

To be submitted to the Council at its meeting on 19th September 2019

PORTFOLIO HOLDER – ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT

5th AUGUST 2019

PRESENT: Councillor S Swinburn (in the Chair)

Officers in attendance:

Clive Tritton	Interim Director of Economy and Growth
Hannah Dixon	Solicitor
Chris Duffill	Assistant Director of Strategy and Investment
Debbie Swatman	Traffic Team Manager
Phil McConnell	Operations Director - Engie
Lisa Logan	Strategic Lead – Bereavement Services
Martin Lear	Principal Transport Officer
Zoe Campbell	Scrutiny and Committee Advisor

PH.ETE.4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made with regard to any items on the agenda for this meeting.

PH.ETE.5 PEDAL AND STRIDE TO ECONOMIC GROWTH SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL ACCESS FUND PROGRAMME 2018/19 OUTPUTS

The Portfolio Holder considered a report that summarised progress towards delivering the Council's Pedal and Stride to Economic Growth project during 2018/19. During the year, the project team worked with a range of partners to deliver initiatives that had successfully resulted in an increase in the number of people travelling to work and school using more sustainable modes, a summary of the main successes this year was presented in paragraph 1.7 of the report. The Chair welcomed the report and the success that had been achieved to date. He highlighted the work with other agencies, through the local transport plan, to promote cycling and walking schemes across the borough and the benefits this would bring to the environment and people's health and wellbeing.

RESOLVED – That the report be approved for circulation to all Members for information.

PH.ETE.6 TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS – ABBEY AREA – RESIDENTS PARKING SCHEME

The Portfolio Holder considered a report that proposed to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order for a Residents Parking Scheme within the identified area shown on drawing TR-18-22-V2 in Appendix A. The scheme would incorporate additional waiting restrictions to prohibit the waiting of vehicles where parking was not appropriate and a two hour Limited Waiting provision to allow short stay parking for visitors.

The Chair deferred the report to the next Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport meeting in September 2019 to allow for further enquiry into the residents parking scheme.

RESOLVED – That this matter be deferred to the next Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport meeting in September 2019.

PH.ETE.7 NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL TRANSPORT SCHEME (LTP) UPDATE – END OF QUARTER FOUR

The Portfolio Holder considered a report that provided an update on progress made in delivering the council's LTP capital programme 2018/19 to the end of Quarter 4.

RESOLVED – That the Local Transport Plan Quarterly Update be approved for circulation to all Members.

PH.ETE.8 **REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES IN BEREAVEMENT SERVICES**

The Portfolio Holder considered a report to review the fees and charges in Bereavement Services.

Ms Logan gave an overview into the fees and charges for Bereavement Services across North East Lincolnshire. She explained that officers had consulted with funeral directors and welcomed their feedback into the new policy. She added that further consultation would be taking place before the roll out in September 2019.

The Chair enquired how many funeral directors were involved in the consultation. Ms Logan confirmed all were invited and there were three who attended the meeting.

The Chair welcomed the new policy, which would maintain timely operation of services and crematorium and had taken into consideration business and service users' interests at a difficult time.

RESOLVED –

- (1) The current over-run fee for services exceeding booked time be removed.
- (2) That the principles of a good practice guide for business users of Grimsby Crematorium be agreed, together with an assurance system to monitor compliance.
- (3) That the revised fees and charges for services bookings, as set out in Appendices 2 of the report now submitted, be approved for implementation from 1st September, 2019 for any Funeral Director not signed up to or having achieved compliance with the approved good practice guide.
- (4) That a review of the effectiveness of the new arrangements take place after 12 months to ensure the changes implemented have achieved the objectives set.

PH.ETE.9 TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER – VARIOUS LOCATIONS – SCHOOL PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The Portfolio Holder considered a report that proposed to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to amend existing waiting restrictions outside those schools listed in Appendix A. It was also proposed to introduce additional restrictions at some locations to prohibit the stopping and waiting of vehicles in order to reduce the potential for vehicle and pedestrian conflict.

The Chair acknowledged there were parking issues outside schools and there was a reliance on people parking safely when taking children to school. He felt reassured that the TRO's would help to enforce the restrictions.

Ms Swatman referred to the report and confirmed it proposed enforceable waiting restrictions for all schools across the borough. She explained that

a comprehensive review and consultation had taken place with schools and local residents.

The Chair reiterated that children's safety was paramount whilst appreciating the impact on residents at school drop off and pick up times. He was reassured that the TRO's would help achieve this.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That, subject to a formal consultation and no material objections being received, approval be granted for the making of a traffic regulation order that would incorporate all of the changes to parking restrictions detailed in Appendix A of the report now submitted and shown indicatively on the drawings to Appendix B of the report now submitted.
- (2) That, in the event there were unresolved material objections to the order, these be referred back to the Portfolio Holder for determination and a decision, as to whether or not the traffic regulation order be confirmed.

PH.ETE.10 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT SCHEME UPDATE END OF QUARTER FOUR

The Portfolio Holder considered a report that set out a summary of the progress made in delivering highways and transport schemes to date, with specific reference to those schemes that had been delivered during the period January – March 2019.

The Chair asked for an update on the Nun's Corner scheme. Mr McConnell confirmed that the scheme was part of the Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership (GLLEP) Junction Improvement project but that this part of the project had been put on hold for the time being and that the GLLEP would be reallocating these funds to other projects. It was confirmed that the Nuns Corner part of the project was still substantially designed and could be revisited at a later date, at which point officers would look for funding options.

RESOLVED – That the highways and transport scheme update (as presented in section 1.3 of the report now submitted) be approved for circulation to all members for information.

PH.ETE.11 **TRACKING REPORT**

The Portfolio Holder received the tracking report tracking the recommendations of this Portfolio Holder.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

There being no further business, the Portfolio Holder closed the meeting at 10.55 a.m.