

REGULATORY COMMITTEE



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE held at COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE on WEDNESDAY 2 MARCH 2005.

PRESENT:

Mr M Connolly (Chairman), Mr PG Allnatt, Mr BE Atfield, Mr WS Braid, Mr PR Davis, Mr JP Johnson, Mr A Molland, Mr AI Moore, Mr CEG Read, Mrs P Rugg, Mrs MSN Taylor and Mr IC West.

Mr TW Carbin, Mr P Fox, Miss MF de Rhé-Philipe, Mrs MEM Groom, Mr C Newbury, Mr JB Osborn and Mr TR Sturgis and also attended the meeting.

19. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Resolved: To confirm and sign the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 2 February 2005.

20. **Members' Interests** The following members declared interests as follows:-

- Mr WS Braid declared a personal interest in agenda item no. 12, Commons Registration Act 1965 (as amended) – Application for the Registration of a Town Green: Land at Penleigh Park, Westbury (see Minute No. 25 below) (see Minute No. below) as he had been negotiating with concerned parties in order to seek agreement on the way forward. He would leave the meeting for consideration of this item.
- Mr C Newbury declared a personal interest in agenda item no. 12, Commons Registration Act 1965 (as amended) – Application for the Registration of a Town Green: Land at Penleigh Park, Westbury (see Minute No. 25 below) (see Minute No. below) as he assisted the applicant in preparing her case. He would however, as the local member, take part in the discussion, with the permission of the Chairman.

21. **Petition - Corsley: Heavy Goods Vehicles on Road A362** At the beginning of this item, Mr S Butler on behalf of CRAWL (Corsley Requires A Weight Limit), Mr M Holley, Chairman of Corsley Parish Council and Mr R Devlin, a local resident made statements in support of the petition to which the Chairman responded.

On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services,

Resolved:

- (1) *To note the views of the Environment Advisory Panel and the intention to present weight limit proposals to this Committee in July 2005.*
- (2) *To inform the petitioners accordingly.*

22. **Local Transport Plan – Programme for Integrated Transport Schemes in 2005-06** On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services and on hearing the views of local members,

Resolved:

- (1) *To note the feedback from the Government on the 2004 Local Transport Plan Annual Progress Report.*
- (2) *To approve the proposed funding allocations for integrated transport projects in the County in 2005-06, as set out in tables A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, M and N of Appendix 1 to the Director's report.*
- (3) *To approve the Local Safety Scheme funding for 2005-06 being used towards minor engineering improvements as appropriate at the sites listed in tables J, K and L of Appendix 1 of the report.*

23. **Traffic Management Report 2005** At the beginning of this item:-

- Mr P Vincent, a local resident, presented a petition requesting traffic restrictions in The Hamlet, Chippenham and made a statement in support of this petition.
- Mr P Richards, a local resident, made a statement in support of the introduction of a 30 mph speed restriction in The Fox and Church End, Purton.
- Mr F Harding, a resident of Mildenhall, made a statement in support of the introduction of a 40 mph speed restriction and interactive signage on Road C6 east of Marlborough.

The Chairman expressed his thanks for the statements which, he said, would be taken into account during the respective debates on each issue.

Consideration was given to a report by the Director of Environmental Services on Traffic Management Schemes to be considered for implementation in 2005-06. The Committee also received a paper from Mr AS Cockle, a resident of Mere, requesting improved walking and cycling conditions in Castle Street and the Square, Mere.

On hearing the views of local members,

Resolved:

- (1) *To approve the allocations listed in Appendix 1 of the report for Village Speed Limits, Gateways, Partnership Schemes and Non-Mandatory Disabled Spaces to be progressed from the Traffic Management Revenue Budget in 2005-06.*
- (2) *To note the timetable for the introduction of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement in North Wiltshire and Kennet Districts.*
- (3) *To not accede to the requests for lorry controls on Westfield Road, Trowbridge, Roads C111, C132 & C135 Hilmarton area, Road C288 Porton and a one-way arrangement in Chapel Lane, Ludgershall.*
- (4) *To not progress schemes for Hawkeridge Road, Yarnbrook and The Hamlet, Chippenham in 2005-06 unless partnership funding is available.*
- (5) *To consider the request for traffic management measures in Devizes at the time of the review of the Devizes Transport Plan.*

24. **Lydiard Tregoze: Studley Grange Landfill Site – Six Monthly Report on Waste Vehicle Movements** On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services and on hearing the views of Mrs MEM Groom, the local member,

Resolved: *To note that the number of waste vehicles going to landfill at the Studley Grange Landfill Site over a six month period to 31 January 2005 has not exceeded the 45 vehicles per day limit, and that a further assessment would be undertaken in 12 months' time.*

25. **Commons Registration Act 1965 (as amended) – Application for the Registration of a Town Green: Land at Penleigh Park, Westbury** At the beginning of this item, Mr E Manasseh, a resident of Westbury and Mr F Morland, a resident of Chapmanslade, made statements requesting that the Committee defers consideration of this matter in order to allow time for the consideration of the Court of Appeal's recent judgement, to which the Chairman responded.

On considering a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services and on hearing the views of Mr C Newbury, the local member,

Resolved: *In the light of the Court of Appeal's recent judgement, to appoint a barrister, experienced in Commons Registration Law, as an Inspector to hold a non-statutory local inquiry and to make a recommendation to the Committee on the application by Mrs Susan Illsley to register land at Penleigh Park, Westbury as a town green.*

26. **Request for Continuation of Crossing Patrol at Sambourne Primary School, Warminster** On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services,

Resolved:

- (1) *To discontinue the funding of the salary of the school crossing patrol post serving Sambourne Primary School.*
- (2) *To make an offer to the school of free uniform, equipment, insurance and training.*

27. Exclusion of the Public

Resolved: To agree, that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the public from the meeting for the business specified in Minute Number 28, because it is likely that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 5 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.

28. Appeal for Post 16 Transport Assistance from Warminster to the City of Bath College On considering a confidential report by the Director of Environmental Services,

Resolved: *To refuse transport assistance to the City of Bath College from the applicant's home in Warminster, on the grounds that a course at a closer establishment existed which would allow the applicant to meet her career aspirations and for which transport assistance for this journey would be available from the County Council under existing policy.*

(Duration of meeting: 10.30am – 1.05pm)

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