

## Minutes of a meeting of the Bradford West Area Committee held on Wednesday, 24 October 2018 at 6.00 pm in Committee Room 1 - City Hall, Bradford

Commenced 6.00 pm

Concluded 7.10 pm

### Present – Councillors

<b>LABOUR</b>
A Ahmed
Akhtar
Amran
Duffy
Engel
Arshad Hussain
Kamran Hussain
Shabbir
Shaheen

Apologies: Councillors Mohammed and Nazir

### Councillor Amran in the Chair

#### 25. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The following disclosures of interest were received in the interest of clarity:

Councillor Akhtar disclosed an interest in the item relating to Objections Received to the Traffic Regulation Order for Waiting Restrictions on Various Roads in the Bradford West Constituency (Minute 30) as a family member owned a property on Alter Drive.

Councillor A Ahmed disclosed an interest in the item relating to Objections Received to the Traffic Regulation Order for Waiting Restrictions on Various Roads in the Bradford West Constituency (Minute 30) she was a Ward Member.

Councillor Arshad Hussain disclosed an interest in the item relating to Objections Received to the Traffic Regulation Order for Waiting Restrictions on Various Roads in the Bradford West Constituency (Minute 30) as he attended school with a resident who came to make representations to the Committee meeting.

Councillor Engel disclosed an interest in the item relating to Avenel Road Area – Objections to Proposed Traffic Calming Measures (Minute 31) as her two children walked to and from school on a daily basis through the Avenel Road area.

**ACTION:** *City Solicitor*

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

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

## **27. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions submitted by the public.

## **28. LOCAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE - DEVOLUTION UPDATE AND FUNCTION OVERVIEW**

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “M”**) detailed how the service currently managed the Local Highway Maintenance (LHM) function and allocated resources. It also updated the committee with regard to current operations being undertaken on the network and the indicative costs of works undertaken in the current financial year.

The Principal engineer was at the meeting and invited by the Chair to introduce the report. He stated that Local Highway Maintenance issues were devolved to the Area Committee control in 2013. As part of the commitment to the devolution process, information relating to the operation of Local Highway Maintenance was to be reported to all Area Committees on a regular basis. The need to undertake highway repairs throughout the District was identified through a variety of sources including general public calls to the customer contact centre, inspections as a result of service requests dealt with by the Area Teams or as a result of observations by highway officers in the course of undertaking other duties, programmed condition, safety and other surveys, safety Inspections, reports from Bradford West Ward Co-ordinators Office and of course, enquiries by Ward Members.

Succeeding introduction, a question and answer session ensued:

- How were priority schemes identified to the highways department?
  - The maintenance of the local highway network was essential to ensure the safe passage of all road users and therefore sites would be assessed by technical staff and ranked on a needs and priority basis;
- What was the reason behind loose road chippings?
  - Surface dressing was financed from a separate highways budget but loose road chippings were best for the maintenance of the effective life of a road;
- Why was the removal of block paving and patch repair on block paved table top crossing outside of Margaret McMillan School not considered as a priority and ranked as a Cat 1 immediate works?
  - During first implementation, the works was ranked under Cat 3 hence not dangerous;
- The footway in many parts of Lower Grange was appalling, in particular, Bedivere Road which was horrendous. Why were remedial works not being actioned?
  - Every road was inspected at least once a year some remedial works

- could not be accomplished due to on-going financial constraints;
- The footway on Charteris Road, Lower Grange was equally in a extremely poor condition?
  - This has been noted and an officer will go out to inspect;
- What would be categorised as a level for intervention based on the surface for footways?
  - Depressions and bumps more than 25mm deep or high including the deterioration of the surface; and,
- Had there been an increase or a decrease in the number of insurance claims from footway falls?
  - Through the past recent years, a decrease.

During the ending of the discussion, a Toller Ward Member of the Committee highlighted that in addition to the CAT3/4 implementation, the outstanding works of the footway between the properties 2 – 13 on Scotchman Road and requested remedial works be acted on in the near future.

**Resolved –**

- (1) **That the current operational methods adopted for Local Highway Maintenance be noted.**
- (2) **That the indicative costs to date for the current financial year be noted.**
- (3) **That the list of current and proposed CAT3/4 works as shown in Appendices 5 and 6, attached to Document “M” be approved.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director, Place***

**29. 28 HIGHGATE, BRADFORD - REQUEST FOR A DISABLED PERSONS PARKING PLACE (EXCEPTION TO POLICY)**

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “N”**) considered an application for a Disabled Persons Parking Place where the applicant did not meet all the Policy criteria.

**Resolved –**

- (1) **That the Bradford West Area Committee approves an application for the installation of a Disabled Persons Parking Place at 28 Highgate as an exception to the policy.**
- (2) **That the applicant be informed accordingly.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director, Place***

**30. OBJECTIONS RECEIVED TO THE TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER FOR**

## **WAITING RESTRICTIONS ON VARIOUS ROADS IN THE BRADFORD WEST CONSTITUENCY**

This report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “O”**) considered objections to the proposed Traffic Regulation Order on various roads in the Bradford West Constituency.

The Principal Engineer introduced the item to the Committee. He commenced by explaining that at its meeting on the 5 July 2017 the Bradford West Area Committee approved, as part of its Safer Roads Programme, a scheme to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order on various roads throughout the Bradford West Constituency. The Order had been promoted to resolve a number of requests for small areas of existing waiting restrictions to be amended or new restrictions to be introduced. The requests had been raised by Ward Members, local residents and businesses that had problems with on street parking, gaining access to premises or parking for customers. A Traffic Regulation Order was formally advertised between the 17 August and 10 September 2018. At the same time consultation letters and plans were posted to residents and business that it was considered would be directly affected by the proposals. This resulted in six objections to the proposals on Alice Street, one objection to Alter Drive, two objections to Market Street and Ball Street, 2 objections to Crow Tree Lane, one objection to Kensington Street and two objections to Arncliffe Terrace. Plans showing the proposals that had received objections were attached as Appendix 1.

A Committee Member sought clarification in relation to Alice Street. The objectors were content with double yellow lines but opposed at the south east corner due to the prevention of access for deliveries. In response, following an extensive survey, there were 2 parking areas that would be retained on Alice Street.

In relation to Arncliffe Terrace, a resident who was an objector to parts of the proposal was at the meeting and with the permission of the Chair made the following representations. He explained that he had been a resident since the 1960's. He lived at No 98 and his parents were residing at No 100. There were at least 15 disabled bays on the street. One resident of a disabled bay was consistently parking inconsiderably and causing unnecessary disruptions and inconvenience to neighbouring residents.

In relation to Prune Park Lane, the objector was concerned that the restrictions would encourage more parking on Cliffe View. This was already being used for parking when Prune Park Lane was full and had caused problems for refuse collection in the past. The objectors believed that the restrictions should be extended to the north of the junction.

The Principal Engineer sympathised and acknowledged the residents' concerns to the proposals but highlighted that a failure to implement these key additional and amended parking restrictions could lead to on-going access issues.

**Resolved –**

1. That the proposed Traffic Regulation Order for Various Roads in the Bradford West Constituency be modified as follows:
  - i. *Alice Street – proposal amended as per the plan attached as Appendix 3 subject to the inclusion of waiting restrictions at the 2nd surgery access point (as originally proposed) and the omission of a short length of proposed waiting restrictions at the south eastern corner of Alice Street.*
  - ii. *Prune Park Lane – addition of a short length of No Waiting At Any Time restriction on the north side of the junction with Cliffe View (to mirror the existing proposal on the south side of the junction) subject to consultation with the adjacent frontage property.*
  - iii. *Kensington Street – remove from the Order.*
  - iv. *Ivanhoe Road – minor modifications subject to consultation with Ward Members and affected frontages*
2. That the remaining objections be overruled and the Order be sealed and implemented as otherwise advertised including the provision of a formal Disabled Persons Parking Place at 96 Arncliffe Terrace .
3. That any objections arising from any proposed minor modifications to the Order on Prune Park Lane or Ivanhoe Road be reported to a future meeting of the Bradford West Area Committee or in the event of there being no valid objections, the Order for those elements of the scheme be sealed and implemented as modified.
4. That a review of all existing Disabled Persons Parking Places on Arncliffe Terrace be undertaken.
5. That all persons who have made representations in respect of the Order be informed accordingly.

***ACTION: Strategic Director, Place***

**31. AVENEL ROAD AREA - OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES**

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (Document "P") considered objections received to recently advertised proposals for traffic calming measures on Avenel Road, Whitburn Way, Ley Top Lane, Grange Road, Saffron Drive (part), Allerton Grange Drive, Brocklesby Drive, Upper Grange Avenue, Thurston Gardens and Sonning Road, Allerton.

The Chair invited the Principal Engineer to introduce the report to the Committee. He explained that a petition had been received signed by 201 residents requesting traffic calming measures on Allerton Grange Drive and Avenel Road at their meeting on 25 January 2017. The petitioners were concerned about the

safety and the speed of traffic using Avenel Road and adjacent streets. The petitioners requested that some sort of traffic calming measures be installed. Ward Councillors had also received representations from local residents regarding traffic speed in the area. At the meeting on 28 March 2018 this Committee approved funding as part of its 2017/18 Safer Roads schemes programme to introduce traffic calming measures on Allerton Grange Drive, Avenel Road and adjacent streets in Allerton. Further funding (from the 2018/19 Safer Roads budget) was allocated by the Area Committee at the meeting on 25 July 2018. Following assessment, this location had recorded accidents, showing that 5 collisions had occurred in the previous 5 years.

**Resolved –**

- 1. That the objections be overruled and the proposed traffic calming measures as shown on Plan no.HS/TRSS/104002/CON-1A – attached as Appendix 1 to Document “P”, be implemented as advertised.**
- 2. That the objectors be informed accordingly.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director, Place***

Chair

**Note: These minutes are subject to approval as a correct record at the next meeting of the Bradford West Area Committee.**

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