

## Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Environment (including Transport)

Thursday, 15 November 2018 at 10.00 am Committee Rooms 1 & 2, County Hall, New Road, Oxford

### Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on Friday 23 November 2018 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

Copies of the reports are circulated (by e-mail) to all members of the County Council.

### These proceedings are open to the public

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Note: Date of next meeting: 20 December 2018

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## **Items for Decision**

#### 1. Declarations of Interest

### 2. Questions from County Councillors

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am two working days before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

#### 3. Petitions and Public Address

## 4. Burford Weight Limit (Pages 1 - 6)

Forward Plan Ref: 2018/119

Contact: Owen South, Senior Transport Planner Tel: 07932 605693

Report by Director for Planning & Place (CMDE4).

This report seeks Cabinet Member approval in principle for an 18 month experimental environmental weight limit covering the length of Burford High Street between the A40 roundabout to the south and the A361/A424 junction just north of Burford Bridge.

The town council, local residents and local members of the county council have been campaigning for a weight limit for Burford for many years to address concerns about noise, vibration, air pollution and road safety issues associated with lorry traffic as well as the negative impact on the town's tourist economy.

However, this is being taken forwards on a temporary, experimental basis initially because of concerns raised in traffic modelling work that lorries might divert via other towns and villages, transferring these problems there instead. This would not be acceptable but there is some scepticism about how accurately it is possible to predict such diversion and an expectation that much of the lorry traffic diverting away from Burford would do so via major A roads and motorways, particularly in the case of long distance lorry traffic. Traffic monitoring will therefore be carried out at a number of key locations in order to identify any possible, adverse effects.

The cost of implementation, including the major costs of signing and enforcement, would be met by the local community. This project would be the first community funded weight limit in Oxfordshire and can be seen as a pilot for other such schemes elsewhere in future.

The details of enforcement and the operation of a permit scheme (for local access to locations outside Burford High Street for which avoiding the High Street would be too onerous) have yet to be finalised. The intention is to devolve a major part of enforcement activity to Burford Town Council. However, this requires further work by OCC Trading Standards and Legal Services; when this is concluded, a further report will be taken to CMD.

#### The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to

- (a) approve in principle an experimental weight limit order for Burford, subject to agreement on local funding, evaluation and success criteria, and enforcement arrangements as described above;
  - (b) request a further report setting out these proposals in detail for consideration at a future Cabinet Member for Environment Delegated Decisions meeting, to enable the scheme to be implemented subject to their approval.

# 5. Oxford: Various Locations - Proposed Amendments to parking and Loading Places (Pages 7 - 24)

Forward Plan Ref: 2018/106

Contact: Hugh Potter, Team Leader – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 99704

Report by Director for Infrastructure Operations (CMDE5).

The report presents responses received to a statutory consultation on proposals to amend parking and loading places in High Street, New Road and Little Clarendon Street, Oxford. These changes would allow the city council to carry out the necessary consultation for changes to taxi rank provision in these locations.

#### The Cabinet Member for the Environment is RECOMMENDED to:

- (a) approve the proposals as advertised for High Street and New Road and request that the city council carry out the necessary formal consultation on the provision of taxi ranks;
- (b) note the response to the proposals on Little Clarendon Street and request that the city council carry out the necessary formal consultation on the provision of the taxi rank.

## 6. Oxford - Proposed New and Amended Disabled Persons Parking Places (Pages 25 - 36)

Forward Plan Ref: 2018/144

Contact: Hugh Potter, Team Leader – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704

Report by Director for Infrastructure Operations (CMDE6).

The report presents responses received to a statutory consultation to amend, remove and introduce new disabled persons parking places (DPPPs) at various locations in Oxford.

#### The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to:

- a) approve the proposals for the additional new bays in Barns Road & Norreys Avenue;
- b) reject the proposal for the removal of the existing bay in Junction Road;
- c) approve the proposal to remove the description of the bay in Duke Street from the Traffic Regulation Order.

## 7. Proposed Traffic Calming Chicane B4009 Chinnor Road Kingston Blount (Pages 37 - 46)

Forward Plan Ref: 2017/119

Contact: Hugh Potter, Team Leader, Area Stewardship Hub Tel: 07766 998704

Report by Director for Infrastructure Operations (CMDE7).

The report presents responses received to a statutory consultation on revised proposals to install traffic calming measures on the B4009 Chinnor Road at Kingston Blount. The proposal follows concerns raised by Aston Rowant Parish Council who are funding the scheme on the speed of traffic on the B4009 Chinnor Road and High Street at Kingston Blount.

The Cabinet Member for the Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve proposals to install traffic calming measures on the B4009 High Street at Kingston Blount as advertised subject to a satisfactory road safety audit.