

Decisions of the Hendon Area Committee

6 July 2016

Members Present:-

Councillor Brian Gordon (Chairman)
Councillor Val Duschinsky (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Maureen Braun Councillor Charlie O-Macauley
Councillor Nagus Narenthira Councillor Adam Langleben
Councillor Hugh Rayner

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 30th March 2016, were agreed as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

Councillors Tom Davey and Dr Devra Kay sent their apologies and were substituted by Councillors Hugh Rayner and Adam Langleben, respectively.

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor	Nature of Interest	Item No.	Detail of Interest
Hugh Rayner	Non-pecuniary	9D	Declared a non-pecuniary interest in Barnet Borough Watch item on the basis that he knows Maureen West, who works for the organisation, very well, however he will still participate in the vote.
Langleben	Non-pecuniary	9A, 9B and 9C	Declared that he works for the Jewish Leadership Council and may come into contact with members of the organisations Shatnez Centre, Mesilla and the Jewish Migrane Foundation seeking funding from the Committee, however he will still participate in the vote.
Brian Gordon	Non-pecuniary	9A	Declared a non-pecuniary interest in Shatnez Centre who are seeking funding from the committee as his son in law's brother works for Shatnez, however he will not participate in the vote.

Val Duchinsky	Non-pecuniary	9E and Urgent item Salcombe Gardens Uplift	<p>Declared a non-pecuniary interest as a Member of the Mill Hill Nighbourhood Forum which is seeking funding from this committee.</p> <p>Declared a non-pecuniary interest in the the Urgent Item – Salcombe Gardens Uplift submitted by Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum of which she is a member.</p>
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4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

None.

6. MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE HENDON AREA RESIDENTS FORUM (IF ANY)

None.

7. PETITIONS FOR THE COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION

The Committee were presented with three petitions as follows:-

1. *'Install speed cameras Colindeep Lane ASAP'*. Committee noted that there were 123 petitioners requesting the installation of speed cameras on Colindeep Lane and heard an oral representation by Philip Stephens, the lead petitioner, seeking road safety measures where the 30mph speed limit is regularly broken.
2. *'Install a Zebra crossing on Hale Lane near Lubavitch nursery'*. Committee noted that there were 94 petitioners requesting a zebra crossing to assist safe access to a nursery for all users.
3. *'Install lampposts in Brookside Walk playground pathway'*. Committee noted that there were 136 petitioners seeking better lighting along the playground pathway to make the path safer through better lighting.

Having considered the petitions and following discussion, the Chairman and members concluded that they did not consider themselves to be sufficiently aware or informed of the issues to make decisions or allocate funding for work or studies and agreed to the proposal that officers undertake some light touch fact- finding work to identify the issues.

Committee **RESOLVED** that:

1. That the petitions were noted
2. To authorise the Commissioning Director for Environment to instruct officers to undertake light touch no expense reports with background to enable decision-making by Members at the next meeting of the Hendon Area Committee.

8. MEMBER'S ITEMS

Name of Councillor	Members Item
Councillor Braun	<p><u>NAME OF MEMBER'S ITEM</u></p> <p>A proposed zebra crossing outside Sunnyfield School, Hendon Ward</p> <p>WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED</p> <p>Councillor Braun has requested that a new zebra crossing is considered along Greyhound Hill, to keep children from Sunnyfield School safe from fast moving traffic. A zebra crossing would slow down traffic and reduce the risk of accidents to pedestrians as the school is extremely busy, particularly in the rush hour.</p> <p>Committee Discussion</p> <p>At the meeting the Chairman invited discussion and an officer update was provided confirming that there is school funding available for minor road safety works such as 'school keep clear' signs and new zig zag on the school approach improve road safety in the immediate vicinity of the school only. Councillor Braun welcomed this and agreed with the Chairman's proposal for an officer report to October committee to consider the effectiveness of the minor works before deciding on the feasibility of a zebra crossing.</p> <p>Hendon Area Committee unanimously Resolved that:</p> <p>It was Resolved that:</p> <p>The committee authorised the Commissioning Director of Environment to instruct officers to undertake a light touch no cost report highlighting the viability and benefits of a zebra crossing and the indicative costs of a feasibility report and potential installation to be presented to a future meeting of the Hendon Area Committee.</p>
Councillor Narenthira	<p><u>NAME OF MEMBER'S ITEM</u></p> <p>Proposed traffic calming measures, Booth Road, Colindale Ward</p> <p>WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED</p>

	<p>Councillor Narenthira wishes to remind Members that Ward members have previously requested, on behalf of a local resident, that Booth Road be considered for traffic calming and has reported that it is unfortunate that the existing scheme commitments from the limited LIP funding available for Traffic Management and Accident Reduction schemes means that it has not been possible to include Booth Road in the draft 2016/17 programme of work for this. Councillor Narenthira wishes Committee to consider whether it is possible for minor work or a feasibility study to be funded from the budget controlled by the Hendon Area Committee and highlights that Members may want to consider whether to raise this proposal with the Committee.</p> <p>To summarise, this Member's Item is seeking funding for study and minor works according to the findings of these studies"</p> <p>Committee Discussion</p> <p>The Chairman introduced the item and invited further Member and officer input. The Committee were provided with additional background which included details on the perceived problems of speeding along Booth Road and parking pressures. An 18 month Parking Review is proposed, after which recommendations on options for the area will be provided. Councillor Narenthira said urgent interim measures were needed and requested a small amount of funding to the value of £5,000 to undertake a feasibility study looking into what minor works could take place that would reduce some of the pressures in the interim.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Commissioning Director for Environment instruct officers to undertake a feasibility study to identify and implement measures to alleviate parking and speeding problems in Booth Road pending the outcome of the 18 month review. 2. That Hendon Area Committee approved a budget of up to £5,000 from its non-CIL budget.
Councillor Sargeant	<p><u>NAME OF MEMBER'S ITEM</u></p> <p>WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED</p> <p>Proposed traffic calming measures Colindeep Lane, Colindale Ward</p> <p>Councillor Sargeant would like to draw Member's attention to problems facing Colindeep Lane. It is very dangerous for drivers emerging from their drives to have a clear sight line as to oncoming traffic, particularly where the road bends. This was not such a problem when they were half on, half off the kerb. Councillor Sargeant would also like Committee to consider installing a zebra crossing outside the North London Grammar School because of the traffic speed problem. This would increase safety for the children</p>

	<p>crossing to and from the school, and help to slow down traffic.</p> <p>To summarise funding is sought to investigate the problems of traffic speed and proposes speed is slowed down through traffic calming measures including a zebra crossing.</p> <p>Committee Discussion</p> <p>The Chair introduced the item and was informed by Councillor Narenthira in the absence of Councillor Sargeant, that Colindeep Lane is experiencing severe speeding problems that need to be addressed before there is a fatal accident. Officers confirmed that there was £25,000 Section 106 monies available through the School Development Fund for road safety measures around the school. It was also agreed that as the Police are unlikely to have funding to for additional measures such as CCTV monitoring, that a site meeting with relevant parties – ie Highway officers, ward Councillors, police, school, would be of benefit to consider the problem and possible solutions. Committee were informed that CCTV cameras cost in the region of £55,000 and a zebra crossing would be between £20,000 - £40,000.</p> <p>Councillor Langleben said that he would be happy to endorse a report back based on what information that officers may be aware of and suggested the Committee look into the availability of other regeneration money as the location is within the Colindale Regeneration area and development monies should accessible for schemes like this.</p> <p>The Chairman summarised the proposal would therefore be a light touch no cost report to look at the possibility for additional funding ie from CIL, S106 and regeneration budgets for road safety measures along Colindale Avenue including for the provision of a CCTV camera and zebra crossing.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the Committee authorised the Commissioning Director for the Environment to instruct officers to produce a report highlighting the potential options to deal with traffic problems and the costs of a feasibility study and installation.</p>
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9. MEMBERS ITEM - REQUESTS FOR FUNDING FROM HENDON AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET APPENDIX A - E

APPENDIX A THE EDGWARE SHATNEZ CENTRE APPLICATION - COUNCILLOR BRIAN GORDON

Councillor Gordon, having declared an interest, did not take part in the discussion but as sponsor, presented the item and provided information in response to questions.

Councillor Braun said that she is aware of the organisation Shatnez and of users of the service and commented paragraph 12 of the application stating that she was not

convinced that the wider community would access the service or that what they were delivering was the core business of the community.

Councillor Rayner said he also picked up that financial accounts had not been submitted since 2011 and asked for clarity of what would happen if Members approved an application that was missing key details and was informed that an application could be deferred or approved subject to presenting missing details.

Councillor Langleben questioned whether it was appropriate for Shatnez to receive public funding for the type of services it provides which do not represent the core business of the Council. He also drew attention to the absence recent financial returns and the absence of a safeguarding policy (given the client group 8 – 25 year olds) picked up by due diligence checks made by the Council.

Councillor Langleben proposed that committee vote to either decline the application or defer the application pending receipt and approval of outstanding information. All members able to vote (councillor Gordon did not vote) agreed to this the approach.

The votes were as follows:

Decline	3
Defer subject to receipt and approval of outstanding information	0
Abstain	3

The application was not approved by Committee

APPENDIX B THE UK MESILLA FAMILY COUNSELLING SERVICE - COUNCILLOR ANTHONY FINN

The Chairman introduced the next item - an application for Hendon Area Committee funding for Mesila UK, (Hendon Committee) which is a Barnet-based family counselling service for the ultra-orthodox Jewish community, who are burdened by high costs of living and debt.

Councillor Finn, member sponsor spoke highly of the project which helps local people to improve their skills and access to work, treats people in a dignified way and is good value for money.

Councillor Langleben was supportive of the application and recognised to good work it does. However he wanted a safeguarding policy to be in place and wanted assurance that additional funds from (Awards for All) are place before funds are released as the total project cost is £18,500. He identified a risk in providing funding that was more than the value of Mesila's total funding last year and felt evidence of other funding as an important part of the decision.

Councillor Rayner and Councillor Braun were both supportive as was Cllr O-Macauley and Councillor Narenthira who also wanted reassurance regarding the balance of the project funding. She also commented that it would be useful to use this as an exemplar to other projects.

It was **RESOLVED:**

That the Hendon Area Committee approved the grant application of £8,500 from the non CIL budget subject to confirmation of receipt of Awards for All funding of £10,000 which formed part of the total project costs.

APPENDIX C THE JEWISH MIGRAINE FOUNDATION - COUNCILLOR TOM DAVEY

Councillor Gordon introduced the item sponsored by Councillor Davey. In his absence, Councillor Gordon provided an introduction and invited comments.

Councillor Langleben said that the proposals fit within the core business of the council, but queried why an application had not been made to other area committees as the proposal was a borough-wide one. On that basis, he proposed that Committee agree to award a third of the costs on the basis that Chipping Barnet and Finchley and Golders Green do the same. The total grant applied for appeared to be £9,900, and an allocation of a portion at £3,300 from Hendon Area Committee would seem appropriate. He also noted that the project had not submitted their financial statement and the award would also be subject to receipt of this and a safeguarding policy.

Councillor Duschinsky stated that the total project costs are £12,000 but the application does not indicate where the £2,100 shortfall would come from.

Members proposed that the Jewish Migration Foundation re-submit their application to all three area committees seeking an allocation of £3,300 from each, and also confirm where the balance of the project costs come from.

It was **RESOLVED**:

That Hendon Area Committee deferred the grant application pending consideration of the advice to re-submit the application to all three area committees for approval of £3,300 of non-CIL funding with financial information provided and clarity on the total project costs.

APPENDIX D BARNET NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - COUNCILLOR HUGH RAYNER

The Chairman invited Councillor Rayner to discuss the proposal he is sponsoring at the meeting - Barnet Boroughwatch.

The committee was briefed on the proposal that received funding approval from Chipping Barnet and Finchley and Golders Green Area Committees in March 2016. The proposal is a borough wide initiative and seeking £9,999 from each area committee to continue exemplar work including neighbourhood watch schemes across new areas of the borough. Councillor Rayner thanked Maureen West for the great work she does in this area of work

It was **RESOLVED**:

That Hendon Area Committee approved £9,999 non-CIL funding from its budget for the Barnet Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (Boroughwatch).

APPENDIX E MILL HILL NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM - COUNCILLOR VAL DUSCHINSKY

The Chairman invited Councillor Duchinsky to introduce and present the Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum Proposal as the sponsor. Forum Members were also in attendance and invited to provide some background for the Committee.

The Forum was set up 2 years ago. The area covers Mill Hill Ward and the part of Mill Hill in Hale ward. The forum received a grant of £8,000 for its Town Square project from the Tesco store in Mill Hill to provide a Pocket Square at the stopped up end of Brokenhurst Gardens. Further details are in the grant application.

Members were supportive of the application and agreed the award should be from the Community Infrastructure Levy pot as the works relate to infrastructure works.

It was **RESOLVED**:

That Hendon Area Committee approved £12,000 CIL funding to the Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum for works in connection with the 'Pocket Park' proposal in Mill Hill Town Centre.

ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT - SALCOMBE GARDENS UPLIFT, MILL HILL.

The Chairman gave permission for an additional Area Funding Grant Application to be considered as a matter of urgency and invited Councillor Langleben, the sponsor, to present the item and explain urgency reasons:-

Members were informed that The Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum has successfully applied to the Mayor of London for funding to improve the public realm and shop fronts at Salcombe Gardens, Mill Hill. However the condition of a grant funding of £20,000 is that Barnet Council provide equivalent match funding, and this must be confirmed by September 2016. Funding was therefore sought from the Area Committee this evening.

Members were supportive of the proposal and congratulated Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum and local Councillors involved.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The Hendon Area Committee approved £20,000 CIL funding for the Salcombe Gardens Local Parade improvement project as match funding for the £20,000 awarded from Mayor of London's Shop Front Improvement project.

10. AREA COMMITTEE GRANTS 2014/15 OUTCOMES AND AREA BUDGET UPDATE

This report provided the Hendon Area Committee with the outcomes of projects that received Area Committee funding in 2014/15. Furthermore this report provided an update on Area Committee funding and expenditure during 2014/15 and 2015/16 as reported to the Policy and Resources Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** that

1. **It be noted that the Policy and Resources Committee received the Annual Update on Area Committee Budgets on 28 June 2016; and**
2. **the report as set out in appendix A and B was noted;**

11. HENDON AREA COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT (JULY 2016)

The Committee considered this report which provided an update on the actions agreed by the Committee at previous meetings, on-going Committee approved schemes and new requests that had been approved at March 2016 meeting.

Appendix 1 of the report provided a summary of the actions requested by the Committee, progress made to date, actions required by Officers and recommendations to be considered by the Committee.

RESOLVED that the Committee note update and actions set out at Appendix 1, with actual costs being reported back to the Committee via the next budget report.

12. OUTCOME OF PARKING INVESTIGATIONS - WATFORD WAY (APEX CORNER) SLIP ROAD, NW7

The report provides the committee with the background to the original request for parking controls to combat all day parking and, asks the Committee to note the actions carried out to date, and to make a decision on how to proceed.

Following discussions, it was **RESOLVED**:

That the Committee noted the details contained within this report and:

1. **Instructed to the Commissioning Director for Environment to carry out an informal consultation exercise to seek the views of residents and businesses as to whether they would like a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) as indicated on drawing no. SCR129/APEX/001, and to obtain information about likely permit take-up, at an estimated cost of £4,000 to be funded from the 2016/17 LIP allocation for Parking Reviews.**
2. **Instructed to the Commissioning Director for Environment to report back the results of the consultation to a future meeting of this Committee, for a decision on the way forward.**

13. PROPOSED EXTENSION OF EDGWARE CPZ (J) TO INCLUDE THE UNRESTRICTED SECTION OF MOWBRAY ROAD HA8 (SOUTH OF A41 WATFORD WAY)

This report provides the Committee with an update on progress made to date following the Hendon Area Committee's decision of 13 January 2016 for a statutory consultation to take place relating to the parking issues in Mowbray Road, and their possible inclusion in the Edgware Controlled Parking Zone (Zone J) and asks the Committee to note the actions carried out to date, and to make a decision on how to proceed.

It was **RESOLVED**:

1. That Committee noted the outcome of the statutory consultation as detailed in the report.
2. That the Committee, authorised Commissioning Director for Environment to extend the Edgware CPZ to include the section of Mowbray Road south of Watford Way (A41), through the making of the relevant Traffic Management Orders, and as shown on Drawing Number SCR114-1 at an estimated cost of £6,000 to be funded from the 2016/17 LIP allocation for Parking Reviews.

Votes were as follows:

For	4
Against	0
Abstain	4

14. PAGE STREET/BUNNS LANE/PURSLEY ROAD - JUNCTION IMPROVEMENTS

Councillor Duschinsky said her understanding of the agreement reached at the end of the site meeting differed with option 2 as the preferred scheme. As she felt it made more sense.

The officer clarified the situation stating that the initial funding was for survey work which identified that work needed to be done. Additional funds for more surveys and modelling is now required.

Members **RESOLVED** to defer this item seeking an additional £10,000 for modelling and design to the next meeting on 26 October.

15. DEVONSHIRE ROAD, NW7 - ADDITIONAL REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

The Chairman invited Councillor Khatri to speak as requested on this item.

Councillor Khatri commented that he was surprised by the officer recommendations in the report to take no further to install mini roundabouts and that the decision was reached following a site visit as this was not his understanding of the decision reached at the meeting. He would prefer there to be additional studies over a longer period and felt funds should be allocated for that.

Councillor Khatri expressed his disappointment and felt that the stretch of road from Holders Hill roundabout was hazardous and like a racing track and was of the view that the build outs had not worked in slowing traffic down.

Councillor Langleben expressed his agreement that traffic moves very quickly along the stretch of road.

In relation to new hatchings that have been ordered, it was agreed that officers should provide a report back to committee in after 6 months on their effectiveness. Councillor asked for a plan of where the hatchings were to be located and this was agreed. It was also agreed that once the hatching is implemented, it will be possible to assess the impact they are having on vehicle speeds.

It was **RESOLVED**:

1. **That the Commissioning Director for Environment instructs officers to report back to Committee after 6 months having monitored the effectiveness of the hatchings in conjunction with the build outs in slowing down vehicle speeds.**
2. **That a decision on the officer report recommendations be deferred until the outcome of the monitoring in recommendation 1 above.**

16. OAKLEIGH GARDENS AREA HA8 - REQUEST FOR A CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE (CPZ)

The Chairman deferred the item before the meeting to the next Hendon Area Committee meeting on 26th October to allow residents sufficient time to consult on the report proposals. Committee was updated of this at the meeting accordingly.

17. HENDON AREA COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

Committee noted the report.

18. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

The Chairman asked if there were any other Urgent items. Councillor O-Macauley requested that the Chairman considers an additional item and granted permission to the item as follows:-

“Residents in Burnt Oak are demanding local public signs in certain areas where there are possibilities of public nuisance, dumping, noise, (poorly located) football games or similar games that cause anti-social behaviour.

Such signs are seen as deterrents to people causing unnecessary problems in the community.

I would appreciate if this committee can consider this request so that signs can be put in strategic areas to deter the committing of nuisance crimes.

Above all, this can be reviewed in areas where signs are needed.”

Councillor Gordon invited discussion from committee and officers. Following this, it was agreed that there should be meetings with ward councillors, the police and safer neighbourhood team and the Council’s Crime and Community Safety officers to consider the issues and look at the hot spots. It was agreed that this should be set up with a view to identifying findings and actions that will form the basis of a report to be brought to a future meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** that

The Commissioning Director for Environment instructs officers to set up a meeting with ward councillors, crime and community safety officers and the Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team with a view to meeting to consider the antisocial behaviour problems in the area and deterrents and report findings back to a future meeting of the committee.

The meeting finished at 9.50pm