

Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Environment (including Transport)

Thursday, 21 January 2021 at 10.00 am Virtual

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Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with related reports attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on Friday 29 January 2021unless 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.

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Note: Date of next meeting: 25 February 2021

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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

This Cabinet Member for Environment Delegated Decisions meeting will be held virtually in order to conform with current guidelines regarding social distancing. Normally requests to speak at this public meeting are required by 9 am on the day preceding the published date of the meeting. However, during the current situation and to facilitate these new arrangements we are asking that requests to speak are submitted by no later than 9am four working days before the meeting i.e. 9 am on January. Requests speak should Friday 15 to graham.warrington@oxfordshire.gov.uk together with a written statement of your presentation to ensure that if the technology fails then your views can still be taken into account. The written copy of your statement can be provided no later than 9 am 2 working days before the meeting – Tuesday 19 January).

Where a meeting is held virtually and the addressee is unable to participate virtually their written submission will be accepted.

Written submissions should be no longer than 1 A4 sheet.

4. Oxford - Cowley Central Area (East): Proposed Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ)

Contact: Hugh Potter, Group Manager – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704/James Whiting Tel: 07584 581187

Report by Interim Director for Community Operations (CMDE6).

Following approval by the Cabinet Member for Environment at her 17th December Cabinet Member Delegated Decisions meeting for the introduction of the Cowley Centre (East) CPZ it has come to light that a petition submitted in objection was not presented within the officer report and recommendations.

In summary, the petition of 30 signatories (including lead petitioner) from residents of Barns Road and Lockheart Crescent requests that:

"We the residents of Cowley East Area would like to propose that the County Council do not approve the two cars per household restriction, as we believe it is unreasonable to limit residents' ability to lead an independent life and have flexibility to go to work. We also feel that visitor permits should be free. Cowley East is a working families resident area and we feel that we would struggle to afford your charges and ask your consideration as we are already struggling to afford our basic bills.

Vehicle allowance needs to be agreed per household. Possibly offer drop kerbs where possible at reduced prices, spaces for residents more in need and residents parking after 6-8pm."

It is noted that the petition while not objecting to the principle of the proposed CPZ for Cowley Centre (East) raises issues regarding the limit of permits per household and the equity of payment for those permits. Similar concerns were raised by other respondents during the consultation and these were carefully and comprehensively considered as part of the 17th December report and decision. County officers consider the petition raises no additional or new issues which might affect the Cabinet Member's earlier decision and that the scheme should now move forward to implementation.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is therefore requested to consider the content of the petition, determine whether or not any further action is required and if not reaffirm the 17th December decision to approve the Cowley Central Area (East): Proposed Controlled parking Zone scheme.

5. Oxford: Church Cowley, Temple Cowley and Florence Park Areas: Proposed Low Traffic Neighbourhood (Pages 1 - 32)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/164

Contact: Eric Owens, Assistant Director Growth & Place Tel: 07799 097637/Naomi

Barnes, Project Manager Tel: 07824 528681

Report by Assistant Director, Growth & Place, Communities (CMDE5).

Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (LTN's) were proposed for Oxford in the Oxford Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) as an effective way of promoting walking and cycling, in line with Council objectives of public health, decongestion, climate change and air quality. Temple Cowley, Church Cowley and Florence Park (Cowley) were chosen as priority areas in response to residents' complaints about traffic and to improve the cycle routes running through the neighbourhoods.

It is proposed that the Cowley LTNs will be introduced using Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders (ETROs). This allows the Council and residents to assess the

impacts before a decision is made regarding their permanency.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to

- a. note the responses received to the preliminary consultation on the Cowley Low Traffic Neighbourhoods
- b. approve proposals as consulted on for the introduction of traffic management measures in the Church Cowley, Temple Cowley and Florence Park areas in Oxford to create Low Traffic Neighbourhoods, including the introduction of Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders giving effect to the proposed modal filters within the LTNs, and associated waiting restrictions.
- approve minor changes from the consultation proposals in the light of consultation responses, namely:
 - i.To relocate the filter in Junction Road from south of Don Bosco Close to north of Salesian Gardens entry
 - ii.To permit taxis and private hire vehicles through the traffic filters which permit buses in Cornwallis Road and Bartholomew Road

6. Oxford - Oxford Road, Littlemore: Proposed Traffic Calming Measures (Pages 33 - 42)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/153

Contact: Hugh Potter, Group Manager – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704/Geoff Barrell, Senior Infrastructure Planner Tel: 07740 779859

Report by Interim Corporate Director Communities (CMDE6).

The report presents responses received to a statutory consultation on proposed traffic calming measures on Oxford Road in Littlemore which have been put forward as a result of a review of alternative options for traffic calming following the decision by the Cabinet Member for Environment on 18 June 2020 not to proceed with a zebra crossing and other measures consulted on in February and March 2020. Funding for the proposed measures was negotiated from the development of the Lawn Upton House site in nearby Sandford Road.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed traffic calming measures as advertised but to consider retaining the existing northern end buildout.

7. Oxford - Various Locations: Amendments to Parking Places to Accommodate New Electric Vehicle Charging Points (Pages 43 - 62)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/165

Contact: Hugh Potter, Group Manager – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704/Elizabeth Bohun, Lead Technologist EV Integration Tel: 07774 335687

Report by Interim Corporate Director Communities (CMDE7).

Provision of on-street charging apparatus for electric vehicles is reviewed in response to development proposals, assessments of demand carried out by officers and requests received from external bodies. Current proposals for charging points are delivered under the Go Ultra Low Oxford (GULO) strand of projects, which is funded by the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles and Oxford City Council and delivered in partnership with Oxfordshire County Council. T-GULO provides rapid charging for the taxi trade and O-GULO provides fast charging for car clubs and residents without access to off-street parking. The charge points will be funded by the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV) and Oxford City Council, with match funding contributions from EB Charging Lt and Franklin, under a revenue share agreement to cover operational cost.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposals as advertised for electric charging points for vehicles with the exception of the proposal for Barns Road, which it is recommended should not proceed in the light of the objections received.

8. Trial of E-Scooters (Pages 63 - 102)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/171

Contact: Eric Owens, Assistant Director Growth & Place Tel: 07799 097637 / Rob

Freshwater, Senior Transport Planner Tel: 07775 007926

Report by Assistant Director Growth and Place (CMDE8).

Oxfordshire County Council in its role as Local Highway Authority agreed to take part in a 12-month long trial of e-scooters within the county. The trial is being managed at a national level by the Department of Transport (DfT) who legislated for their trial use as part of local authority led hire operations on 4 July 2020. This report (i) provides the Cabinet Member with an update on the development of a rental e-scooter trial for the city of Oxford, and (ii) seeks approval for the rental e-scooter trial to operate in Oxfordshire. It also summarises a preliminary consultation with key stakeholders on the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) measures intended to be brought in to facilitate the use of e-scooters across Oxford. It should be noted that private e-scooters remain illegal and cannot be included in this trial.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to:

a. note the responses received to the preliminary consultation on the trial of escooters b. approve an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order to facilitate the use of public hire e-scooters (i.e. electrically powered) on the public highway across the Oxford urban area, including an initial launch within the Headington area of Oxford.

9. Oxford - East Oxford: Proposed Secure On-Street Pedal Cycle Parking Places (Pages 103 - 150)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/166

Contact: Hugh Potter, Group Manager – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704/Craig Rossington, Senior Transport Planner Tel: 07880 945891

Report by Interim Corporate Director Communities (CMDE9).

It is proposed to use money from the allocation from the Home Office Safer Streets Fund allocated to Thames Valley Police for the provision of secure on street cycle parking in eight streets between Iffley and Cowley Road from The Plain to Bullingdon Road. The report sets out responses to a consultation for provision of secure parking for 104 bicycles carried out in November and December last year. Whilst there were some common objections to the proposals in general as well as some specific objections/concerns about finer details, there was considerable support for the provision of additional secure cycle parking.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposals as advertised for secure on-street cycle parking in East Oxford except for the proposals at the north east end of Regent Street.

10. Oxford & Abingdon Various Locations: Proposed Disabled Persons Parking Places (Pages 151 - 166)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/159

Contact: Hugh Potter, Group Manager – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704

Report by Interim Corporate Director Communities (CMDE10).

Provision of Disabled Persons Parking Places is reviewed when requested by members of the public with specific proposals assessed applying national regulations and guidance on the suitability of providing new bays or amending or removing existing ones. The report presents representations received to a consultation on various locations.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed provision of Disabled Persons Parking Places (DPPP) at: Corunna Crescent; Flexney Place; Quartermain Close as advertised (with minor adjustments being made to accommodate concerns raised in the

consultation) and also to approve the removal of the DPPP in Mill Street as advertised.

But defer approval of the proposals at the following locations pending further investigations: Bourne Close; Divinity Road (removal).

11. Adderbury - Milton Road, Berry Hill Road and The Rise: Proposed 40mph Speed Limit, Traffic Calming Measures and Waiting Restrictions (Pages 167 - 200)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/160

Contact: Hugh Potter, Group Manager – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704

/ Mike Wasley, Principal Officer - Traffic Schemes Tel: 07393 001045

Report by Interim Corporate Director Communities (CMDE11).

The report presents responses to a statutory consultation to introduce a 40mph speed limit on the Milton Road in place of the existing national speed limit, the introduction of traffic calming chicanes on Berry Hill Road and Milton Road and no waiting at any time restrictions at the A4260 Banbury Road junction with The Rise following concerns being raised on traffic safety by Adderbury Parish Council and funded through S106 and OCC Third Party Support Schemes Budget.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to:

- a) approve the proposed 40mph speed limit on Milton Road limit as advertised;
- b) approve the proposed traffic calming chicanes on Berry Hill Road and Milton Road limit as advertised;
- c) approve the principle of waiting restrictions at the junction of the A4260 Banbury Road with The Rise but with the restrictions only to apply at times to be agreed following further local consultation with Adderbury Parish Council and affected residents, rather than at all times as advertised.

12. Banbury - A361 North of Banbury - Proposed 40mph & 50mph Speed Limits and Bus Stop Clearways (Pages 201 - 204)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/144

Contact: Hugh Potter, Group Manager – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704/Adam Barrett, Senior Engineer (Road Agreements Team – Cherwell &

West) Tel: 07919 175889

Report by Interim Corporate Director Communities (CMDE12).

The report presents responses received to a statutory consultation to introduce a 40mph speed limit and 50mph speed limit on the A361 in place of the existing

national speed limit and also bus stop clearways at new bus stops being provided in conjunction with the development of adjacent land. Funding for the proposals has been provided by the developers of adjacent land.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve proposed 40mph and 50mph speed limits and bus stop clearways on the A361 North of Banbury as advertised.

13. Bodicote - High Street Junction with White Post Road & Wykham Lane: Proposed Waiting Restrictions (Pages 205 - 212)

Forward Plan Ref: 2020/145

Contact: Hugh Potter, Group Manager – Area Operations Hub Tel: 07766 998704/Mike Wasley, Principal Officer – Traffic Schemes Tel: 07393 001045

Report by Interim Corporate Director Communities (CMDE13).

The report presents responses received to a statutory consultation to introduce waiting restrictions at the junction of High Street with White Post Road and Wykham Lane at Bodicote to reduce the risk of obstructive parking put forward by the local member Councillor Arash Fatemian to alleviate parking issues at this junction and improve safety and, if approved, funded through his Councillor Priority Fund.

The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve waiting restrictions as advertised at the High Street junction with White Post Road and Wykham Lane at Bodicote along with an extension to those proposals by up to 5 metres westwards on the north side of Wykham Lane subject to a detailed site inspection.