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Minutes of the meeting of the  
**Epsom AND EWELL LOCAL COMMITTEE**  
held at 7.00 pm on 11 March 2013  
at Bourne Hall, Spring Street, Ewell KT17 1UF.

**Surrey County Council Members:**

- \* Mr David Wood (Chairman)
- \* Mr Chris Frost (Vice-Chairman)
- \* Mr Eber A Kington
- \* Mrs Jan Mason
- \* Mr Colin Taylor

**Borough / District Members:**

- \* Borough Councillor Michael Arthur
- \* Borough Councillor Ian Booker
- \* Borough Councillor Paul Arden Jones
- \* Borough Councillor Julie Morris
- \* Borough Councillor Jean Smith

\* In attendance

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**5/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS [Item 1]**

There were no apologies for absence or substitutions.

**6/12 WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTION TIME [Item 2]**

One question was received. The question and response is set out in Annex A.

It was agreed that the matter would be considered further under Item 9.

**7/12 ADJOURNMENT [Item 3]**

A number of members of the public attended, and four informal questions were put to the meeting. Answers were provided to the questions at the meeting.

**8/12 PETITIONS [Item 4]**

There was one petition received for this meeting. Details of the petition and the response from the Officers is set out in Annex B.

Dr Rahman spoke on behalf of the petitioners indicating that a crossing would be of benefit to everyone in the area as well as those attending the Islamic Centre. Parked cars in the vicinity of the Centre make it difficult to get a clear view of on-coming traffic which sometimes travels at considerable speed. The Centre is used by people of all ages. Installation of a crossing would improve

road safety and also act to slow traffic. Officers indicated that people should be encouraged to use the existing crossings at either end of the road and the local member indicated that he did not feel that this area would be a priority for a crossing from the limited resources that are available. The Committee noted the response and asked that highway officers meet with the petitioners to discuss the matter further.

#### **9/12 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING [Item 5]**

Confirmed as a correct record.

#### **10/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST [Item 6]**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **11/12 MEMBER QUESTION TIME [Item 7]**

9 questions were received. The questions and responses are set out in Annex C. The following supplementary question and answer was given at the meeting:

Question 1 – Mrs Mason queried when the pilot scheme with SGI began and when the evaluation will be provided. As no officers from the service were present a written reply will be provided.

Question 2 – Members did not feel that it was acceptable that an answer could not be provided within the timescale. The Chairman agreed to raise this with the officers concerned.

Question 4 – Mr Taylor queried whether permits would be issued for the bays in the future. It was noted that a consultation with residents in this area had indicated that they would not be prepared to pay for permits and so none would be issued at the current time.

Question 5 – The Highway Engineer reported that since the reply had been prepared he had been made aware that the work is currently out to tender and that work should start on site in the next 2 months. The developer would be pleased to erect cycle dismount signs as soon as the work commences.

Question 7 – Mr Taylor requested that consideration be given to installing bollards.

#### **12/12 DATA OVERVIEW OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF EPSOM AND EWELL [Item 8]**

It was reported that the main area for improvement within the Borough is with those children who are receiving free school meals or have previous low attainment levels.

The Committee was pleased that Epsom & Ewell schools were in general performing at above the County and national standards and requested that a press release be issued to publicise this.

Members requested information outside the meeting on the range of performance amongst schools and it was agreed that this would be provided.

Noted the report and congratulated local schools on their performance.

### **13/12 EPSOM AND EWELL PARKING / WAITING RESTRICTIONS (PHASE 7) REVIEW [Item 9]**

Noted that the layout of the bays in Church Street would be changed slightly as they are currently the wrong size, but they will remain in their current position.

Noted the following amendments to the Statement of Reasons: Drawings 63 & 64 "Beaconsfield Place" should read "Beaconsfield Road"; Drawing 32 – "Castle Parade" to be replaced by "Ewell By-pass"; Drawing 49 - text should include reference to East Street; Drawing 31 – text should make reference to bus stop clearways; Drawing 55 – second sentence of text should be deleted; Drawing 67 should be added under St Margaret's Drive.

In relation to map 13 the proposals in Chadacre Road and local concern that this could impact on Waverley Road were discussed. Recent suggestions had been put forward too late for inclusion and it was proposed that the parking officer should be asked to carry out a site visit and bring proposals to the Chairman and Local member for consideration. On a vote it was agreed 4 votes FOR to 1 AGAINST that the proposals in the report should be advertised for residents comments, but that exceptionally all residents in both roads should be informed of the proposals by letter to ensure that they are able to respond to the consultation on the proposals if they wish.

In relation to Drawing 49 it was proposed that this scheme should be deleted in order to protect the business of the small shop keepers. On a vote it was agreed that the scheme should be advertised as proposed (7 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 1 ABSTENTION]

**Resolved:** that

- i] the recommendations detailed in Annexe 1 of the report, with the exception of drawings 1, 7, 8, 13, 15, 18, 19, 23, 24, 30, 31, 44, 46, 50, 52, 55, 58, 66 where the changes to the Annex are detailed below:
  - a] Drawing 1 that the existing yellow lines in Kingsley Drive be changed to no waiting at any time.
  - b] Drawing 7 that restrictions proposed at the junction with Riverview Road should be moved to all sides of the junction with Tealing Drive (not shown on the drawing).
  - c] Drawing 8 that the double yellow lines proposed should be deleted across the parking bays outside the houses.
  - d] Drawing 13 that in view of the concerns of local residents that all properties in Chadacre Road and Waverley Road be sent a letter to make them aware of the proposals when they are advertised.
  - e] Drawing 15 that the existing double yellow lines at the junction of Lakehurst Road and Ewell Court Avenue be extended at all corners of the junction without interfering with vehicle cross overs.

- f] Drawing 18 that these proposals be deleted.
- g] Drawing 19 that double yellow lines be added in Ruxley Lane (in front of service road) to Gatley Avenue junction and on the other side of the junction to the pedestrian crossing. Also to the service road in front of the Kingfisher Pub (island side). That the Proposed restrictions alongside 166 Ruxley Lane into Gatley Avenue and all along Ruxley Lane be deleted. Wrap round to Cox Lane and all of Cox Lane restrictions to remain as shown. That the Parking Engineer redraws these proposals and checks with the local member to ensure these proposals meet the requirements and that the Parking Strategy and Implementation Manager be authorised to agree and further minor amendments.
- h] Drawing 23 that the double yellow lines be extended both sides to properties 1a and 2b.
- i] Drawing 24 that the double yellow lines be extended to Larch Crescent and along Chessington Road to driveway of 442 (Thomas Coaches). Also add double yellow lines from the pedestrian crossing down into Chessington Close and on for 10 metres both sides of the Close.
- j] Drawing 30 that the double yellow lines at the junction be extended to no.18
- k] Drawing 31 to remove the double yellow lines from the new bus stop clearway to the south of the access to Grange Mansions.
- l] Drawing 44 Temple Road, that the double yellow lines proposed be changed to single yellow lines Mon-Sat 7am – 8pm.
- m] Drawing 46 Waterloo Road, that these proposals should be defined in the key as No waiting Mon-Sun 7.00-9.30am and 4.30-6.30pm.
- n] Drawing 50 Mill Road, that the single yellow lines proposed on the railway side of the road be replaced with a curfew parking arrangement, the times of operation to be the same as those that apply at the junction with Bridge Road.
- o] Drawing 52 Grove Road, that restrictions of a double yellow line on one side and a single yellow line on the other Mon-Fri 8am-6pm be added to the consultation.
- p] Drawing 55 Chartwell Place, that these proposals be withdrawn, with the exception of the disabled bay, and a residents parking scheme be considered in the Phase 8 parking review.
- q] Drawing 58 Woodcote Park Road, that the proposals be extended to stop at the boundary between numbers 6 and 8 and advertised on the same basis as the restrictions on Hylands Close.
- r] Drawing 66 that double yellow lines on the bend in Thorndon Gardens (approximate number 15/20 to 28/29) be added to the proposals.

- s] That the Parking Engineer be asked to look at including waiting restrictions outside West Ewell Infant School in Ruxley Lane and if appropriate these be added to the proposals
  - t] That the yellow line put down in error outside 13 Arundel Avenue and then removed be added to the proposals for consultation.
  - u] That the removal of the existing yellow line around the garage and drive of 32 Marshalls Close be added to the proposals.
- 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] that if objections are received the Parking Strategy and Implementation Group Manager is authorised to try and resolve them.
  - iv] that if objections cannot be resolved, they are reported to a future meeting of the Local Committee for consideration and decision.

Reasons: It is expected that the implementation of the proposals will both increase the safe passage of vehicles and also ease the parking situation within the mainly residential areas.

#### **14/12 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT IN STATION APPROACH, EPSOM [Item 10]**

The Area Highways Team Manager reported that the consultation with local residents in the vicinity of Station Approach and station users had identified three areas of concern:

- Pedestrians were concerned at the proposal to remove the pedestrian crossing by the station entrance;
- There was too much space identified for hackney carriages; and
- There was insufficient space for pick up and drop off of passengers using private vehicles.

It was noted that the loading bays on the north side of Station Approach will be for off peak use only and at other times can be used for pick up and drop off and could be appropriately signed to allow stopping for either 5 or 10 minutes with no return within one hour or as agreed by Committee, in the peak period between 6.30 and 10.00 am and 4.30 and 8.00 pm. The second proposal would also allow for a pick up and drop off bay in one of the areas previously identified for hackney carriages.

It was noted that it had not been possible in the time from the end of the consultation period to look at the retention of the pedestrian crossing and possible alternatives. From a technical point of view it would be possible to retain the existing crossing, but this would reduce the space available for other users and require further consideration by the Working Group which would delay the implementation of any agreed scheme.

It was suggested that all Members of the Committee should be invited to attend working group meetings if they wished. On a vote this was defeated by 2 voted FOR to 3 AGAINST

It was proposed that Option 2 should be agreed but on a vote this was defeated by 4 voted FOR to 5 AGAINST it was therefore

**Resolved:** (5 voted FOR to 4 AGAINST)

That the results of the consultation be referred back to the Working Group to consider what amendments to the suggested layout should be incorporated and for the Working Group to report back to Committee in June 2013.

Reasons: in order to give more time to consider the results of the consultation and in particular the request for the retention of the existing crossing by the station entrance.

#### **15/12 HIGHWAYS UPDATE [Item 11]**

**Resolved:** That

the Area Team Manager be authorised, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to decide Divisional Programmes for next Financial Year, in the event that individual Divisional Members have not indicated their priorities by 31 March 2013.

Reason: To ensure that next Financial Year's Divisional programmes can be finalised in good time to facilitate timely delivery of those programmes.

#### **16/12 FLEXIBLE FORWARD PLAN [Item 12]**

Noted the flexible forward plan and agreed to cancel the informal meeting scheduled for 24 April.

#### **17/12 LOCAL COMMITTEE FUNDING [Item 13]**

Mr Kington indicated that he wished to reduce the amount allocated to the installation of a Borough notice board by 50% and there would be no reference to the County Council on the board. It was suggested that the County Council should not be funding Borough initiatives, but on a vote this was agreed by 3 votes FOR to 1 AGAINST. It was agreed that the 50% saved would be awarded to the Mead Infant School footpath.

**Resolved:**

- i] That the items recommended for funding from the Local Committee's 2012/13 Member Allocation funding, as set out in section 2 of the report and summarised below be agreed:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Relate Mid Surrey	Young Peoples Counselling at Epsom and Ewell High School	£1,468
Ruxley Church, Ruxley Lane, Ewell, Surrey	Ruxley Church & Community Centre (Fixtures And Fittings)	£2,000
Epsom & Ewell	Hogsmill Local Nature Reserve	£1,600

Borough Council	Improvement Project	
Epsom & Ewell Borough Council	Installation Of Borough Notice Board Outside Post Office In Ewell Court	£1,001.88
Epsom And Ewell Karate Club	Club Equipment	£1,000
Langley Vale Village Hall Association	Langley Vale Village Hall Flat Roof Replacement	£7,000
The Mead Infant School	New Footpath Parallel To Cudas Close	£7,186.12
Epsom Medical Equipment Fund	Funds For An Ultrasound For Epsom General Hospital	£1,317
Peer Productions	The Domestic Abuse Project	£1,300
Epsom And Ewell Business Forum	Ewell Village Christmas Lighting	£3,990
Surrey Highways	Installation Of New Lighting Column In Green Lanes, West Ewell	£3,000
Local Authority – Epsom & Ewell Borough Council	Green Flag Poles	£400

- ii] to note the expenditure previously approved by either the Community Partnerships Manager or the Community Partnerships Team Leader under delegated powers, as set out in section 4 of the report.
- iii] to note any returned funding and/or adjustments, as set out within the report and at Appendix 1 to the report.
- iv] to approve the re-allocation of £2,000 from Chris Frost's allocation previously awarded to Surrey Highways for the Anti-skid surface at Longdown Lane to fund two grit bins. One will be placed in Arundel Avenue and the other in Queensmead Avenue.
- v] that any remaining unallocated funding after all current bids have been processed should be allocated to the Mead Infant School footpath or additional green flag poles.

**18/12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING [Item 14]**

Monday 24 June 2013, 7.00pm Ewell Court House, Ewell Court.

The Chairman wished those County Councillors standing for re-election good luck and thanked those not returning for their contribution. The Committee thanked the Chairman for his work during the past year.

Meeting ended at: 10.35 pm

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**Chairman**