

CENTRAL STOCKPORT AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 15 June 2017
At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillors Sheila Bailey, Richard Coaton, Becky Crawford, Dickie Davies, Philip Harding, Andy Sorton, Charlie Stewart and Wendy Wild.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

RESOLVED – That Councillor Andy Sorton be elected Chair of the Area Committee for the period until the next Annual Council Meeting.

Councillor Andy Sorton in the Chair

2. COUNCILLOR BECKY CRAWFORD

The Chair welcomed Councillor Becky Crawford to her first meeting of the Area Committee following her recent election to the Council in the by election for the Brinnington and Central Ward.

3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

RESOLVED – That Councillor Charlie Stewart be appointed Vice-Chair of the Area Committee for the period until the next Annual Council Meeting.

4. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 13 April 2017 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

6. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

7. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

No announcements were made.

(ii) Public Question Time

No public questions were submitted.

(iii) Public Realm

Mark Calderbank (Public Realm Inspector) attended the meeting to report on current issues and to answer questions from Councillors and members of the public in relation to public realm issues within the area represented by the Central Stockport Area Committee. A written summary was also provided of the work carried out by the Public Realm Service and Public Protection Enforcement Officers in the Central Stockport area (copies of which had been circulated).

The following comments were made/issues raised:-

- Concern was expressed by local Ward Members about the amount of waste presented incorrectly and fly tipping in the Edgeley and Cheadle Heath Ward. Targeted work had taken place in the area around Farr Street and Freemantle Street, Edgeley to contact the landlords to try and encourage their tenants to reduce the amount of waste presented incorrectly in the area. If successful, a similar approach could be tried in other parts of Central Stockport.
- Officers were thanked for expediting the replacement of the access cover by Virgin Media outside 46 Offerton Lane, Offerton.

RESOLVED – That Mark Calderbank be thanked for his attendance.

(iv) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(v) Open Forum

In accordance with the Code of Practice no organisation had indicated that they wished to address the Area Committee as part of the Open Forum arrangements.

(vi) Ward Flexibility Funding

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager reported that, in light of recent changes to the Constitution, it was necessary for the Area Committee to consider its current practice for determining applications for Ward Flexibility Funding.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to delegate the determination of applications for Ward Flexibility Funding for the Municipal Year 2017/18 to the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with Ward Councillors.

8. PLANNING APPEALS, ENFORCEMENT APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENT NOTICES

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (copies of which had been circulated) listing any outstanding or recently determined planning appeals and enforcement activity within the area represented by the Central Stockport Area Committee.

The following comments were made/issues received:-

- A Member expressed concern at the length of time taken to pursue the enforcement action at 69 Banks Lane, Offerton.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

9. A6 WELLINGTON ROAD BRIDGE WATERPROOFING SCHEME

A representative of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out proposals to complete essential maintenance works to the A6 Wellington Road Bridge in summer 2017.

The following comments were made/issues raised:-

- A Member requested to see the traffic modelling for the works and whether there was any indication of the interim impact, for example how much traffic would be diverted onto St. Mary's Way.
- The utility companies would need to finish their works before the main scheme commenced.
- A Member enquired as to an estimate of the loss of revenue to the Council from the proposal to offer free car parking in Merseyway and Heaton Lane car parks.
- The possibility of one hour's free parking per day was suggested as a way of assisting local businesses and it was suggested that consideration be given as to which car parks it should apply, for example whether it should also apply to Newbridge Lane Car Park.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

10. STOCKPORT INTERCHANGE DEVELOPMENT AND STOCKPORT COLLEGE RELOCATION

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager reported that this item had been placed on the agenda at the request of Councillor Philip Harding.

Councillor Harding requested to be updated on the current situation on the proposals currently being developed by the Council, Transport for Greater Manchester, Stockport and Trafford Colleges, and the Greater Manchester Combined Authority relating to the relocation of Stockport College and Stockport Interchange projects.

A representative of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration confirmed that the proposed scheme would be subject to consultation and would be submitted to this Area Committee and the Economy and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee for comments prior to a planning application being considered.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

11. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

A development application was submitted.

(NOTE: Full details of the decisions including conditions and reasons for granting or refusing planning permission and imposing conditions are given in the schedule of plans. The Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration is authorised to determine conditions and reasons and they are not therefore referred to in committee minutes unless the committee makes a specific decision on a condition or reason. In order to reduce printing costs and preserve natural resources, the schedule of plans is not reproduced within these minutes. A copy of the schedule of plans is available on the council's website at www.stockport.gov.uk/planningdecisions. Copies of the schedule of plans, or any part thereof, may be obtained from the Services to Place Directorate upon payment of the Council's reasonable charges).

(i) DC/064697 - Little Moor Cottages. Hampson Street, Offerton

In respect of plan no. 64697 for the erection of two semi-detached, two storey dwelling houses, together with vehicular accesses, car parking and boundary treatment at Little Moor Cottages, Hampson Street, Offerton, it was:-

RESOLVED – That planning permission be granted be granted, subject to the removal of permitted development rights.

12. HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE AND LOCAL INITIATIVE REPORT - CARRIAGEWAY REPAIR OUTSIDE NUMBERS 2 AND 21 INGLETON ROAD, EDGELEY

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) setting out a proposal to undertake a minor carriageway repairs outside numbers 2 and 21 Ingleton Road, Edgeley.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the proposal to undertake minor carriageway repairs outside numbers 2 and 21 Ingleton Road, Edgeley at an approximate cost of £2,800 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Edgeley and Cheadle Heath Ward allocation).

13. EBBDALE CLOSE, STOCKPORT - NO WAITING AT ANY TIME TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) setting out the result of an investigation into the difficulties caused by parked vehicles on Ebbdale Close, Stockport.

RESOLVED – (1) The Area Committee was minded to approve the following No Waiting At Any Time Traffic Regulation Order at an approximate cost of £500 to be funded from the Area Committee's Budget (Brinnington and Central Ward allocation):-

Proposed Traffic Regulation Order No Waiting At Any Time

Ebbdale Close - north east side from a point 40 metres south west of the westerly kerbline of the south arm of Ebbdale Close for a distance of approximately 26 metres in a north westerly direction.

(2) That approval be given to the statutory legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Order and, subject to no objections being received within twenty one days from the advertisement date, the Order be made.

(3) That approval be given to consultation taking place with the relevant households on the proposals contained in paragraph 4.1 of the report entitled 'Additional Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders No Waiting At Any Time'.

14. HARPER STREET, KINDER STREET, EDGELEY - NO WAITING AT ANY TIME TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out the result of an investigation into the difficulties caused by parked vehicles at the junction of Harper Street with Kinder Court and Kinder Street, Edgeley.

RESOLVED – (1) The Area Committee was minded to approve the following No Waiting At Any Time Traffic Regulation Order on Harper Street and Kinder Street, Edgeley at an approximate cost of £550 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Edgeley and Cheadle Heath Ward allocation):-

Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - No Waiting At Any Time

Harper Street - north east side, from a point 10 metres south east of the southerly kerbline of James Street for a distance of 30 metres in a south easterly direction.

Kinder Street - south east side, from the north easterly kerbline of Harper Street for a distance of 10 metres in a south westerly direction.

(2) That approval be given to the statutory legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Order and, subject to no objections being received within twenty one days from the advertisement date, the Order be made.

15. OAK TREE CLOSE, OFFERTON - NO WAITING AT ANY TIME TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) setting out the results of an investigation into the difficulties caused by parked vehicles at the junction of Oak Tree Close and Curzon Road, Offerton.

RESOLVED – (1) That the Area Committee be minded to approve the following No Waiting At Any Time Traffic Regulation Order on Oak Tree Close and Curzon Road,

Offerton at an approximate cost of £550 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Manor Ward allocation):-

Proposed Traffic Regulation Order No Waiting At Any Time

Oak Tree Close – both sides, from the north westerly kerbline of Curzon Road for a distance of 10 metres in a North Westerly direction.

Curzon Road - north west side from a point 10 metres south west of the south westerly kerbline of Oak Tree Close Close to a point 10 metres north east of the north easterly kerbline of Oak Tree Close.

(2) That approval be given to the statutory legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Order and, subject to no objections being received within twenty one days from the advertisement date, the Order be made.

16. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES (CENTRAL STOCKPORT)

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to consider the appointment of representatives to represent the Council on outside bodies for 2017/2018:-

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the following appointment of representatives to represent the Council on outside bodies for 2017/2018:-

Cheadle Heath Community Association

Councillors Sheila Bailey, Richard Coaton and Philip Harding

Woodbank Community Association

Councillors Daniel Hawthorne, Patrick McAuley and Charlie Stewart.

17. AREA COMMITTEE WARD HIGHWAYS SPOKESPERSONS

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted the Area Committee Highway Ward Spokespersons Protocol (copies of which had been circulated) and requesting the Area Committee to nominate ward spokespersons for each ward with whom officers would liaise with over traffic and highways matters.

RESOLVED – That the following Highways & Traffic Ward Spokespersons be appointed for 2017/18:-

Brinnington and Central Ward

Councillor Chris Murphy

Davenport and Cale Green Ward

Councillor Dickie Davies

Edgeley and Cheadle Heath Ward

Councillor Richard Coaton

Manor Ward

Councillor Daniel Hawthorne
Councillor Charlie Stewart

18. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) updating the Area Committee on progress on decisions taken by the Area Committee since the last meeting and the current position on Ward Flexibility funding. The report also included the current position on the Area Committee's Delegated Budget.

The representative of the Democratic Services Manager reported that the Leader of the Council, in consultation with Group Leaders, had considered the issue of borough-wide applications submitted to area committees and agreed that there would be a borough-wide fund for the 2017/18 municipal year which would be funded through a 10% top slice (£300) off the ward budget i.e. each ward will receive a £2,700 allocation this year rather than £3,000. Applications for the fund would be considered by a meeting of Area Committee chairs who would make a recommendation to the Cabinet Member for Reform & Governance.

In addition, from the commencement of the 2019/20 Municipal Year, no ward fund would be permitted to carry forward an underspend of more than £5,000.

An evaluation report would be submitted to area committees on the activities of the borough-wide fund at the commencement of the next municipal year.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 7.02 pm