

## DELEGATED DECISIONS BY DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the meeting held on Thursday, 7 June 2012 commencing at 10.00 am and finishing at 10.18 am

**Present:**

**Voting Members:** Councillor Rodney Rose – in the Chair

**Other Members in Attendance:** Councillor Alan Armitage (for Agenda Items 4 and 6)

**Officers:**

Whole of meeting G. Warrington (Law and Governance); M. Kemp (Environment & Economy)

Part of meeting

**Agenda Item**

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**Officer Attending**

N. Cunning (Environment & Economy)

A. Prior and D. Gildea (Environment & Economy)

L. Turner (Environment & Economy)

*The Deputy Leader of the Council considered the matters, reports and recommendations contained or referred to in the agenda for the meeting, together with a schedule of addenda tabled at the meeting and decided as set out below. Except as insofar as otherwise specified, the reasons for the decisions are contained in the agenda, reports and schedule, copies of which are attached to the signed Minutes.*

### 6/12 PETITIONS AND PUBLIC ADDRESS

(Agenda No. 3)

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Item</i>
Councillor Alan Armitage	4. Community Asset Transfer Policy
Angela MacKeith	5. North Hinksey Lane (West), Botley Oxford – Proposed Prohibition of Right Turn onto West Way and Revocation of No-entry Restriction
Councillor Alan Armitage	6. Proposed Zebra Crossing – Denchworth Road, Grove

## **7/12 COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER POLICY**

(Agenda No. 4)

The Deputy Leader of the Council considered revisions to the Community Asset Transfer Policy, as approved by Cabinet in June 2011.

Councillor Armitage welcomed the changes.

Having regard to the arguments and options set out in the documentation before him, the representations made to him and the further considerations set out above the Deputy Leader of the Council confirmed his decision as follows:

to approve the revised Community Asset Transfer Policy for use in support of all future Big Society community asset transfers.

Signed  
Deputy Leader of the Council

Date

## **8/12 NORTH HINKSEY LANE (WEST), BOTLEY, OXFORD - PROPOSED PROHIBITION OF RIGHT TURN ONTO WEST WAY & REVOCATION OF NO-ENTRY RESTRICTION**

(Agenda No. 5)

The Deputy Leader of the Council considered a proposal to prohibit right turns from North Hinksey Lane (West) onto West Way and to revoke the prohibition of entry restriction from West Way as part of a scheme to improve traffic flow through the West Way, A34 slip road and Botley Road junction. He noted further representations which had been received from Malcolm Graham and Angela MacKeith, both opposing the proposals

Reiterating points raised in her written response to the consultation Angela MacKeith stated that while it might seem to some that the situation for the 7 properties, in what was effectively a traffic island, were insignificant in comparison to the problems on the Botley Road a great deal of traffic was in fact generated in this area, including large lorries. Parking was in fact a huge problem here and while a solution was needed she and others feared this proposal would only make things worse and the potential for improvements on the Botley Road did not seem to be enough to warrant increasing the misery for local residents. It was one thing to keep traffic flowing but she represented the views of residents and people in this area with other priorities and referred to support from the parish council, Cyclox and the local County Councillor.

Mr Prior confirmed that one section of the parish council had in fact supported the proposal although it was true that another section of the council had not. Commending the proposal, which he felt would offer more control, he confirmed that

Hinksey Lane West was currently two-way and parking would be monitored and restricted if necessary.

The Deputy Leader of the Council felt that the modelling process had indicated that the scheme would offer improvement and having regard to the arguments and options set out in the documentation before him, the representations made to him and the further considerations set out above he confirmed his decision as follows:

to approve the making of the Oxfordshire County Council (North Hinksey Lane, Botley, Oxford) (Prohibition of Right Turn) Order 20\*\* as advertised, but to ask officers to monitor the impact of the changes and the subsequent need for any further restrictions or amendments.

Signed  
Deputy leader of the Council

Date

**9/12 PROPOSED ZEBRA CROSSING - DENCHWORTH ROAD, GROVE**  
(Agenda No. 6)

The Deputy Leader of the Council considered objections and comments received to a consultation on a proposed zebra crossing on Denchworth Road, Grove. He acknowledged further representations which had been received from the school in support of the proposal and from Mr and Mrs Martin, residents of The Green who had objected to the proposal as part of the original consultation but who had submitted further representations.

Local County Councillors Zoe Patrick and Jenny Hannaby both supported the scheme.

Councillor Armitage also supported the proposal bearing in mind the high average speed of traffic on Denchworth Road and the obvious benefits to those wishing to cross.

Having regard to the arguments and options set out in the documentation before him, the representations made to him and the further considerations set out above the Deputy Leader of the Council confirmed his decision as follows:

to authorise the implementation of the zebra crossing on Denchworth Road, Grove as advertised.

Signed  
Deputy Leader of the Council

Date

