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Minutes of the meeting of the
Surrey HEATH LOCAL COMMITTEE
held at 6.30 pm on 5 December 2013
at St Andrews Church Hall, Sturt Road, Frimley Green, GU16 6HY

Surrey County Council Members:

- * Mr David Ivison (Chairman)
- Mr Bill Chapman
- * Mr Denis Fuller
- Mr Chris Pitt (Vice-Chairman)
- * Mr Adrian Page
- * Mr Mike Goodman

Borough / District Members:

- Cllr Vivienne Chapman
- * Cllr Rodney Bates
- * Cllr Valerie White
- Cllr Josephine Hawkins
- * Cllr Paul Innicki
- * Cllr Surrinder Gandhum

* In attendance

25/13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE [Item 1]

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bill and Vivienne Chapman, Chris Pitt and Josephine Hawkins.

26/13 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING [Item 2]

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 3rd October 2013 were reviewed. The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) agreed the minutes from the previous meeting.

27/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST [Item 3]

There were no declarations of interest.

28/13 PETITIONS [Item 4]

A petition was received from Mr Jeremy Wilson regarding traffic calming in The Avenue, Camberley and a report detailing work to date was included with the agenda pack.

Mr Wilson thanked Andrew Milne for the report and its contents. He believed that the Avenue and Southall Park Road would continue to be used for access to the Town Centre Car Parks even if the A30 were improved. Traffic would also still need to access the schools, and the real issue was speeding. He felt that 30mph was too high for the road. Members discussed lower speed limits but felt that they were unenforceable.

ITEM 2

The contents of the report were noted.

29/13 WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS [Item 5]

There were no written public questions.

30/13 WRITTEN MEMBER QUESTIONS [Item 6]

There were no written member questions.

31/13 LOCAL SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT FUND - CYCLE LINK BISLEY TO KNAPHILL [Item 7]

The county council in partnership with three borough councils were successful in obtaining over £18 million in grant funding from the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF), focused on Woking, Guildford and Redhill-Reigate.

Some of this work is not confined to the borough of Woking where a cycle route is planned to link Bisley to the existing Cycle Woking route at Knaphill.

The extended route though Bisley could use either existing off road shared routes and quiet streets, estimated at £8,500 or an off road route adjacent to the A322 between Clews Lane and School Close, estimated at £140,000. However, currently there is not sufficient funding available to carry out the A322 option.

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) agreed:

- 1) To adopt Option 2 as the official off road cycle route between Clews Lane and Church Road.
- 2) To Option 3, do nothing now, but retain the £8,500 developer contribution and put this towards creating the option 2 route at a later date.

32/13 HIGHWAYS UPDATE AND FORWARD PLAN 2014 / 2015 [Item 8]

The Local Committee received a report on progress made with the delivery of proposed highways schemes, developer funded schemes, and revenue funded works for the 2013/14 financial year. The report provided an update on the latest budgetary position for highway schemes, revenue maintenance and Community Enhancement expenditure, and proposed a plan for the 2014/15 programme of capital maintenance and ITS schemes.

The proposed plan for 2014/15 allocates the majority of funding towards the Toshiba / Frimley roundabout improvement scheme, which was agreed unanimously. If this scheme did not however go ahead, a proposed alternative list was discussed. The list would be supplementary to Highways works under Operation Horizon and included schemes recommended by engineers. Members agreed to look at this list and discuss the agreement of the schemes at a later date.

Members also discussed the expenditure on signage in the Borough. Traffic signs are subject to strict regulations and any change on these is subject to written permission from the Department of Transport.

An update was also given on the Red Road. Roundabouts may not be viable, so consultation is taking place with the Police regarding the introduction of average speed cameras. Figures show there have been no accidents reported since May 2013 and will continue to be monitored.

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) agreed to:

- 1) Note the progress with the ITS highways and developer funded schemes, and revenue funded works for the 2013/14 financial year,
- 2) Note the progress with budget expenditure,
- 3) Note that a further Highways Update will be brought to the next meeting of this Committee,
- 4) Agree the capital scheme and contingency plan proposals for 2014/15 (subject to a further informal meeting to ensure contingency priorities are still current) as shown in section 2.5 subject to the anticipated provision of capital budget.

33/13 FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE ANNUAL BOROUGH REPORT [Item 9]

The report outlined the major strands of activity being undertaken within the Surrey Heath area by the Surrey Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) teams based at Camberley and Chobham Fire Stations. Members discussed the report in detail, including coverage for strike action and preventative work with older people at risk. Members also queried work with young people (young citizen events and safe drive campaigns) which was supported and encouraged.

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) agreed to:

- 1) Recognise the achievements of the borough teams within the Surrey Heath Borough and support their commitment to improve initiatives to reduce risk and make the Surrey Heath Borough safer through the delivery of the borough/station plan.
- 2) Note the targets and initiatives set within the Surrey Heath borough plan for 2012/13 and support the Fire and Rescue Service in the delivery of this plan.
- 3) Support the achievements of the whole time/ retained duty personnel at Camberley and Chobham and acknowledge the availability offered by employers who release staff, and those who are self-employed.

34/13 FORWARD PLAN [Item 10]

The Forward Plan report is produced for each meeting of the Local Committee (Surrey Heath) so that members can review the forward plan. The reports that are currently anticipated will be received by the committee are outlined in paragraph 3.

ITEM 2

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) agreed to note the forward plan.

Meeting ended at: 7.55 pm

Chairman