

Minutes of the meeting of the  
**Guildford LOCAL COMMITTEE**  
held at 7.00 pm on 13 December 2017  
at Council Chamber, Guildford Borough Council, Millmead House, Millmead,  
Guildford, Surrey, GU2 4BB.

**Surrey County Council Members:**

- \* Mr Keith Taylor (Chairman)
- Mr Mark Brett-Warburton
- \* Mr Graham Ellwood
- Mrs Julie Iles
- \* Mr Matt Furniss
- Mrs Angela Goodwin
- Mr David Goodwin
- Mrs Marsha Moseley
- \* Mrs Fiona White
- Mr Keith Witham

**Borough / District Members:**

- Borough Cllr Paul Spooner (Vice-Chairman)
- Cllr David Bilbe
- \* Cllr Nils Christiansen
- \* Borough Councillor Nigel Kears
- Borough Councillor Julia McShane
- \* Borough Councillor Tony Phillips
- \* Borough Councillor Mike Piper
- Borough Councillor David Reeve
- Borough Councillor David Wright

\* In attendance

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**17/17 OPEN FORUM - PUBLIC QUESTIONS [Item 1]**

Nigel Burke from the Guildford Bicycle User Group asked an informal question.

He said that the group was supportive of the Sustainable Movement Corridor but commented that a significant proportion of the investment will be going into the road infrastructure to assist car users which can increase traffic.

Have you considered prioritising active travel modes such as walking and cycling at all locations at once rather than doing the work in stages such as walking and cycling?

The Transport Strategy Project Manager responded that:

The additional capacity created by the work on the roads and junctions will help bus movements as well general traffic. The works to the Tesco round about are being prioritised at the moment, active travel will be prioritised as

much as possible and the walking/cycling route between the Surrey Research Park and Guildford Station is also being improved. We cannot treat the entire route because if we widen the path on Gill Avenue we would need to dig this up later when we come to widen the road.

Members commented that air quality and traffic fumes were a concern and asked whether it was possible to do the whole thing in one go. Members also stated that it was important to encourage people to use the buses, that the Tesco round about works were a good idea and would hopefully help with air quality.

#### **18/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE [Item 2]**

Apologies were received from Councillors: Keith Witham, Angela Goodwin, David Goodwin, Julie Iles, Mark Brett-Warburton, Marsha Moseley, David Reeve, Julia McShane and Paul Spooner who had been delayed at another meeting.

#### **19/17 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING [Item 3]**

The Guildford Local Committee agreed the draft minutes as a true reflection of the previous meeting.

#### **20/17 DECISION TRACKER (FOR INFORMATION) [Item 4]**

The report was provided to update Members on progress with Decisions made by the Local Committee. The Chairman and Vice- Chairman had recently updated it to ensure that it was still relevant.

#### **21/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST [Item 5]**

There were no declarations of interest of made.

#### **22/17 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS [Item 6]**

The Chairman updated Members that the deadline for Members Allocation bids had been extended to the 31 January 2018, but encouraged Members to work with organisations putting in funding applications to submit them to the Support Officer in good time.

#### **23/17 PETITIONS [Item 7]**

No petitions had been received.

#### **24/17 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME [Item 8]**

No public questions had been received.

#### **25/17 MEMBER QUESTION TIME [Item ]**

One Member question had been received from Councillor Adrian Chandler, Guildford Borough Council, on behalf of a member of the public concerning maintaining roadside trees. The question and response were sent out as a Supplementary Agenda. The member of the public thanked the Highways officers for a full response.

**26/17 ANNUAL PARKING REPORT (EXECUTIVE FUNCTION FOR DECISION)  
[Item 10]**

Members considered the Annual Parking report which presented the performance of all parking services and made recommendations to change a number of on street restrictions to support expansion of the car club and improve traffic flow.

**The Local Committee (Guildford) agreed:**

- (i) to note the contents of Annexe 1 the Parking Annual Report for 2016-17
- (ii) formally advertise its intention to create an amendment order to convert the four bays referred to in paragraph 2.7 and shown in Annexe 2 in to bays for use by a car club car at any time. To also agree that if there are objections to the proposals which cannot be resolved that these are determined by the Parking Manager in consultation with the Chair, Vice Chair and Divisional Member but if there are no objections that the order is made.
- (iii) to agree to advertise formally the proposal to create an amendment order for further no waiting at any time restrictions in Chinthurst Lane as set out in paragraph 2.14 and Annexe 3. To also agree that if there are objections to the proposals which cannot be resolved that these are determined by the Parking Manager in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair but if there are no objections that the order is made.

**REASONS:**

To provide alternatives to individual car ownership and allow access.

**27/17 LEP LGF3 TRANSPORT SCHEMES IN GUILDFORD INCLUDING  
OUTCOME OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON SUSTAINABLE MOVEMENT  
CORRIDOR: WEST (EXECUTIVE FUNCTION) [Item 11]**

The report presented the package of projects which was introduced at the previous Local Committee on 19 September 2017. It was proposed that the projects are consulted on with the public in January 2018, with the exception of the Sustainable Movement Corridor: West (SMC West) which has already been consulted on in September 2017, in order to enable that project to commence sooner. These works will be primarily funded by the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership (EM3 LEP) with match funding from Guildford Borough Council, the Environment Agency and other sources. The results of the public consultation on the SMC West transport project and the recommended elements which are to be included in the LEP bid were also described in the report.

Members thanked the Transport Strategy Project Manager and team for their hard work and everybody that engaged with the (SMC West) consultation. Members commented that timing is important in order to link all the transport improvements together. Members also commented that the projects will give people more transport options and they will not need to use their cars especially those going to and from the Surrey Research Park and Guildford Train Station.

The Transport Strategy Project Manager responded that:

The projects will give people more transport options and there will be less reliance on private car use especially those going to the Surrey Research Park, the University of Surrey and the Town Centre.

It was raised whether there was any possibility of a link from the A3 to the Research Park. The Transport Strategy Project Manager informed Members that Highways England aren't keen on adding a junction however improvements being made will help to get traffic off A3. The Chairman informed the committee that as the LEP projects consultation will start on 8 January 2018 and the Transportation Task Group are to view and agree the consultation material, prior to consultation they will deal with this by e-mail.

**The Local Committee (Guildford) agreed to:**

- (i) Acknowledge the results of the public consultation on the Sustainable Movement Corridor West.
- (ii) Propose that the recommended measures for the Sustainable Movement Corridor: West are taken forward to business case submission.
- (iii) Note that the proposed consultation period for the remaining schemes commences in January 2018 and agree that the Area Highways Manager in consultation with the Transportation Task Group and the Project Manager (Transport Policy) view and agree the consultation material, prior to consultation.

**REASONS:**

To enable Members to assess the public response on the SMC West project and provide their feedback and approval of the content of the project for a Business case application to the EM3 LEP be submitted.

To enable Members to share the information with constituents during the consultation period.

**28/17 HIGHWAYS UPDATE (FOR INFORMATION ONLY) [Item 12]**

The report provided an update on the 2017/18 programme of highway improvement and maintenance works funded by this committee. It also provided an update on other centrally funded projects being promoted in the local area. The updates in the report included: the trial at Walnut Tree Close, Tunsgate highway works, planned works to B3000 New Pond Road Railway Bridge, Compton, the A31 Farnham Road Railway Bridge and the passenger facilities building at Onslow Park and Ride site.

The Local Committee (Guildford):

- (i) noted the capital works completed and expenditure to date.
- (ii) noted the ongoing revenue works being carried out.

Reasons:

The committee is not asked to make any decisions at this meeting, rather the report gives an update of progress on highway works in the current financial year.

**29/17 FORWARD PLAN (FOR INFORMATION) [Item 13]**

Members noted the Forward Plan of reports.

The Chairman informed Members that he had an offer from Highways England to attend another meeting in the early new year to update on the proposals and consultation for the Wisley junction of the M3, Members were in support of them coming along.

The Members asked the Chairman to speak up for the Local Committee Highways Funding with the Cabinet as they felt that this was a good use of resident's money.

Meeting ended at: 7.25 pm

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**Chairman**