

STEPPING HILL AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 30 July 2024

At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillor Pete West (Chair) in the chair; Councillor Jake Austin (Vice-Chair); Councillors Grace Baynham, Dominic Hardwick, Helen Hibbert, Wendy Meikle, Dan Oliver and Frankie Singleton.

1. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 18 June 2024 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors and officers were invited to declare any interests which they had in any of the items on the agenda for the meeting.

The following interests were declared:-

<u>Councillor</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Grace Baynham	Agenda item 4(i) – ‘Chair’s announcements’ and agenda item 15 ‘Progress on Area Committee Decisions’ as an employee of Stepping Hill hospital
Dominic Hardwick and Helen Hibbert	Agenda Item 4(vii) – ‘Ward Flexibility Funding – Stockport Armed Forces Breakfast Club’ as attendees of the Armed Forces Breakfast Club

3. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

The Chair stated that the Deputy Prime Minister had made an announcement related to planning reform and the publication of a new National Planning Policy. In light of that, officers were reviewing the Stockport Local Plan and the associated consultation and would provide Members with an update in due course.

The Chair announced that Hazel Grove Carnival had taken place and that it had been well attended. It was further announced that the Carnival committee was seeking volunteers for future events and local residents were encouraged to take part.

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The Flowery Fields Allotment event open day took place on 27 July 2024. The Hazel Grove allotment open day was scheduled to be held in September and Bosden Farm Farm Fest was scheduled for 25 August 2024.

The Chair announced that Stockport Council was holding a Summer of Sport and encouraged residents to check the council's website for details of forthcoming events.

The council's final comments on the Travel Plan had been shared with Stepping Hill hospital and it was hoped that the Travel Plan would be formally agreed. Members requested that a representative from Stepping Hill hospital attend a future meeting of Stepping Hill Area Committee to discuss the Travel Plan.

(ii) Neighbourhood Policing

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance reported that a representative of Greater Manchester Police had been unable to attend the meeting and a written update had not been circulated in advance of the meeting.

(iii) Public Question Time

No public questions were submitted.

(iv) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(v) Open Forum - Hazel Grove District Centre Action Plan

A representative of the Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) providing an update on delivering Hazel Grove District Centre Action Plan including recent successes and priorities for the next six months.

The following comments were made/ issues raised:-

- Members thanked officers for the work carried out at Hazel Grove district centre and welcomed improvements, including the increase in footfall.
- The Civic Hall was recognised as an important community asset.
- Members commented on the collaboration between the District Centre Manager and local businesses and welcomed planned events for Hazel Grove district centre, including a festive market.
- Members also welcomed the online portal which provided advice for local businesses.
- Improvements to the appearance of Hazel Grove district centre were noted, particularly benches and planters.
- Members queried whether UKSPF funding could be used for further improvements and to attract more businesses to the district centre.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

(vi) Ward Flexibility Funding - Talk About Money CIC

A representative of Talk About Money CIC attended the meeting and submitted an application for a grant of £735 towards the cost of organising a community picnic, to increase awareness of local services available to residents, and provide the opportunity to gather feedback on improvements that could be made.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application received from Talk About Money CIC for a grant of £735 towards the cost of organising a community picnic, to increase awareness of local services available to residents, and provide the opportunity to gather feedback on improvements that could be made.

(vii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Stockport Armed Forces Breakfast Club

A representative of Stockport Armed Forces Breakfast Club attended the meeting and submitted an application for a grant of £83.82 towards the cost of two feather flags and two pull up banners to replace worn out / damaged ones to pitch outside the Micker Brook to draw attention to the Stockport Armed Forces Breakfast Club.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application received from Stockport Armed Forces Breakfast Club for a grant of £83.82 towards the cost of two feather flags and two pull up banners to replace worn out / damage ones to pitch outside the Micker Brook to draw attention to the Stockport Armed Forces Breakfast Club.

5. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

There were no development applications to consider.

6. PLANNING APPEAL, ENFORCEMENT APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENT NOTICES

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) summarising recent appeal decisions; lists current planning appeals and dates for local enquiries; informal hearings for planning appeals, and enforcement action within the Stepping Hill Area Committee area.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

7. REVIEW OF OUTCOMES TOUR

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report of the Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) announcing the intention to hold the Annual Review of Outcomes on Friday, 4 October 2024 and requested the Area Committee to submit its recommendations for a completed development site within its area to be included on the list of sites to be inspected by the Tour delegates. In addition the Area Committee was asked to provide nominations for delegates to attend.

RESOLVED – (1) That the Lisbon Special Educational Needs School and the Gladstone Street developments be nominated to be included on the list of sites to be inspected on the 2024 annual review tour;

- (2) That Councillors Jake Austin and Helen Hibbert be nominated to attend the Annual Review Tour on 4 October 2024.

8. INTEGRATED TRANSPORT BLOCK – HAZEL GROVE 20MPH SPEED LIMIT

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out the findings of a consultation exercise for the Integrated Transport Block funded 20 mph speed limit for a residential estate to the south of Dean Lane, Hazel Grove.

The following comments were made/ issues raised:-

- Members noted that some objections to this scheme had been raised during the consultation, however the majority of respondents had 'strongly agreed' with the implementation of the scheme.
- It was noted that this scheme would be funded by central government.

RESOLVED – That the Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways & Transport Services be recommended to give approval to a 20mph speed limit on Wensley Drive, Malton Drive, Elton Drive, Hartington Drive, Longnor Road, Bradwell Road, Ripley Close, Matlock Drive, Sheldon Road, Sudbury Road, Belvoir Avenue and Winsfield Road in Hazel Grove and the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Orders contained in Appendix B to the report and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders, to be funded from the Government's City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) Integrated Transport Block fund.

9. INTEGRATED TRANSPORT BLOCK – A6 TO BRAMHALL PARK

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out the findings of a consultation exercise along the A5143 Corridor funded by the CRSTS Integrated Transport Block.

The following comments were made/ issues raised: -

- Members queried whether the proposed 'keep clear' signs outside Hazel Grove High School could be in use outside of school hours. In response it was stated that the timing of the 'keep clear' restrictions could be flexible, or timings could be removed altogether.
- It was confirmed that the proposed 20 mph zones within the scheme would be mandatory rather than advisory.
- Members welcomed the proposed filter lane at Five Ways.

RESOLVED – That the Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways & Transport Services be recommended to give approval to the proposed measures set out in the report along with the amendment to the signal arrangements at the Dean Lane / Macclesfield Road junction and the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Orders contained in Appendix C to the report and, subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement

date, the subsequent making of the orders, to be funded from the Government's City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) Integrated Transport Block fund.

10. BUS PINCH POINTS – PROPOSED HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS, DIALSTONE LANE, STOCKPORT

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out the findings of a consultation exercise for the proposed Government's City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) - Bus Pinch Points – Highway Improvements, Dialstone Lane proposals.

The following comments were made/ issues raised:-

- Members noted that this scheme had been the subject of a number of amendments following the consultation period.
- Members requested that consideration of this scheme be deferred pending a ward briefing.

RESOLVED – That this decision be deferred to a future meeting of Stepping Hill Area Committee.

11. CHESTER ROAD, HAZEL GROVE

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out proposed amended Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) on part of Chester Road in Hazel Grove.

RESOLVED – That the Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways & Transport Services be recommended to give approval to the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Orders as follows:

Revoke Permit Parking Zone HG:

Chester Road, Hazel Grove

South east side from a point level with the projected south west building line of No. 29 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 8.5 metres.

Extend No Waiting at Any Time:

Chester Road, Hazel Grove

South east side from a point level with the projected south west building line of No. 29 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 8.5 metres.

Revoke No Waiting Monday to Friday 8.00am – 6.00pm:

Chester Road, Hazel Grove

South east side from the projected north eastern property line of No. 17 for a distance of 4 metres in a north easterly direction.

Extend Permit parking Zone HG:

Chester Road, Hazel Grove

South east side from the projected north eastern property line of No. 17 for a distance of 4 metres in a north easterly direction

and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders at a cost of £800 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Hazel Grove allocation).

12. CATHERINE STREET AND COMMERCIAL ROAD, HAZEL GROVE

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out proposed No Waiting at Any Time restrictions at the junction of Catherine Street and Commercial Road in Hazel Grove.

The following comments were made/ issues raised:-

- Some objections had been raised in relation to this scheme as part of the consultation, however Members were of the view that this proposal would improve road safety at the junction.
- Members requested that the impact on parking on Commercial Road be considered.

RESOLVED – That Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways & Transport Services be recommended to give approval to the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Orders as follows:

No Waiting at Any Time:

Catherine Street

Both sides from the North Western kerb line of Commercial Road for a distance of 10 metres in a Northerly direction.

Commercial Road

North Western side from a point 10 metres South West of the Western kerb line of Catherine Street in a North Easterly direction to a point 5 metres North East of the Eastern kerb line of Catherine Street (to tie-in with the aforementioned).

South Eastern side from a point 10 metres South West of the entrance to Hampson Court in a North Easterly direction to a point 9 metres North East of the entrance to Hampson Court

and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders at a cost of £950 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Hazel Grove allocation).

13. WEAVER CLOSE AND CHAPEL STREET, HAZEL GROVE

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) setting out proposed No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on parts of Weaver Close and Chapel Street in Hazel Grove

RESOLVED – That approval be given approval to the legal advertising of the following Traffic Regulation Orders:-

No Waiting at Any Time:

Weaver Close

South West side from the North Western kerb line of Chapel Street for a distance of 8 metres in a North Westerly direction.

South West side from a point 18 metres North West of the North Western kerb line of Chapel Street for a distance of 10 metres in a North Westerly direction; then 11 metres in a South Westerly direction (following the kerb line).

North East side from the North Western kerb line of Chapel Street for a distance of 7 metres in a North Westerly direction.

Chapel Street

North Western side from a point 5 metres South West of the South Western kerb line of Weaver Close in a North Easterly direction to a point 5 metres North East of the North Eastern kerb line of Weaver Close (to tie-in with the aforementioned)

and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders at a cost of £850 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Hazel Grove Ward allocation).

14. SHEARWATER ROAD, OFFERTON - CONSTRUCTION OF NEW PEDESTRIAN DROPPED KERB

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) seeking approval for the construction of pedestrian dropped kerbs on Shearwater Road, Offerton.

Members commented that this scheme would make it easier for residents to cross the road, in particular the elderly and wheelchair users.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the construction of x2 tactile pedestrian dropped kerbs to provide a new crossing point on Shearwater Road, Offerton at a cost of £4,500 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Hazel Grove ward allocation).

15. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) providing an update on progress since the last meeting on decisions taken by the Area Committee and detailing the current position on area flexibility funding. The report also included the current position on the highway and traffic management delegated budget.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm