

MID DEVON HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC ORDERS COMMITTEE

26 June 2017

Present:-

Devon County Council:

Councillors J Berry, P Colthorpe, R Radford, C Slade and M Squires

Mid Devon District Council:

Councillors R Chesteron and D Coren

Apologies:

Councillors N Way

* **1** **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2017 be signed as a correct record.

* **2** **Announcement**

The Chairman welcomed Mr Hodgins who was attending the meeting in his capacity as a Co-opted Member of the Council's Standards Committee to observe and monitor compliance with the Council's ethical governance framework.

* **3** **Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman**

RESOLVED that Councillor Radford be elected Chairman and Councillor Berry be elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

* **4** **Items Requiring Urgent Attention**

There was no matter raised as a matter of urgency.

* **5** **Member Induction - Duties and Responsibilities and Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) Approval Process**

The Acting Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste gave a presentation on the work of the Committee covering the Constitution, Terms of Reference and Scheme of Delegation.

[NB A copy of the presentation is appended to these Minutes.]

* **6** **Devon Highways Term Maintenance Contract**

The Committee received a presentation from Mr S Kane (Contract Manager) Skanska UK covering the Company's origin and ethos, number of employees worldwide and UK and wide ranging infrastructure and engineering activities across local authority and other sectors.

Members' questions and comments related to:

- the availability of apprenticeship training at the new training academy at Sowton;
- pot hole repair policy;
- the application of TUPE arrangements where appropriate;
- clarification of what the maintenance term contract included;
- the need for Members to raise any local issues/concerns with their respective Neighbourhood Officer.

The Acting Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste stated that the work programme for this financial year would shortly be available on the Council's website at <https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/activeschemes-map/> and that www.roadworks.org provided details of all work (including utility work) over a two week period.

The Committee thanked Mr Kane for his comprehensive presentation and extended an invitation for him to attend a future meeting.

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Annual Local Waiting Restriction Programme

The Committee considered the Report of the Acting Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/17/40) on the annual local waiting programme for the HATOC area for the funding and delivery of waiting restriction schemes for 2017/18 to include minor aids to movement improvements such as drop crossing, footway improvements and bollards.

The Committee noted that the Cabinet had allocated an amount of £100,000 countywide from the On Street Parking Account to this process in 2017/18 which equated to £12,500 to each HATOC area.

The Acting Chief Officer reminded Members that all proposals need to be evaluated by the end of July and contact would be made with Members appropriately.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Berry, **SECONDED** by Councillor Slade and

RESOLVED

- (a) that work on the annual waiting restrictions programme process for 2017/2018 be noted;
- (b) that the recommendations contained in Appendix I to Report HIW/17/40 be agreed and, subject to consultation with local Members on the details, the proposals be advertised;
- (c) that the recommendations contained in Appendix II to Report HIW/17/40 be agreed and, subject to consultation with local Members on the details, the proposals be implemented.

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Lane to Pound Farm, Burlescombe: Stopping-up of Highway

The Committee considered the Report of the Acting Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure and Waste (HIW/17/41) recommending that an application be made to the Magistrates' Court for the stopping-up of part of the public highway of the Lane to Pound Farm, Burlescombe, as detailed in Appendix I to the Report, as it was not needed for public use.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Radford, **SECONDED** by Councillor Slade and

RESOLVED that an application to the Magistrates' Court be made for an order under Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980 for the said highway to be stopped-up.

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Delegated Powers

The Committee received the Report of the Acting Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure and Waste (HIW/17/42) on action taken by her in consultation with the Chairman and Local Members.

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Petitions/Parking Policy Reviews

No petition for a parking review from a member of the public relating to Mid Devon had been received.

***DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT**
The Meeting started at 10.30 am and finished at 11.40 pm.