

DECISIONS OF THE CHIPPING BARNET AREA ENVIRONMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

24 NOVEMBER 2011

SUB-COMMITTEE:

- * Councillor Barry Evangelini (Chairman)
- * Councillor Rowan Turner (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors:

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| * Pauline Coakley Webb | \$David Longstaff | * Andreas Tambourides |
| * Alison Cornelius | * Brian Salinger | * Bridget Perry
(substituting for David Longstaff) |

*denotes Member present

\$ denotes Member absent on Council business

1. MINUTES (Agenda item 1)

For the purpose of accuracy the decision in relation to Item 6 – Matters referred from the Chipping Barnet Area Residents Forum was amended as follows:

“That Officers be instructed to reinstate the pedestrian crossing lights at the Oakleigh Road North/Whetstone High Road junction as soon as possible.”

RESOLVED – The amended decisions of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 20 September 2011 were agreed.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (Agenda item 2)

Apologies were received from Councillor David Longstaff who was absent on Council business.

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS’ PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (Agenda Item 3)

Member:	Subject:	Interest Declared:
Councillor Brian Salinger	Item 6 – Road Accident Locations	Personal and non prejudicial as Councillor Brian Salinger’s father was killed in a road accidents at a crossing on a road in the Borough.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (Agenda Item 4)

The following question was received from Mr Dix

Given that the stretch of road immediately adjacent to the junction of High Road and Oakleigh Road North has the highest Killed and Seriously Injured (KSI) rate of any junction in Barnet over the last 3 years why has the council ignored the views and representations of local residents and pressed on with the removal of a light

controlled pedestrian crossing. How many more people have to be killed or seriously injured at the junction before the council reconsider their decision?

Response:

The Highway Officer identified that the record of accidents was not related to the traffic signal junction as the accidents were recorded as being in a stretch of Oakleigh Road North which was more than 100 meters from the junction. The officer passed around a plan which identified the location of each accident and identified the information held on records related to each accident location. It was confirmed that there was no obvious pattern and it was unlikely that any engineering solution would have assisted in reducing such accidents. It was further identified that the sub-Committee were to discuss the accident statistics in a report which followed on the same agenda.

5. MEMBERS' ITEMS (Agenda Item 5)

There were none.

6. ROAD ACCIDENT LOCATIONS (Report of the Interim Director of Environment, Planning and Regeneration - Agenda Item 6)

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Sub-Committee notes the contents of the report.
- (2) That an update report including a breakdown of accidents at hotspot locations over the last three years be brought to the next appropriate meeting of the Sub-Committee.

7. MATTERS REFERRED FROM CHIPPING BARNET AREA RESIDENTS FORUM (Agenda Item 6)

The Sub-Committee received the below item which had been referred to the Sub-Committee by the Chairman of the Chipping Barnet Residents Forum.

Issue No.	Details
Issue 1 (Chipping Barnet Forum of 24 November 2011)	The Chipping Barnet Residents Forum had considered a representation from Mr Dentamaora the installation of traffic lights or a Zebra crossing on Brunswick Park Road between Marshalls Close and Darwin Close.

Following discussion and consideration of this issue the Sub-Committee:

RESOLVED – Subject to the overall costs being contained within available budgets, officers be instructed to investigate the feasibility of installing traffic lights or a Zebra crossing on Brunswick Park Road between Marshalls Close and Darwin Close and that a report on the outcome of the investigation and any appropriate recommendations be brought to the next appropriate meeting of the Sub-Committee.

8. REQUEST FROM THE SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor Brian Salinger seconded by Councillor Pauline Coakley Webb, requested the Chairman write to the Cabinet Member for Environment, relaying the sub-Committees decision and views on the pedestrian crossing lights at the Oakleigh Road North/Whetstone High Road junction. The Chairman accepted the request and confirmed he would be writing to the Cabinet Member for Environment

The meeting ended at 8.45pm