

# Minutes of a meeting of the Bradford West Area Committee held on 25 February 2015 at City Hall, Bradford

Commenced	1805
Adjourned	1843
Reconvened	1845
Concluded	1855

#### **PRESENT – Councillors**

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	BRADFORD
		INDEPENDENT GROUP
Sykes	Azam	Ahmed
	Dunbar	Collector
	Arshad Hussain	
	Mohammed	
	Thirkill	

Apologies: Councillors Shabir Hussain

Observer: Councillor Engel

#### **Councillor Arshad Hussain in the Chair**

#### 52. **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

No disclosures of interest in matters under consideration were received.

#### 53. MINUTES

#### Resolved -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 10 December 2014 be signed as a correct record.

ACTION: Assistant City Solicitor

#### 54. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

There were no appeals submitted by the public to review decisions to restrict documents.

#### 55. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no questions submitted by the public.





## 56. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS RECEIVED TO THE PROPOSAL TO INTRODUCE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON STONEY RIDGE ROAD AND STONEY RIDGE AVENUE, BRADFORD

Heaton

The report of the Strategic Director, Regeneration and Culture (**Document "AC"**) considered five objections to the recently advertised traffic calming scheme on Stoney Ridge Road and Stoney Ridge Avenue, Bradford. Four letters supporting the scheme were also considered.

The Principal Engineer was in attendance and gave a synopsis of the report.

A resident was present and was invited to make representations to the Committee. He was a resident of Stoney Hill Road and requested the implementation of traffic measures due to motorists exceeding the speed limit. The proposed road humps would not reduce the speed but significantly increase the noise level especially with HGVs driving through the street. The road would be better suited with an alternative option such as speed cameras and a weight limit.

A question and answer session ensued:

- What was the qualifying criteria to install speed cameras?
  - This was based on the number of serious accidents. For general fixed cameras there had to have been at least 4 accidents causing death or serious injury in the previous 5 years. On Stoney Ridge Road and Stoney Ridge Avenue there had been 8 injury collisions in the previous 5 years. Only one of those was serious therefore the criteria for safety cameras was not met;
- What kind of road humps were proposed?
  - There were various kinds of road humps and some generated significant noise levels therefore the humps proposed would not be as high and therefore the noise levels expected would not be occurring;
- Concerns were expressed to road humps and therefore could a chicane be a more viable option to alleviate residents' worries of noise levels?
  - Chicanes would have to be designed every 70 metres and a significant number would have to be installed on the road; and,
- What costs would entail in the implementation of the proposed Thermostatic Road Humps?
  - A total cost of £6,000.

The Committee was in agreement that the traffic measures proposed were suitable to meet the needs of safer road schemes, therefore:

#### Resolved -

- (1) That the objections be overruled and the traffic calming scheme as shown on drawing R/S/BW/102698/CON-2A, attached to Document "AC", be implemented as advertised.
- (2) That the objectors be informed accordingly.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Environment and Waste Management ACTION: Strategic Director, Regeneration and Culture

### 57. GREEN LANE, MANNINGHAM, BRADFORD – PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

**Manningham** 

The report of the Strategic Director, Regeneration and Culture (**Document "AD"**) detailed a proposed Traffic Regulation Order on Green Lane, Bradford associated with a new housing development.

The Principal Engineer introduced the report. He further stated that following his meeting with Green Lane Primary School, amendments to the proposal had been made, that a section of the proposed waiting restrictions on the north side of Green Lane, between Trenton Drive and the new zebra crossing, be removed. A plan showing the revised proposals was circulated to the Committee.

In response to questions by the Committee, it was reported that the school felt that there was insufficient space for parents to park their vehicles in front of schools and to remove the proposed waiting restrictions would be far beneficial for the school and its pupils. That schools were known as community schools and it was important for parents to walk their children to school as opposed to driving and causing further congestion.

#### Resolved -

- (1) That a Traffic Regulation Order and the zebra crossing as shown on drawing No. TDG/THCW/102939/CON-1D be approved for advertising.
- (2) That any valid objections to the advertised Traffic Regulation Order be submitted to this Area Committee for consideration or in the event of there being no valid objections the Traffic Regulation Order be sealed and implemented as advertised.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Environment and Waste Management ACTION: Strategic Director, Regeneration and Culture

#### 58. MANSCOMBE ROAD, ALLERTON, BRADFORD

Thornton & Allerton

The report of the Strategic Director, Regeneration and Culture (**Document "AE"**) informed Bradford West Area Committee that concerns had been raised about the volume and speed of through traffic on Manscombe Road, Allerton, Bradford.

The Principal Engineer was in attendance and gave a synopsis of the report.

A resident was present and invited to make representations to the Committee. He stated that Manscombe Road was a residential street used by drivers during peak periods to avoid congestion on other roads as a result the street was burdened with excess traffic to the full length of the street. Drivers were occasionally driving in excess of speed limits therefore the consideration of a 20mph speed limit was paramount.

In response to the Committee's questions it was reported that if a 20mph speed zone was implemented then this would be enforceable by the Police. The makeup of a new speed zone would include a Traffic Regulation Order, new signs and would cost to an average of £12K.

The Principal Engineer confirmed that road collision statistics were the contributing factor towards new traffic measures and in the past 5 years there had only been one recorded collision.

During the discussion the Committee highlighted that despite the report highlighting only 7.9% of vehicles were travelling in excess of the 30mph speed limit it was important that residents concerns be noted and supported.

#### Resolved -

That the request for a 20mph speed limit zone in Manscombe Road and the surrounding roads be added to the list of schemes to be considered by this Committee when they resolve a future programme of Safer Roads Schemes.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Environment and Waste Management ACTION: Strategic Director, Regeneration and Culture

#### 59. NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOLUTION PANELS – PROGRESS REPORT 2014

All Wards in Bradford West

The report of the Strategic Director, Environment and Sport (**Document "AF"**) gave an update on the progress that had been made in the setting up and use of Neighbourhood Resolution Panels in the Bradford district over the past 12 months.

The Safer Communities Delivery Co-ordinator gave a summary of the report.

In response to a question, it was reported that Conditional Cautioning enabled offenders to be given a suitable disposal without the involvement of the usual court processes. Instead of prosecution or a simple caution, is that the imposition of specified conditions would be an appropriate and effective means of addressing an offender's behaviour or making reparation for the effects of the offence on the victim or the community.

To conclude, the Committee praised the December 2014 Performance Information.

#### Resolved -

That the encouraging progress made over the past 12 months in developing Neighbourhood Resolution Panels in the Bradford District as set out in Document "AF" be commended.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Corporate LEAD: Strategic Director, Environment and Sport

#### Chair

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