DECISIONS OF THE FINCHLEY AND GOLDERS GREEN ENVIRONMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

24 FEBRUARY 2010

SUB-COMMITTEE:

*Councillor Dean Cohen (Chairman) *Councillor Jazmin Naghar (Vice Chairman)

Councillors:

*Geof Cooke *Ross Houston *Jack Cohen (substituting for Monroe Palmer ^{ore}) *Eva Greenspan *Andrew McNeil

*denotes Member present

1. MINUTES (Agenda Item 1)

RESOLVED – That the decisions of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 30 November 2009 be agreed as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (Agenda Item 2)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Monroe Palmer, for whom Councillor Jack Cohen substituted.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS (Agenda Item 4)

There were no public questions.

5. MEMBERS' ITEMS (Agenda Item 5)

(a) GLEBELANDS OPEN SPACE – INSTALLATION OF GATES

The Committee received a Members' Item enquiring as to why gates had not been installed at both ends of the Glebelands Open Space to deter moped riding, despite a previous request to do so. Officers apologised for the delay in erecting barriers and informed Members that the barriers on the High Road side of the Open Space had been replaced recently, with similar barriers due to be installed at the Legion Road end of the open space in within three weeks. Officers intended to keep ward Members informed of progress.

RESOLVED –

That barriers be installed at the Legion Road end of Glebelands Open Space, as outlined above.

(b) 191 WEST HEATH ROAD NW3 – EXTENSION OF GUARD RAILINGS

The sub-Committee received a Members' Item requesting the extension of guard railings at this location in light of a number of recent accidents. The sub-Committee agreed to implement 'stop' signage, believing this would be more effective than the extension of guard railings, and agreed to officers reviewing the situation six months after implementation.

RESOLVED –

That stop signage be implemented at the above location, with the situation reviewed six months after implementation.

(c) TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEASURES IN DOLLIS HILL, N3

The sub-Committee received a Members' Item requesting the installation of vehicle-activated signs and an assessment of the criteria for installing a pedestrian crossing at this location.

The sub-Committee was addressed by a member of the public representing residents from Dollis Road, who argued for the implementation of traffic management measures.

The committee noted that crossing facilities at the site were not currently feasible. The sub-Committee was informed that a Vehicle-Activated Sign would be installed in April/May 2010, and its impact would be examined by officers of the Council and would be discussed with ward Members. A report back would be made to the sub-Committee if necessary. The Police would also be asked to undertake speed enforcement. The review of pedestrian crossing criteria was programmed for the first half of 2010/11.

RESOLVED –

That a vehicle-activated sign be installed at the above location, with a report back made to the sub-Committee if necessary.

(d) PROPOSED MEASURES AT EAST END ROAD / STANLEY ROAD N2

The sub-Committee received a Members' item requesting the installation of a convex mirror on East End Road N2 to assist the drivers of vehicles exiting Stanley Road N2, together with additional active signing.

The sub-Committee was addressed by a member of the public representing residents of the area, who believed that a convex mirror should be installed. The committee formally received a petition from the public on this topic.

Officers were aware of issues at the location, but informed the sub-Committee that a lack of personal injury accidents in the period October 2006 to September 2009 meant that no action would currently be taken at the location. Furthermore, the Authority did not, as a rule, implement convex mirrors unless there were no other alternatives due to safety concerns. Members agreed to request that the Director of Environment & Operations consider options at the location.

RESOLVED -

That the Director of Environment & Operations consider options at the East End Road / Stanley Road Junction, including the possibility of a kerb buildout.

6. HIGHWAYS PLANNED MAINTENANCE WORKS PROGRAMME FOR CHIPPING BARNET AREA – 2010/2011(Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport - Agenda Item 6)

An addendum to the Cabinet Member's report was tabled that:

- Replaced paragraph 6.3;
- Amended paragraph 9.14;
- Replaced Appendix A to reflect revised footway and carriageway scheme proposals following the Cabinet approved increase allocation of Borough Funded Capital; and
- Replaced Appendix C to reflect the Cabinet Member's approved increased allocation of Borough Funded Capital

The Sub-Committee was advised that an additional £1.6 million would be available as part of the work programme, with details of the additional schemes provided to the sub-Committee as an addendum.

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report (as amended), the sub-Committee **RESOLVED** –

- (1) That the list of roads for carriageway resurfacing and footway relay works in the Finchley & Golders Green Area for 2010/2011 be approved.
- (2) That the subject to the overall costs being contained within available budgets, the Director of Environment and Operations be instructed to:

- (a) Give notice under Section 58 of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 of the Council's intention to implement the highway works shown in Appendix A by advertising and consulting as necessary with the public utility companies and Transport for London (TfL) for schemes proposed to be implemented during 2010/2011;
- (b) Implement the schemes proposed in Appendix A by placing orders with the Council's term contractors or specialist contractors appointed in accordance with the public procurement rules, or the Council's Contract Procedure Rules as appropriate;
- (c) Arrange to undertake condition assessment of Category 3 & Category 4 footways within the Finchley & Golders Green area so that overall condition of footways can be determined and appropriate measures be taken in future years' programmes, and;
- (d) Agree any variations to the scheduling of the programme in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport and the Chairman of this Sub-Committee.

The meeting ended at 8:26pm