

TEIGNBRIDGE HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC ORDERS COMMITTEE

14 November 2019

Present:-

Devon County Council:-

Councillors S Barker, J Brook (Chair), J Clatworthy, G Gribble, G Hook, R Peart and S Russell

Other Representatives

Councillors P Bullivant and C Nuttall - Teignbridge DC
Councillor M Hocking - DALC

Apologies:-

Councillors Connett and J Hook, A Connett, A Dewhirst and S Cook

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Minutes

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Clatworthy and **SECONDED** by Councillor Russell and

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 July 2019 be signed as a correct record.

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Permits for Works

The Committee received a presentation from the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste on a proposed permit scheme for approving works on the highway and the introduction of statutory regulations. The presentation covered:

- the current noticing system for informing the County Council as Highways Authority of proposed road works;
- the Council's statutory duty to coordinate works and reduce disruption, with anticipated greater control to scrutinise works, set conditions and encourage greater collaboration;
- the requirement for all local authorities to consider introducing a scheme by April 2020;
- the project timeline (including a period for consultation before 'going live' in March 2020 for statutory undertakers and Devon Highways; and March 2021 for private contractors);
- the scope covering all statutory undertakers and DCC Highway works and in phase 2 all other privately licenced works;
- types of highway works included in the proposed scheme;
- anticipated environmental benefits relating to reduction in congestion/delays and materials;
- permit charging on a not for profit basis;
- the range of conditions permitted; and
- the cost benefit analysis of savings to the wider economy were £850 per day per site.

Discussion points raised at the meeting included:

- the provisions within the proposed scheme for emergency works which also allowed for the imposition of reasonable conditions by the County Council as appropriate, as well as the need for a clear procedure and notice/helpline details on site for the public;
- route management and early signing of diversions; and
- fee levels and limits were determined by the Regulations and designed for the recovery of costs (with an additional 12.4 FTE staff proposed) only. Additional costs could be recovered for any poor quality reinstatement.

N.B. presentation attached to these minutes of this meeting and additional information on the Scheme was available at: www.devon.gov.uk/worksp permit-scheme

* **91** **Petitions/Parking Policy Reviews**

There was no petition received from a Member of the public or the Council.

* **92** **Annual Waiting Restriction Review**

The Committee considered the Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/96) following the advertisement of the Teignbridge Annual Waiting Restriction Review 2019 Traffic Order.

Two of the advertised proposals were considered further by the Committee, i.e:

(a) ENV5715-05 Ipplepen, Fore St

Further representations had been received from the Parish Council supporting the original proposal to introduce (No Loading At Any Time) and not the recommendation outlined in the Officer's Report. The local County Councillor (not present at the meeting) had also submitted written comments explaining his support for the Parish Council's view. Officers had further reviewed the objections received to the advertised Order and confirmed the view that as objections had been received to No Loading at Any Time these would have to be considered through a public enquiry with costs identified in excess of £20,000. The Waiting Restriction programme purpose was to deliver non contentious waiting restrictions hence the Officer's Report recommendation.

(b) ENV5715-51 Denbury, East Street (etc)

The local County Councillor explained his discussions with the Parish Council who had tried various measures unsuccessfully to discourage inappropriate, obstructive parking and damage to the War memorial. Given the historic nature of the area the Parish Council only wished to have the Order implemented as a last resort. The local County Councillor therefore supported approval (to save any subsequent advertisement costs) but that the implementation only be carried out in accordance with normal delegation procedures, in case the Parish Council were still able to find an alternative appropriate solution.

In discussing other proposals for Teignbridge, Officers would also be having further discussions with local County Councillors in relation to Pottery Road Bovey Tracey and Haytor Drive Newton Abbot.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Clatworthy and **SECONDED** by Councillor Barker and

RESOLVED:

(a) that the work on the annual waiting restrictions programme process for 2019/2020 be noted;

(b) that the recommendations contained in Appendix II to Report (HIW/19/96) be approved, subject to:-

ENV5715-51 Denbury, East Street (etc) – that the Proposal to Introduce No Waiting At Any Time be approved as advertised, but the implementation of the Traffic Order be delegated to the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste in consultation with the Chair and Local County Councillor.

* **93** **Fore Street, Bishopsteignton - Provision of Mandatory Disabled Parking Bay**

The Committee considered the Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/97) on an application meeting the County Council's criteria for a disabled parking bay.

The Parish Council had objected to the proposal. The local County Councillor had had discussions with the Parish Council explaining his reasons for supporting the application.

The Committee understood the comments of Members both for and against this proposal, including that whilst a disabled parking bay was available for use by any disabled person, the location could sometimes cause parking difficulties within local communities.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Peart and **SECONDED** by Councillor Clatworthy and

RESOLVED: that

(a) the contents of this report be noted and;

(b) the proposal for the mandatory disabled parking bay at Fore Street, Bishopsteignton is implemented as advertised and the traffic regulation order in respect of the disabled parking bay is made and sealed.

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Ogwell to Newton Abbot Town Centre Shared Use Path

The Committee considered the Report of the Head of Planning, Transportation and Environment (PTE/19/43) to help provide a safe walking and cycling route between Ogwell and Newton Abbot, a new off-road shared use path was proposed.

The local County Councillors welcomed this scheme to improve sustainable transport and support healthy lifestyles within the Newton Abbot area.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor G Hook and **SECONDED** by Councillor Gribble and

RESOLVED:

(a) that the construction of the Beverly Way, Ogwell to Steppes Meadow, Newton Abbot, Shared Use Path be approved at an estimated cost of £208,502;

(b) that any land required for the scheme be acquired by negotiation and if necessary, by Compulsory Purchase Orders and associated statutory orders;

(c) that the scheme be constructed in stages as the legal agreements are made with the relevant landowners. The overall route (as set out in Appendix 1 of Report PTE/19/43) consists of:

(i) improvements at the junction of Steppes Meadow with the A381 be approved to construction (as set out in Appendix 2 of Report PTE/19/43);

(ii) a new shared use path between Beverley Way and the existing path in Bakers Park be approved to construction (as set out in Appendix 3 of Report PTE/19/43);

(iii) further smaller scale improvements from Beverley Way/A381 to Bunting Close be approved to design and consultation;

(d) that Steppes Meadow, Newton Abbot and the linking footway between Bunting Close, Ogwell and the A381 Totnes Road be advertised under the Highways Act 1980 to be converted to Highway Maintainable at Public Expense (HMPE) (as set out in Appendix 1 of Report PTE/19/43); and

(e) that the Head of Planning, Transportation and Environment be given delegated powers, in consultation with the Chair of HATOC and the Local County Councillor(s), to make minor amendments to the above.

* **95** **Actions Taken Under Delegated Powers**

The Committee received the Report (HIW/19/98) of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste on actions taken in respect of Traffic Regulation Orders under delegated powers following consultation with the Chair and local County Councillors, on various roads in Teignbridge.

* **96** **Calendar of Meetings**

5 March 2020
11 June 2020
5 November 2020
4 March 2021

All meetings to be held at 10.30am at Teignbridge District Council, Forde House, Newton Abbot.

Please use link below for County Council Calendar of Meetings;
<http://democracy.devon.gov.uk/mgCalendarMonthView.aspx?GL=1&bcr=1>

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

The Meeting started at 10.30 am and finished at 11.45 am