

## EXETER HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC ORDERS COMMITTEE

9 April 2019

Present: -

Devon County Council: -

Councillors Y Atkinson (Chair), H Ackland, M Asvachin, S Aves, E Brennan (Vice-Chair), A Leadbetter, P Prowse and C Whitton

Exeter City Council

Councillors R Newby and T Wardle

Apologies: -

Councillors P Edwards, R Hannaford and O Pearson

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### **Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2019 be signed as a correct record.

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### **Items Requiring Urgent Attention**

No item was raised as a matter of urgency.

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### **Bus Services in Exeter/Stagecoach Fare Consultation**

Mr P Clark Operational Director, Stagecoach South West, attended and spoke at the invitation of the Committee on developments affecting bus services and the network in and around Exeter.

Mr Clark reported that a consultation meeting had been held at Matford Head Office on 29th March on the SW Fares Revision to which Members of this Committee had been invited, which had been a successful and constructive exercise. Mr Clark referred to: -

- the cost pressures including pay and fuel increases and the impact on fares with an overall increase of 3% on average (details to follow);
- the continuation of the 1+2 (children) tickets which would be rolled over across the County and other money saving bundles available via the Company's mobile 'app';
- the outcome of a customer survey with a 95% satisfaction rating, the second best nationally which was very positive; and
- the discontinuation of the 221 service.

Mr Clark answered Members' questions relating to:

- the consultation exercise which Members welcomed as a positive step forward by the Company;
- the 1+2 offer and noting members' disappointment that the offer did not apply for an adult with 1 child (where a smaller discount was available);
- the need to check the reliability of the Real Time display in the High Street;
- promoting travel for young users (school and college leavers) with the wide-ranging services and fares available, through their marketing campaigns and extension of coverage for term riders into the holiday periods for other young users;
- the large planned residential expansion around the City and the Company's work with partners and local authorities in securing S.106 money for early provision of additional services for these developments; and Mr Clark undertook to look at the situation with services crossing into the East Devon District;

- the T Service and issues relating to termination at the Doctors' surgery and difficulties for drivers manoeuvring on Topsham Quay which was to be discussed on site with a Stagecoach manager and local Members to which Mr Clark was also invited;
- the purchase of 14 new mini-buses last year for routes with narrow and tight streets; and
- planned improvements for the A bus service to improve reliability.

The Chair thanked Mr Clark for his attendance and answers to Members' questions.

\* **96**      **Annual Local Waiting Restriction Programme**

The Committee noted the Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/40) on the progress of the 4th year of this project, which was a countywide initiative intended to deliver non-contentious proposals.

To ensure that proposals could be delivered within the 2019/20 financial year, a closing date of 18 January 2019 for submission of proposals had been agreed with the Cabinet Member for Highway Management. The sixty-nine individual proposals received were listed in Appendix I to the Report.

Individual Members would be contacted over the coming weeks regarding the proposals within their divisions.

Further requests from Members (or made via the local Neighbourhood Officer) would be added to next year's programme for consideration and officers would also check: (i) on whether a timely submission had been received relating to St John's Road (St Sidwells and St James), and (ii) the details relating to Salmonpool Lane (Wearside and Topsham) which had been the subject of a petition requesting limited waiting or Pay and Display.

Following advertisement proposals which did not attract objections would be implemented without the need to report back to Committee; and proposals attracting significant objections would be reported to the Committee on 9 July 2019.

\* **97**      **Annual Review of Residents Parking Requests**

The Committee considered the Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/41) on the outcome of the results of the consultations for further residents parking and new requests for residents parking in Exeter. A Member Working Party had been established to examine the need/desire for future Residents' Parking Schemes in the city which reported in January 2018 when the Committee had resolved to consult in four areas of the city. These consultations had taken place in November 2018.

A further two meetings of the Working Party earlier this year had considered the results of these consultations and requests received since January 2018. This Report detailed those discussions and recommendations from the Working Party and the schemes already in progress.

Members referred to the environmental and other impacts of residents creating their own off-street parking provision with dropped kerbs resulting in the loss of some on-street parking. The County Council's policy on applications for dropped kerbs would be circulated to Members for information.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Atkinson, **SECONDED** by Councillor Whitton and

**RESOLVED**

(a) that the results of the consultations be noted;

(b) that the advertising of a Traffic Regulation Order to introduce a residents parking scheme in the Monks Road area as shown on plan ENV5746-MONKSRESI-001 be approved; and

(c) that consultations in the areas detailed in Section 6 of this Report be approved, subject to the details being agreed in consultation with the local County Councillor.

\* **98**      **Residents Parking Extensions - Duryard and Pennsylvania**

(Mr J Vinall (on behalf of the Horseguards estate management company) attended in accordance with the Public Participation Scheme and spoke to this item, in so far as it related to Horseguards, objecting to the proposal and requesting a new zone for Horseguards [and not part of the existing H Zone]).

The Committee considered the Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/42) on the results of the statutory consultation on the proposal to extend residents parking zones in Duryard and Pennsylvania to include Elmdon Close, Horseguards, Pennsylvania Close and Wrefords Lane. In total, 45 responses had been received as a result of the consultation and detailed in the Report (Appendix II) along with Officer responses.

The Officers reported that a proposal for a new Residents Parking Zone for Horseguards would not be fully policy compliant in view of the level of off-street parking available for residents and parking capacity.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Prowse, **SECONDED** by Councillor Newby and

**RESOLVED**

(a) that the results of the consultations be noted;

(b) that the proposals as detailed in Section 4 of the Report relating to Elmdon Close, Pennsylvania Close and Wrefords Lane be approved; and

(c) that a new Residents Parking Zone for Horseguards be supported, but in view of the proposal not being fully compliant with current Council policy, Cabinet be asked to consider and determine the proposal.

\* **99**      **Rosebarn Lane- Residents Parking**

(Mr J Phillips, Mr G Sones and Mr W Kirk attended in accordance with the Public Participation Scheme and spoke to this item objecting to the details of the proposals relating to Rosebarn Lane).

The Committee considered the Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/43) on the outcome of a statutory consultation from 7 February until 4 March 2019 for a Residents' Parking Scheme for the Rosebarn Lane area.

Over the consultation period 427 submissions had been received and summarised in the Report with Officer responses (Appendix I). The Chair also reported the receipt of further representations (outside of the consultation period) circulated to Members from Mr Kirk, Dr Lauric and Ms Wright.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Prowse, **SECONDED** by Councillor Newby and

**RESOLVED**

(a) that the results of the statutory consultation be noted;

(b) that the restrictions detailed in Section 3 of the Report relating to Doriam Close, Patricia Close and Rosebarn Lane (South) be approved and implemented;

(c) that the proposals relating to Aldrin Road, The Fairway and Armstrong Avenue be approved and implemented, as advertised;

(d) that the restrictions in Rosebarn Lane (North) be implemented as advertised with a modification to limit the maximum stay in the Pay and Display to 4 hours, subject to (i) the details being approved by the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste in consultation with the local County Councillor and Chair of the Committee; and (ii) a Safety Audit;

(e) that the proposals relating to Mayflower Avenue, Sheppard Road and Collins Road be not progressed;

(f) that the decision on no waiting restrictions in Florida Drive and Stoke Valley Road (between California Close and Pennsylvania Road) be delegated to the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste in consultation with the local County Councillor and Chair of the Committee;

(g) that the decision on restrictions in Pennsylvania Road be delegated to the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste in consultation with the local County Councillor and Chair of the Committee; and

(h) that the proposals relating to the Stoke Valley Road (between California Close and Collins Road) and side roads be not progressed.

*[N.B. In accordance with Standing Order 32(4) Councillors Ackland, Asvachin, Aves, Brennan Wardle and Whitton requested that their abstention from the vote taken be recorded]*

\* **100**      **Request for a Pedestrian Crossing on Admiral Way for school children attending the new School**

(In accordance with Standing Order 23(2) Councillor Newby had requested that the Committee consider this matter)

The Chief Officer of Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste reported that pedestrian crossings would be unlikely to meet national criteria for installation once the estate roads were adopted, even when the School had reached full capacity. The alternative would be for a school crossing patrol in the area and this could be considered by the School after it had developed its Travel Plan which would identify the issues and locations involved. However, the Officers would meet with the local Members to discuss appropriate locations for the installation of school warning signs and consider the need for school keep clear markings.

\* **101**      **Actions taken Under Delegated Powers**

The Committee noted the Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/44) on actions taken under delegated powers since the last meeting.

\* **102**      **Dates of Meetings**

9 July and 11 November 2019 and 27 January and 27 April 2020.

*[N.B. The County Council Calendar of Meetings available at:  
<https://democracy.devon.gov.uk/mgCalendarMonthView.aspx?GL=1&bcr=1>]*

**\*DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT**

The Meeting started at 2.15 pm and finished at 4.40 pm