making to local commissioning in relation to youth work and Surrey Outdoor Learning (SOLD).

Reason for decision: Local Prevention has been in place across Mole Valley since 1 April 2012. It has contributed significantly to the reduction in young people becoming Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET). It is therefore recommended that this early help commission is re-commissioned for 2015-20.

**41/14 MEMBERS' ALLOCATION (EXECUTIVE FUNCTION) [Item 12]**

**Declarations of Interest**

None

**Officer attending**

Cheryl Poole

**Petitions, Public Questions and Statements**

None

**Member discussion – key points**

The Chairman encouraged Members to process their allocations as soon as possible, but also spend it appropriately.

The Local Committee resolved to agree to note:

- (i) the amounts that have been spent from the Members' Allocation and Local Committee capital budgets, as set out in Annex 1 of this report.

Meeting ended at: 3.47 pm

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**Chairman**

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SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL  
LOCAL COMMITTEE (MOLE VALLEY)



DATE: 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2014

LEAD OFFICER: Cheryl Poole  
Community Partnership & Committee Officer

SUBJECT: Written public questions

DIVISION: Mole Valley

**1. Question from Mr Peter Seaward (Bookham RA):**

Could we (the Bookhams Residents Association) have an update from SCC Highways on progress on the main Highways flood issues to the east of Bookham? Highways have been concentrating on three areas. Firstly alleviation of flooding arising at the junction of Chapel Lane (BOAT) and the Dorking Road where we understand discussion with land owners has taken place. The second is the issue caused along the Dorking Road due to inadequate gulley and soakaway maintenance. The third linked problem is flooding along this eastward line is at the northern end of East Street and Lower Road. Here flooding causes severe problems to pedestrians and children as well as damage to property.

All three topics are documented and reported to SCC with two being listed and accepted by SCC as official Wet Spots.

**Response from SCC Highways:**

Junction of Chapel Lane (BOAT) and the Dorking Road

Ongoing discussions are taking place with landowners concerning the flooding issue in Dorking Road, Bookham at the junction with Chapel Lane. Unfortunately, until a resolution can be found no further action can be taken to progress the scheme at this time.

Dorking Road

Maintenance works have recently been carried out on a number of road gullies in Dorking Road and eight jammed grids have been repaired or replaced by the County Council's contractors. This work will be followed up shortly with the gully cleaner to ensure these are all working correctly.

Soakaway cleansing was carried out earlier this year during the summer and a further cleansing will be included on a future soakaway programme where necessary following the gully maintenance works.

Lower Road/East Street

Lower Road at the junction of East Street, Bookham is included in the investigation work of the Bookham Flood Forum and CCTV drainage investigation has been

carried out. The data is currently being analysed to determine the cause of the flooding in this area. The Maintenance Engineer will keep the Local Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman, who is also the local divisional Member, and the Bookham Flood Forum advised of progress.

**2. Question from Mr Michael Agius (Bookham RA):**

Could the Bookhams Residents Association [BRA] have an update from SCC Highways on progress in finding solutions to the serious highways flood issues identified last winter to the west of Bookham at The Lower Road Recreational Ground and at the Manor House Lane junction? These areas are on the main footway/cycleway from Bookham to The Howard of Effingham School and flooding earlier in the year resulted in serious safety concerns, as children had to walk in the road over many months.

With winter already upon us, BRA are concerned that flooding at these two locations will once again result in safety issues. Whilst we would hope that long term solutions could be put in place at an early opportunity, we would, at the very least, hope that some immediate work could be carried out to improve the situation at both locations.

**Response from SCC Highways:**

In response to last winter's flooding, the County Council are progressing two capital schemes in Lower Road, Bookham, the first at the junction with Manor House Lane and the other at the recreation ground.

Initial site investigations at both sites have been completed and very recently CCTV surveys have been carried out into the existing surface water drainage systems at these locations. The results of the CCTV surveys will be examined as a part of the feasibility and design process. Once this has been completed, the Maintenance Engineer will update the Local Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman, who is also the local divisional Member and the Bookham Flood Forum on the way forward for these sites.

The Maintenance Engineer would be happy to discuss any possible cost effective immediate/short term actions at both the sites with the Bookham Residents' Association and the divisional Member.

**3. Question from Mr Peter Browne (resident):**

**Ashtead to Leatherhead Cycle Path**

The written report and supporting oral presentation by officers to the last meeting of the Local Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> September about this cycle path scheme contained a number of significant inaccuracies in respect of the scope, and of the nature, of the scheme. The inaccuracies are such that neither the report nor the discussion can stand uncorrected on the public record. I therefore ask that officers provide a corrective statement, or corrected report, for the scheme, together with an associated updated cost report based on the final account due to be completed by 30<sup>th</sup> November and a statement on the likely cost implications of the safety audit which was conducted during the week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> November.

**Response from Jason Russell (SCC Assistant Director – Highways & Transport):**

We do not consider that the written report and supporting oral presentation by officers to the Local Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> September, contained a number of significant inaccuracies in respect of the scope, and of the nature, of the scheme. As such we will not be providing a corrective statement or corrected report.

We have undertaken remedial works to address a couple of issues identified on the scheme, and following completion of these works a Safety Audit has been carried out. The final audit report has not yet been shared with the Highways Project Team, however our preliminary understanding is that no material concerns have been highlighted. Any safety issues that are raised in the audit will be addressed. The final account is currently being agreed and will be subject to the recommendations from the Safety Audit, however initial assessment confirms the scheme is on budget and as based on the forecast provided to the Local Committee in September. The final account should be ready in early December.

**4. Question from Mike Ward (resident):**

The report on Project Horizon to the Committee held on 5 March 2014 stated that re-surfacing of the stretch of Newdigate Road from the Beare Green roundabout to Trigg Street is due for completion in the financial year 2014-5. Please confirm the expected start and completion dates and whether any road closures will be required and if so, when and for how long?

**Response from SCC Highways:**

The Newdigate Road works have been deferred to 2015.

The design team has highlighted essential drainage and kerb issues that will need to be addressed prior to the surfacing works taking place. These works are being coordinated with the local maintenance team, and will be actioned as soon as possible.

Also following the carriageway assessment, and our laboratory core results, a significant quantity of tar was found in the construction layers of the road. Disposing of this material is particularly cost prohibitive, and as such is one of the main reasons why roads constructed with this material, have had to be deferred in the short term. Surrey and its contractor partners have been looking into several options to reduce these costs, and as such need to coordinate works together to give the best value to Surrey.

Any proprietary works will be carried out this year, and therefore the main resurfacing scheme will now be planned for 2015.

The programme is currently being finalised, and we will advise of the proposed date as soon as available. However we anticipate resurfacing will commence in the first quarter of our 2015/ 16 programme.

**5. Question from Robin Todd (resident Chalkpit Lane):**

Could the residents of Chalkpit Lane, Little Bookham please have an update on the following long standing maintenance issue?

- ***Drainage maintenance at the junction of Chalkpit Lane with the Guildford Road (A246).*** Despite the existence of five drains in the area there is significant flooding every time there is heavy rain. Some work has been carried out on the drains in the last few days but, as usual, as soon as there is more rain the flooding returns. Clearly whatever is done has no effect. When will the drains be properly cleared and what arrangements for ongoing maintenance are proposed?

**Response from SCC Highways:**

Drainage Maintenance

The drains (road gullies) in the entrance to Chalkpit Lane and the old highways depot have been cleaned out recently. These were last attended on Monday 24th November after the removal of the materials at the depot entrance.

In the past the gullies have been dealt with on a reactive basis. However they will now be included on the asset register and be included on a regular cyclic clean.

In the meantime the Maintenance Engineer will arrange for the outlet pipes to be checked and the situation monitored to check effectiveness.

**6. Question from Christine Matthews (resident Chalkpit Lane):**

Could the residents of Chalkpit Lane, Little Bookham please have an update on the following long standing maintenance issue?

- ***Surface maintenance of that part of Chalkpit Lane used by the residents to access their properties.*** It is understood that Chalkpit Lane is classified as a BOAT and that generally there are limited requirements on the Authorities regarding maintenance of the surface. However, given that all the residents pay the top rate of Council Tax they feel that they should be able to access their properties without causing damage to their vehicles. Can some way be found to improve the surface of that part of the Lane that leads to the residential properties?

**Response from SCC Highways:**

Surface Maintenance

The surface maintenance of Chalkpit Lane is currently the subject of a formal complaint to Surrey Highways. A response to this question could prejudice the current complaint investigation. A formal response will be provided to the complainant from the independent complaints team in due course. Once resolved, a copy of the formal response will be sent to the Local Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman, who is also the divisional Member

**SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**LOCAL COMMITTEE (MOLE VALLEY)**



**DATE:** 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2014

**LEAD OFFICER:** Cheryl Poole  
Community Partnership & Committee Officer

**SUBJECT:** Member questions

**DIVISION:** Mole Valley

**Questions from Mr Tim Hall:**

1. Could the Highways Department please give a time scale for the provision of new gully drains, the removal of roots and blockages in Cannon Way, Fetcham especially around 6 and 18 Cannon Way, as this has added to the flooding in this road for a number of years?

**Response from SCC Highways:**

Cannon Way, Fetcham

The Cannon Way drainage investigation and repairs (at numbers 6 and 18 Cannon Way) are programmed for Wednesday 10th December. It is likely the work will take approximately five days to complete.

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2. When will the Highways Department be putting in a new gully drain near the Plough Pub on the Kingston Road. This was promised several years ago and there is no sign of any work progressing on this vital school route.

**Response from SCC Highways:**

Kingston Road, Leatherhead

Work is progressing on the feasibility and design solution for the additional drainage required at Kingston Road near the Plough Pub. The Maintenance Engineer will keep the local divisional Member informed of progress and likely timescale for the works.

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3. Could I ask what communication there should be from Operation Horizon to the Local Members and Community on Operation Horizon Implementation at crucial areas like the Cobham Road, Fetcham. Particularly if the project over runs and the road is closed again without warning.

**Response from SCC Highways:**

## Operation Horizon

All communications for Operation Horizon works should be carried out in accordance with the agreed Customer Stakeholder Engagement Plan. The plan includes a matrix showing lead in times for residents' letters to be sent out, advance signs erected on site etc, with timescales set according to the road usage and site/location considerations.

Councillors should receive all information that will be available to the public. In addition, Members' bulletins are published twice monthly, providing a summary of works that impact on each District or Borough.

With regards to communications when a scheme overruns, the advance signs should be changed to show the revised dates and, if the overrun is more than a few days, residents should receive a further letter advising them of the revised timescales. This is particularly relevant when the works involve a road closure.

If there are specific issues with the communication process for the resurfacing works in Cobham Road, then the Operation Horizon team would be pleased to discuss this separately with Councillor Hall.

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### **Question from Cllr Haque:**

1. Residents of Oswald Road, Oswald Close, and Cock Lane, Fetcham are having to cope with intolerable and sometimes unsafe roads conditions which were due to be resurfaced a few years ago. Unfortunately the project Horizon did not find it necessary to prioritize the work to avoid any distress caused to the residents.

Cock Lane is now starting to subside on a large area on one side of the road and subsidence has started to spread increasingly to other parts of the road as well. Unless work starts soon the whole road is in danger of collapsing. In view of the escalating potential threat to these roads, may I urge the Local Committee to use any emergency funds which may be within the Local Committees discretion to be made available as they think fit so that this long awaited resurfacing work can start sooner rather than later?

### **Response from SCC Highways:**

Oswald Road, Oswald Close, Cock Lane and Penrose Road Fetcham have been identified for resurfacing as a part of the Operation Horizon, the County's five year major resurfacing programme.

Cock Lane and Penrose Road were originally identified for year one. Unfortunately there are particular ground condition issues associated with these sites. The roads were therefore deferred pending completion of a suitable design solution. A revised programme will be agreed with members once the design is completed.

In addition, drainage issues in Cock Lane and Penrose Road have been highlighted by the Flood Forum and investigations carried out. A number of drainage repairs

have been completed to road gully connections in Cock Lane and one further issue is still under investigation in Penrose Road.

Oswald Road and Oswald Close have been identified for works during years 3 to 5 and the updated programme will be advised in due course as year 3 works are confirmed.

In the meantime, Surrey Highways will continue to inspect and deal with any dangerous defects that may occur on all these roads and would encourage residents to report such defects via the County's website to enable appropriate action to be carried out.

**Questions from Mr Stephen Cooksey:**

1. In August 2013 I submitted a request that the yorkstone paving stones destroyed by various contractors in Dorking High Street and 'temporarily' replaced by tarmac but never subsequently reinstated, should be replaced in the original material and was given an assurance that this work would take place and that funding was available to do this. That assurance was repeated in answers to written questions to Local Committee in December 2013, March 2014, June 2014 and September 2014. However no work has yet been undertaken. Could I be informed of the dates scheduled for beginning and completing this work?

**Response from SCC Highways:**

The materials have now been procured and have been delivered to Beare Green Depot. The works to repair the various sections of "missing" Yorkstone footway paving on the South Side of Dorking High Street will commence shortly and it is anticipated the work will be completed by end of December.

The Maintenance Engineer will keep the Local Committee Chairman, Vice-Chairman and local divisional member informed of progress.

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2. Work has been undertaken to resolve the flooding problems at the Deepdene Roundabout but does not appear to have been completed. Could I be informed when this work will be completed and the verges re-instated and whether this work is sufficient to resolve the flooding problems on both the North and South sides of the A25 in the vicinity of the roundabout?

**Response from SCC Highways:**

The appropriate drainage officer is not available to respond to this question. A full response will be provided to the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and divisional Member on his return from leave.

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3. Some months ago the Local Committee approved a parking scheme for Dorking High Street with the aim of preventing indiscriminate parking and improving safety. The Committee was informed at the time of approval that this would be brought forward for public consultation as quickly as possible. Would you please inform me

why the scheme has not yet been submitted for public consultation after so many months and when it is planned for the consultation to be undertaken?

**Response from SCC Highways:**

Since the committee first approved proposals in Dorking and Leatherhead town centres it has been necessary to carry out further consultation with businesses and stakeholders in Leatherhead to finalise proposals for consultation. This is now complete and so it is intended to start statutory consultation in early January with the intention of reporting comments and objections to the March committee meeting. Preparations for the current parking review and the Rothes Road resident parking consultation in recent months have also called on parking team resources and had an impact on the progress of this work.

In addition to the normal statutory advert for these proposals we intend to inform local businesses and residents in the vicinity by a letter drop and street notices. All the information will be available to view during the consultation period on the council's web pages and at the local library/civic centre.

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4. Two weeks ago a report appeared in the Dorking Advertiser highlighting a hole that had appeared in the high pavement in Dorking High Street. When this occurred it was simply covered with a yellow plastic cover and has been left in that condition for a long period of time. Now the pavement around the hole is beginning to disintegrate leaving a potentially dangerous situation. Would you please inform me why no action has been taken to repair the pavement at this point and when it is anticipated that repairs will be undertaken?

**Response from SCC Highways:**

When originally reported the defect was made safe with the footway board. Initially the defect was believed to be related to utility apparatus or reinstatement failure. Subsequent research indicated this was not the case. The Maintenance Engineer has therefore raised a job to have an excavation carried out and a thorough investigation into the suspected void. This work will be carried out within the next month and the cause rectified.

**Question from Cllr Rosemary Dickson:**

Would it be possible to amend the road sign at the cul de sac off the Oxshott Road (near Tesco) to read No Through Road or Cul de Sac?

Large vehicles are going down there thinking they can take a short cut to Oaklawn Road but find they are stuck with no turning space. The residents are getting very tired of this.

It should be possible, even possibly using a transfer (in red) saying that there is no way through. This might be cheaper than a new sign. Something needs to be done.

Officers can arrange for a Cul de Sac sign to be installed at the junction of the D2866 Oxshott Road with the A244 Oxshott Road, Leatherhead. This could be funded from the Local Committee's ITS allocation for signs and road markings,

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