

Decision Notice

Committee: Spelthorne Joint Committee

Date of meeting: Wednesday, 23 March 2020 (cancelled) Urgent decisions made by officers in consultation with Committee members

These decisions were taken in accordance with the Remote Meetings Protocol which was approved by the Council on 17 March 2020 (minute 18/20a). This protocol sets out how Surrey County Council will operate executive and non-executive decision making in light of the coronavirus situation in line with agreed delegations at the 17 March 2020 Council meeting. The Protocol was agreed to react to the current reality where the Council should not hold physical meetings, whilst ensuring that the business of the Council can proceed as best as possible, including making decisions as effectively and as far as possible, openly.

The following decisions were taken under delegation by virtue of: Scheme of Delegation Part 3 – Specific Delegation to Officers EAI16
Only matters requiring an urgent decision are recorded below, all other items on the agenda where the matter is not urgent will be referred to a future meeting if appropriate.

Note: Decisions in **bold** type indicate a decision differing from the recommendation in the report.

9	HIGHWAYS UPDATE (EXECUTIVE FUNCTION)	<p>Decision taken under delegation by virtue of: Scheme of Delegation Part 3 – Specific Delegation to Officers EAI16</p> <p>Summary: Recommendations relating to the Highways Programme for 20/21 were made to Members of the Spelthorne Joint Committee in a Highways Update report that was published in line with legal guidelines ahead of the meeting and which can be found here: https://mycouncil.surreycc.gov.uk/documents/s66744/Highways%20Update%20SPE%20v2.pdf</p> <p>This report would have been considered at Committee's meeting of 23rd March 2020. This meeting was cancelled due to the outbreak of COVID-19. The subsequent decisions were made by the Delegated Officer, in consultation with committee</p>
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members, in accordance with the Remote Working protocols.

Decision made:

With reference to the recommendations in the *Highways Update* report:

- (i) Delegate authority to the Area Highways Manager to decide preferred option(s) for the Shepperton High Street ITS scheme, in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Divisional Member, and to undertake all necessary legal processes, to enable to enable this scheme to be delivered next Financial Year 2020-21
- (ii) Approve the advertisement of an extension of the Thames Street 20mph Zone to include the one-way sections of Church Street and Green Street, Lower Sunbury, to authorise the Area Highways Manager to consider any representations in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Divisional Member, and if there are no significant objections to implement the scheme.
- (iii) Delegate authority to the Area Highways Manager to decide preferred option(s) for the Walton Bridge Road, Shepperton ITS scheme, in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Divisional Member, to enable the scheme to move forwards through detailed design and consultation next Financial Year 2020-21.
- (iv) Delegate authority to the Area Highways Manager to decide preferred option(s) for the Chertsey Road ITS scheme, in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Divisional Member, to enable the scheme to move forwards through detailed design and consultation next Financial Year 2020-21.

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- (v) Authorise the Area Highway Manager in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman, and relevant Divisional Member(s) to undertake all necessary procedures to deliver the agreed programmes.

Subsequent to the cancellation of the meeting, there was considerable discussion by e-mail and telephone about which projects should be priorities for the 2020-21 capital ITS programme. **There was a consensus among Members to introduce a new project for feasibility, consultation and detailed design – this new project being to renew the rising bollards in Staines High Street which was brought about by a Members’ question from the Divisional Member for Staines and which has been published to the website as item 6.** Members were made aware that introducing a new project would mean other projects would need to be deferred. To conclude the discussion, the Area Highway Manager recommended the following programme:

For construction / implementation		
Shepperton High Street	Construction of pedestrian improvements.	£40,000
Lower Hampton Road, Sunbury	Implementation of speed management scheme to address persistent pattern of casualties.	£20,000
Church Street / Green Street, Lower Sunbury	Implementation of extension of 20mph Zone to start of one-way system	£10,000
For development, in order of priority		
1) Staines High Street Rising Bollard	Feasibility, detailed design, legal and consultation costs	£37,000 available in total

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<p>It is decided that this programme will be delivered in 2020-21.</p>															
<p><u>Reasons for Decision:</u></p>															
<p>1. This decision was made to allow the 20/21 programme to progress</p>															
<p>2. All Members of the Local Committee were given the opportunity to comment on the recommendations, the reasons for which are detailed in the respective reports. A number of Members expressed their support to the recommendations number with roman numerals above, which appeared in the original Highways Update report. No objections were raised to these</p>															

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		<p>recommendations.</p> <p>Members indicated their consensus to introduce a new project to renew the rising bollards in Staines High Street, being aware that starting this new project would mean other projects would need to be deferred. After some discussion, there were no objections to the programme recommended by the Area Highways Manager (shown above). Therefore it is decided to adopt this programme for 2020-21.</p> <p>Decision taken by: Nick Healey, Area Highway Manager (NE) Decision taken on: 20th April 2020 To be implemented on: Financial Year 2020-21</p> <p>Alternative options considered See referenced reports.</p> <p>Summary of any financial implications See referenced reports.</p> <p>Declarations of conflicts of interest None.</p> <p>Consultation/Process Followed Consultation by e-mail with all Members of the Spelthorne Joint Committee.</p> <p>Background Documents Not applicable.</p>
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