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MID DEVON HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC ORDERS COMMITTEE

Thursday, 27th July, 2023

A meeting of the Mid Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee is to be held on the above date at 10.30 am at Mid Devon District Council, Phoenix House, Tiverton EX16 6PP to consider the following matters.

> Donna Manson Chief Executive

AGENDA

PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE

1 <u>Election of Chair and Vice Chair</u>

(NB: In accordance with the County Council's Constitution, the Chair and Vice-Chair must be County Councillors)

- 2 Apologies for Absence
- 3 Minutes (Pages 1 4)

Minutes of the meeting held on 17 March 2023, attached.

4 <u>Items Requiring Urgent Attention</u>

Items which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered at the meeting as matters of urgency.

5 Bus Users and Stakeholders (BUS) Forum

Update from Committee representative

MATTERS FOR DECISION

6 Local Waiting Restriction Programme (Pages 5 - 14)

Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET/23/58)

Electoral Divisions(s): All in Mid Devon

7 <u>Action Taken Under Delegated Powers</u> (Pages 15 - 16)

Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET/23/59)

Electoral Divisions(s): Cullompton & Bradninch; Tiverton East; Willand & Uffculme

STANDING ITEMS

8 Petitions/Parking Policy Reviews

[An item to be taken under s18 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 relating to any reviews of parking policy sought in line with the Council's <u>Petition Scheme</u>.]

9 Items for Future Meetings

MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

10 <u>Dates for Future HATOC Meetings</u>

The following dates have been agreed:

24 October 2023 and 29 February 2024

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MID DEVON HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC ORDERS COMMITTEE 17/03/23

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17 March 2023

Present:-

Councillors J Berry (Chair), R Chesterton and C Slade

Apologies:-

Councillors R Radford, F Letch MBE, M Squires and E Brookes-Hocking

Members attending in accordance with Standing Order 25

Councillor G Barnell

* 27 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2022 be signed as a correct record.

* 28 Items Requiring Urgent Attention

There was no item raised as a matter of urgency.

29 <u>Traffic Sensitive Routes Review</u>

The committee considered the report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET/23/2) on the Traffic Sensitive Streets Review 2023.

It was explained that Devon County Council had a statutory duty to coordinate works activities on the road network which included the power to designate certain streets at 'traffic sensitive.' This designation allows works on a road to be better regulated to ensure freer flow of traffic. It was considered likely following the consultation that changes to legal powers would follow and some roads within Devon would be undesignated as 'traffic sensitive.'

Statutory consultation was proposed for April 2023 to include consultation with County Councillors. Members requested that information on what roads were designated as 'traffic sensitive' within their wards be circulated by officers.

Members noted the report.

* 30 Bus Users and Stakeholders (BUS) Forum

The Committee noted the establishment of the Bus Users and Stakeholders (BUS) Forum by the Devon Bus Enhanced Partnership Board under the new

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Enhanced Partnership arrangements (more information on the Travel Devon website: DevonBus Enhanced Partnership - Travel Devon)

RESOLVED that Councillor R Chesterton be appointed to the Bus Users and Stakeholders (BUS) Forum as this Committee's representative.

* 31 Speed limits on the A377

(Councillor G Barnell attended in accordance with Standing Order 25 and spoke to this item.)

Members received an update on progress since the last meeting of this committee on the A377 in which it was recommended that the SCARF process be utilised.

Officers explained that surveys had been undertaken at three locations on the A377 and had been passed on to a specialist for review.

Members noted the update.

* 32 Newton St Cyres New School - Speed Limit and Road Signage

(In accordance with Standing Order 23(2), Councillor F Letch had requested that the Committee consider this matter.)

(Councillor G Barnell attended in accordance with Standing Order 25 and spoke to this item.)

This had been raised due to concern regarding road usage around Newton St Cyres Primary School on Station Road, in particular the volume of traffic, both moving and parked and its impact on visibility and potential safety.

Officers were willing to assess the potential use of wig-wag lights to warn road users regarding the presence of the school, as they agreed that the presence of a school at that location was inconspicuous. They also advised that any proposed waiting restrictions would have to follow the formal Local Waiting Restriction Programme process.

* 33 Delegated Powers

Members received the report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET23/23) which advised on traffic orders progressed since the last meeting of this committee, with such actions taken under delegated powers.

Members noted the report.

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* 34 <u>Petitions/Parking Policy Reviews</u>

There was no current petition for a parking review from a member of the public relating to Mid Devon.

* 35 <u>Items for Future Meetings</u>

There were no items raised for consideration at future meetings.

* 36 <u>Dates for Future HATOC Meetings</u>

Dates for future meetings were noted as:

27 July 202324 October 202329 February 2024

NOTES:

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* DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT

The Meeting started at 10.30 am and finished at 10.47 am

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Local Waiting Restriction Programme

Report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.

1) Recommendation

That the Committee be asked to:

- (a) note the work on the local waiting restriction programme; and
- (b) agree the recommendations contained in Appendix 2 to this report.

2) Background

In October 2022, a list of requests for new or amended waiting restrictions for the area was collated by the council. These requests have been considered by officers and proposals drafted. Officers have consulted the relevant local County Councillors and Chair/Vice Chair before they were advertised from 9 May until 2 June 2023.

A summary of the proposals advertised can be found in Appendix 1 and the associated plans have been attached as supplementary information to this report.

3) Consultations/Representations

Details of the objections received to these proposals, and the County Council's response are shown in Appendix 2 to this report.

Following advertisement:

- Proposals which did not attract objections will be implemented.
- Proposals that received objections are detailed in Appendix 2 to this report with recommendations for each location.

4) Strategic Plan

The restrictions proposed support the priorities in the Strategic Plan as they aim to improve road safety to improve health and wellbeing and to better manage traffic and parking in the areas to respond to the climate emergency and support sustainable economic recovery.

5) Financial Considerations

The total costs of the scheme will be funded from the Minor Traffic Management Improvements budget, funded by Local Transport Plan grant.

There is a cost to the Council in advertising a new Traffic Order for each Committee Area, this will be approximately £1,500. In addition, the costs of any changes to signing or lining will be attributed to that Order.

6) Legal Considerations

The lawful implications and consequences of the proposal have been considered and taken into account in the preparation of this report.

When making a Traffic Regulation Order it is the County Council's responsibility to ensure that all relevant legislation is complied with. This includes Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 that states that it is the duty of a local authority, so far as practicable, secures the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic and provision of parking facilities. It is considered that the proposals comply with Section 122 of the Act as they practically secure the safe and expeditious movement of traffic.

7) Environmental Impact Considerations (Including Climate Change, Sustainability and Socio-economic)

The proposals are intended to rationalise on street parking and improve mobility and access within the district and are designed to:

- Enable enforcement to be undertaken efficiently.
- Encourage commuters to make more sustainable travel choices e.g. Car Share, Public Transport, Walking and Cycling.
- Assist pedestrians and other vulnerable road users in crossing the highway.

The Environmental effects of the scheme are therefore positive.

8) Equality Considerations

There are not considered to be any equality issues associated with the proposals. The impact will therefore be neutral.

9) Risk Management Considerations

No risks have been identified.

10) Summary/Conclusions/Reasons for Recommendations

The proposals rationalise existing parking arrangements within the HATOC area by:

- Enabling enforcement to be undertaken efficiently.
- Encouraging those working in the town to make more sustainable travel choices e.g. Car Share, Public Transport, Walking and Cycling.
- Assist pedestrians and other vulnerable road users in crossing the highway.

The proposals contribute to the safe and expeditious movement of traffic in the area and therefore comply with Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

Meg Booth

Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport

Electoral Divisions: All in Mid Devon

Local Government Act 1972: List of background papers

Background Paper Nil

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Appendix 1 to CET/23/58

Details of Proposals Advertised

Councillor	Plan Reference	Location	Parish/ Town	Proposals	Statement of Reasons
Frank Letch	ENV6033-89	Churchill Drive	Crediton	Extend existing "No Waiting at Any Time" on West side of Churchill Drive from its junction with Alexandra Road to the "Advisory Disabled Bay".	To prevent obstructive parking.
Frank Letch	ENV6033-50	Church Street	Crediton	Replace "Access Protection Marking" at the entrance of Holy Cross Church to "No Waiting At Any Time".	To prevent obstructive parking.
Frank Letch	ENV6033-34	St Martins Lane	Crediton	Extend existing "No Waiting at Any Time" on the East side of St Martin's Lane, southward in front of the properties Dell Quay and Trebarwith and upgrade both "School Keep Clear (Advisory)" markings to "School Keep Clear (Mandatory)".	To prevent obstructive parking.
Richard Chesterton	ENV6033- 11	Bolham Lane	Bolham	Introduction of a Bus Bay outside of Bolham Primary School.	To prevent obstructive parking.

Appendix 2 to CET/23/58

Summary of Submissions

ENV6033-89 Churchill Drive, Crediton

2 respondents - 1 resident of Churchill Drive and 1 response from Town Council

Comments

Devon County Council Response

2 respondents support proposals.

Supporting arguments:

- · Restricted road space is mainly due to non-residents parking.
- Resident states that non-residents do not consider emergency and refuse services needing access.
- Resident states access must already be difficult for emergency vehicles and refuse collectors, without cars being parked thoughtlessly.

Reason for Proposal:

Extend existing "No Waiting at Any Time" on West side of Churchill Drive from its junction with Alexandra Road to the "Advisory Disabled Bay" to prevent obstructive parking.

Officer comments:

Support Noted.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the proposals are implemented as advertised.

ENV6033-50 Church Street, Crediton

2 respondents - 1 resident of Church Street and 1 response from Town Council

Comments

Devon County Council Response

1 respondent (Crediton Town Council) supports and 1 opposes the proposals.

Objections:

- Church Street already has very limited parking capacity.
- Church Street has a high demand for parking.
- Resident states that there is a longstanding voluntary informal agreement concerning allowing space for Church events.
- The proposed area for parking restriction is not needed by the Church on a regular or a continual basis.
- Restrictions will make the parking situation worse.
- Restrictions would have no benefit to the Church or residents.

Reason for Proposal:

Replace "Access Protection Marking" at the entrance of Holy Cross Church to "No Waiting At Any Time" to prevent obstructive parking.

Officer comments:

Parking is only permitted at locations where it does not cause an obstruction to traffic and we have received reports of obstructive parking at this location.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the proposals are implemented as advertised.

ENV6033-34 St Martins Lane, Crediton 1 respondent - 1 response from Town Council Comments **Devon County Council Response** 1 respondent support the proposals. **Reason for Proposal:** Extend existing "No Waiting at Any Time" on the East side of St Martin's Lane, **Additional Info:** southward in front of the properties Dell Respondent states that reducing Quay and Trebarwith and upgrade both carparking amenity will increase traffic "School Keep Clear (Advisory)" markings speed along the lane. to "School Keep Clear (Mandatory)" to prevent obstructive parking. Officer comments: Support noted.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the proposals are implemented as advertised.

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Actions Taken Under Delegated Powers

Report of the Director for Climate Change, Environment and Transport

Please note that the following recommendation is subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.

1) Recommendation

It is recommended that the report be noted.

2) Summary

In accordance with Minute *4 of the Meeting of this Committee on 9 July 2021 this report details the actions taken in respect of traffic regulation orders under Delegated Powers since the last meeting.

3) Actions on Advertised Traffic Orders

Since the last meeting of this Committee, a number of Traffic Orders have been progressed and where objections have been received, these have been dealt with by a consultation with the Chair and local County Councillors. Details of these matters are listed below.

Location	Proposal	Action
A361, Tiverton	Introduction of clearway on new slip road.	Traffic regulation order advertised and restrictions implemented following consultation with local member and HATOC Chair as no objections received.
Various	Amendment to Weight	Traffic regulation orders advertised,
Roads,	Limit to allow vehicles on	objections resolved and restrictions
Cullompton	official National Highways	implemented following consultation with
and Willand	diversion route.	local member and Chair.

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Electoral Divisions: Cullompton & Bradninch, Tiverton East and Willand & Uffculme

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