

BISHOPSTOKE, FAIR OAK AND HORTON HEATH LOCAL AREA
COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 10 March 2021 (7:00 pm – 8:56 pm)

PRESENT:

Councillor Couldrey (Chair); Councillors Parker-Jones, Dean, Rushton, Tidridge and Marsh

RESOLVED ITEMS (SUBJECT TO QUESTIONS ONLY)

32. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in relation to items of business on the agenda.

33. MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2020 be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

34. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation on this occasion.

35. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair reported that the Local Area Committee was extremely disappointed to see that, in addition to trees being removed without permission north of Allington Lane, further trees had been removed in without permission from Woodhouse Lane. The Committee were pleased to see the Borough were pursuing that disastrous episode.

The Chair proposed a motion, which was seconded, but an amendment was proposed and accepted:

This Local Area Committee regrets the failure of the highway authority to manage the roads in the area to help residents, businesses and visitors cope with increasing traffic.

This Committee calls on Hampshire County Council for increased transparency about its requirements for pedestrian crossings, traffic lights, weight restrictions and other traffic management arrangements and for flexibility in applying them to procure the safety comfort and convenience of residents.

This Committee specifically requests the County Council to consider with urgency,

- a. providing pedestrian crossings on Sandy Lane, Mortimers Lane, Botley Road, Allington Lane and Winchester Road;
- b. reviewing traffic arrangements at the south end of Underwood Road to include better safety arrangements for travel to school;
- c. reviewing the traffic lights at the Riverside junction with Bishopstoke/ Fair Oak road and the phasing of the lights on the adjacent pedestrian crossing;
- d. HGVs (classified by height, weight and length) to be banned from Mortimers Lane south west of Knowle Lane and Bishopstoke Lane; and
- e. traffic lights or a roundabout at the Allington Lane junction with Fair Oak Road.

This Committee notes the allocation of £900,000 of funding made by this Council to address traffic issues on Bishopstoke Road and urges the County Council to move forward without further delay on congestion issues along this road into Eastleigh including at Chickenhall Lane roundabout and at Twyford Road/Romsey Road/Southampton Road.

RESOLVED –

The motion was APPROVED (amended).

36. VARIOUS ROADS TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)

The Committee considered the report of the Traffic Management Engineer (Agenda Item 6) concerning Traffic Regulation Orders for the Bishopstoke, Fair Oak and Horton Heath area.

RESOLVED –

It was recommended that:

1. **Waiting and parking restrictions were introduced as advertised on the following roads:**

Breach Lane, Dartington Road, Bow Lake Gardens, Sedgwick Road, White Road, Nelson Road, Sandy Lane, Winifred Close, Bishops Court, Fair Oak Road, and Church Road and Longmead Avenue (except as described in points 2 and 3 below);

2. **The proposed “No waiting Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm” restriction on Church Road Bishopstoke was withdrawn;**

3. The proposed “No waiting at any time” restrictions were reduced in length on the following roads: Church Road at its junction with Dartington Road, Longmead Avenue at its junction with Church Road, Edward Road at its junction with White Road, Stoke Park Road at its junction with Sedgwick Road;
4. (4) An amendment was made to the provisions of the Borough of Eastleigh (Bishopstoke, Fair Oak and Horton Heath) Consolidation Order 2017 (as amended) such that up to six Disabled Person’s Parking bays could be introduced as required in any road within the Local Area which currently contains at least one Disabled Person’s Parking bay.

(NOTE: One member of the public wrote a statement in support of the withdrawal of the TRO at Longmead Avenue junction with Church Road, citing it would, with hindsight, not be beneficial to the church as was originally intended.)

37. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Committee considered a report by the Local Area Manager (Agenda item 7) setting out a recommendation for expenditure from the Committee’s developer contributions and New Homes Bonus.

RESOLVED –

It was recommended that the Committee proposed to **AGREE** items 1 – 14, **EXCLUDING** item 3 as Itchen Valley Country Park is not in Bishopstoke, Fair Oak and Horton Heath’s area.

38. LOCAL AREA ACTION PLAN 2021/22

The Local Area Action Plan for 2021/2022 (Agenda item 8) was outlined by the Local Area Manager.

RESOLVED –

That the Committee approved the Local Area Action Plan 2021/2022 for Bishopstoke, Fair Oak and Horton Heath.

39. PLANNING APPEALS

The Legal Services Manager reported:-

- (a) that the following appeal had been lodged:-

Mortimers Farm, Mortimers Lane, Fair Oak, Eastleigh. SO50 7EA

Appeal against the Council's refusal of planning permission for alterations and conversion of existing barns to form 4 dwellings and construction of 7 dwellings following demolition of modern agricultural buildings. (F/19/86151)

This was a delegated decision.

RESOLVED -

That the report be noted.

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