

SEVENOAKS JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on 7 March 2018 commencing at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr. London (Chairman)

Cllr. Chard (Vice Chairman)

District Cllrs. Clack, Edwards-Winsor, Esler and Layland

County Cllrs. Brazier, Crabtree, Gough, Lake

Mr. Parry (KALC)

Apologies for absence were received from District Cllrs. Horwood and Williamson

Cllrs. Mrs. Bayley and Piper were also present.

27. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Sevenoaks District Joint Transportation Board held on 5 December 2017, be agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

28. Declarations of interest

No additional declarations of interest were made.

29. Matters Arising/Update (Including Actions from Previous Meetings)

The actions were noted.

30. Statutory Consultation - Minor On-Street Parking Proposals various locations - TRO Amendment 26

Members gave consideration to the objections to the minor on-street parking proposals within The Kent County Council (Various Roads in the District of Sevenoaks) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Unloading and On-Street Parking Places) (Amendment 26) Order 2018 (known as "TRO 2013 Amendment 26") received during the statutory consultation.

The Board considered the report. With regards to Shoreham Lane, at the discretion of the Chairman, the Board was addressed by Mr. Andrew Lewis who stated that the proposal would do nothing to mitigate risk and urged an extension of the proposed lines by 50 metres to the south because of safety concerns.

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The Chairman advised that this position was not supported by the statistics and altering the proposal would delay in any action being taken and it may be better to impose the restrictions and review the effect at a later date rather than delay matters with another consultation process.

With regards to Chipstead Lane, at the discretion of the Chairman, the Board was addressed by the local district Councillor Mrs. Bayley, and Parish Cllr. Mrs. Shirley Stewart who was also a resident affected by the parking proposal. Concerns were that the road was frequently impassable due to parking and residents faced daily displacement. Traffic would frequently draw to a standstill and cars were required to park on the pavement to allow the passing of HGVs.

The Consultation showed a fairly even split for and against the parking proposal for Chipstead Lane, and it was considered that there needed to be higher levels of resident support to make any amendments.

District Cllr. Mrs. Bayley spoke in support of the recommendation for Cranmer Road but suggested that all day restrictions were unnecessary and limited hour restrictions would be more suitable. The Chairman amended the recommendation to parking restrictions only in operation between 8am-10am and 2pm-4pm, Monday-Friday.

The Vice Chairman proposed a review of a possible future extension of the restrictions for Scotts Way.

Resolved: That the following decisions be endorsed

- a) the results of the statutory consultation regarding minor on-street parking proposals within The Kent County Council (Various Roads in the District of Sevenoaks) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Unloading and On-Street Parking Places) (Amendment 26) Order 2018 (known as "TRO 2013 Amendment 26") be noted;
- b) the relevant objections received to the parking proposals for Riverhead - Amherst Place, Church Field & Shoreham Lane and Riverhead - London Road & Scotts Way as given in Appendices 2 and 5 to the report be set aside;
- c) the relevant objections to the parking proposal for Riverhead - Cranmer Road given in Appendix 4 to the report be upheld in part, and the proposal be amended, such that the times of operation of the proposed single yellow line be reduced from no waiting between 8am and 6pm all days to no waiting between 8am and 10am and between 2pm and 4pm Monday to Friday;
- d) the relevant objections received to the parking proposal for Westerham - Madan Road given in Appendix 8 to the report be upheld in part, and the proposal be amended, such that the proposed double yellow lines be

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implemented on both sides of Madan Road, from the eastern kerb line of London Road, eastwards for 10m;

- e) the relevant objections received to the parking proposal for Riverhead - Chipstead Lane given in Appendix 3 to the report, be upheld and the proposal abandoned;
- f) TRO 2013 Amendment 26 be amended as described in recommendations (c), (d) and (e) above and the parking proposals therein be implemented; and
- g) the objectors be notified of the decision.

31. Application for Disabled Persons' (Blue Badge) Parking Bay

The Parking Engineer presented the report on the informal consultation for an application received for a proposed disabled persons' (blue badge) parking bay within the District which met Kent County Council's assessment criteria.

Resolved: That

- a) the results of the informal consultation with neighbours for the proposed disabled persons' (blue badge) parking bay and Officers' comments detailed in Appendix 1 to the report be noted; and
- b) in the absence of any representations during the informal consultation, an interim disabled persons' parking bay be marked in the location as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.

32. The Rise, Shenden Way and Weald Road Sevenoaks: Parking Survey

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Members considered a report which updated them on the results of a parking survey carried out in December 2017 and outlined recommendations of any potential parking restrictions.

The Chairman used his discretion and allowed two residents, Mr. Macdonald of The Rise, and Mr. Mills of Shenden Way to address the Board with their concerns on safety and parking issues.

County Cllr Mrs. Crabtree offered to pay for 'dog bone' white lines for driveways from her allocated members' budget, however Officers advised that these were not legally enforceable and would need to take advice as to whether they could be done.

Action 1: KCC Officers to carry out further investigation with the local County Councillor on possible parking restriction measures at The Rise and Shenden Way.

Resolved: That

- a) parking restrictions be introduced in Weald Road between Turners Gardens and Lea Road, to include corner protection in Lea Road. To improve the safety at this point, improve traffic flow and prevent obstruction.
- b) no parking restrictions be introduced in The Rise or Shenden Way, as there must be a lawful reason for making a Traffic Regulation Order for parking restrictions and as there is no loss of amenity or issues related to safety here, KCC would not be in a position to lawfully introduce restrictions.

33. High Street, Sevenoaks Layby outside the Chequers Public House - Market Trader Parking

Members considered a report which summarised the outcome of an investigation by Officers into the feasibility of removing/suspending the double yellow lines in the layby outside the Chequers Public House in High Street in order to allow additional parking for market stall holders.

The Chairman used his discretion to allow District Cllr Piper to address the Board as a Sevenoaks Town Councillor. He requested a timetable for a long term solution be produced.

A KCC Officer stated that any market rights did not trump road safety.

Cllr. Clack had been undertaking his own legal research and consulting KCC and the District Council's legal teams which he would continue to pursue. The Chairman encouraged officers to speak further with the traders and Sevenoaks Town Council to reach a solution.

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Resolved: That the report be noted.

34. Sevenoaks Highways Works Programme 2017/18

Members' considered a report which gave an update on the identified schemes approved for construction in 2017/18.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

THE MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 8.22 PM

CHAIRMAN