

Decisions of the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee

9 July 2019

Members Present:-

Councillor Jennifer Grocock (Chairman)

Councillor Rohit Grover (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Dean Cohen
Councillor Ross Houston
Councillor Anne Hutton

Councillor Arjun Mittra
Councillor Shimon Ryde

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting dated 4 April 2019 be agreed as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

None.

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS (IF ANY)

Councillor Rohit Grover declared an interest in relation to item 9 as he lives near the Portsdown Avenue and Templars Avenue.

Councillor Dean Cohen declared an interest in relation to item 9 as the public speaker is personally known to him.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (IF ANY)

Ashley Cohen made a public comment in relation to agenda item 9 - Member's Item (Junction at Portsdown Ave and Templars Ave – Golders Green)

Emily Candler made a public comment in relation to agenda item 14 - Church Lane/High Road - Feasibility Study Green)

Esther Sinclair made a public comment in relation to agenda Item 16 – Rosemont Avenue – Feasibility Study

Details of the written questions and responses were provided with the agenda papers for the meeting. Oral responses were given to the supplementary questions at the meeting.

6. MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE FINCHLEY AND GOLDERS GREEN AREA RESIDENTS FORUM (IF ANY)

The Chairman introduced the item which related to an item referred up from the 6 June Finchley and Golder's Green Residents Forum regarding the Countdown system at High Road/ Fortis Green.

Mr Peter Hale addressed the committee in relation to introducing a Countdown system at High Road/Fortis Green.

Following comments and questions from Members, agreed for officers to arrange to meet with TfL and review options for a countdown on the area and bring back to a future meeting. Officer were also asked to take into account accident reports data in the area.

The Chairman confirmed that the item which related to Victoria Park was a Planning matter that had been already determined by the planning inspectorate and as such was not within the remit of the committee. The item had been withdrawn and the resident notified.

The Committee therefore RESOLVED:

- 1. That officers should arrange to meet with TfL at the site to review options for a countdown, taking into account accident reports in the area and bring back the results to a future meeting.**
- 2. To note that the item on Victoria Park was outside the remit of this Committee and had been withdrawn.**

7. PETITIONS (IF ANY)

None,

8. AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING - COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY UPDATE

The Chairman introduced the report, which updated Members on the budget allocations for the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee.

A Member questioned if a neighbourhood plan or a neighbourhood order was within the area, the constituency would receive an extra 25% allocation on top of the £150000. Mr. Cooke confirmed that he had been advised that there would not be any extra allocation.

The Committee unanimously RESOLVED:

- 1. To note the amount available for allocation during 2019/20, as set out in paragraph 6.2.1 and in Appendix 1 2.**
- 2. To note the amount or reallocated underspends & Overspends in Section 2.1**

9. MEMBERS' ITEMS

Item 1 – Member's Items in the name of Councillor Dean Cohen - Junction at Portsdown Ave and Templars Ave – Golders Green

Following discussion, the Committee **RESOLVED:**

To approve funding of £3,000 to undertake a consultation and implement the double yellow lines, refresh the give way signs and slow down markings at the junction.

Item 2 – Member's Item in the name of Councillor Arjun Mittra – 20 mph at East End Road – East Finchley.

Following discussion, the Committee **RESOLVED:**
To refer the item to Environment Committee for consideration.

10. MEMBERS' ITEMS - AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATIONS (IF ANY)

Item 1 – Member's Items in the name of Councillor Anne Clarke, that was introduced by Michelle Ferguson on improvements requested for Greenfield Gardens NW2

Following discussion, the Committee **RESOLVED:**

To allocate £3500 to undertake a

- a) consultation on converting the business bays into residents and dual-purpose parking bays and implement the scheme if there are no objections.**
- b) To review the best place to install a bicycle hanger and if there was TfL Funding available for the hanger and bring back to a future committee.**

Item 2 – Member's Item in the name of Councillor Rohit Grover – Northway Gardens.

The committee agreed that before making a decision it was essential to undertake a survey of the footbridge and ascertain the extent of the work required to make it safe. The committee also wanted officer to confirm whether it was possible to get some trees planted via alternative funding.

Following discussion, the Committee **RESOLVED:**

To defer the request until the next meeting when a structural survey had been undertaken on the bridge and alternative funding for the tree had been sought.

11. GLENHURST ROAD - ONE-WAY

The Chairman introduced the report, which reported the results of a feasibility study investigating alternative measures to reduce the reported traffic problems on Glenhurst Road, N12 including the introduction of a one-way system in a northbound direction from the junction with Friern Park to the junction with Torrington Park.

During consideration of the item, officers confirmed that funding for the works had already been previously allocated and as such recommendation 5 should read as follows "That the Finchley and Golders Green Committee note that the funding of (£15,400) had been previously approved to design and carry out statutory consultation and, subject to the outcome of that consultation, introduce the proposal."

This was unanimously agreed to this amendment.

Following the consideration of the item, the Chairman moved to the vote and the committee voted as follows:

For : 6
Against : 1
Abstain : 0

The Committee therefore **RESOLVED**:

1. To note the review of the oneway system as outlined in the report and the appendices to the report and depicted on drawings BC/001348-02-100-01 & BC/001348-02-100-02 attached as an Appendix.
2. That having considered both options, the committee approve the officer preferred Option 2, to be progressed to detailed design, as outlined in drawing BC/001348-02-100-02.
3. To instruct the Executive Director of Environment to carry out a statutory consultation.
4. To agree if any objections are received as a result of the statutory consultation, referred to in recommendation 2, the Executive Director of Environment will consider and determine whether the agreed proposal should be implemented or not, and if so, with or without modification.
5. To note that the funding of (£15,400) had been previously approved to design and carry out statutory consultation and, subject to the outcome of that consultation, introduce the proposal.

12. WEST HEATH DRIVE - SPEED SURVEY

The Chairman introduced the report, which reported the results of a speed survey carried out in West Heath Drive, NW11

Following the consideration of the item, the Committee unanimously **RESOLVED**:

1. To note the results of the speed survey that was undertaken in West Heath Drive, NW11.
2. To note the recommendation that no further action is taken at this time although officers will continue to monitor vehicle speeds in West Heath Drive.

13. HAMPSTEAD WAY - SPEED SURVEY

The Chairman introduced the report, which reported the results of a speed survey carried out in Hampstead Way, NW11 and outlines the proposals for consideration to address the concerns at this location.

Following the consideration of the item, the Committee unanimously **RESOLVED**.

1. To note the results of the speed survey and collision data analysis that was undertaken in Hampstead Way, NW11.
2. That having considered the options, the Committee approve the Officer's preferred Option of installation of VAS (Vehicle Activated Signs) signs, SLOW

markings and the re-painting of the centre line as outlined in drawing BC001609-03-01_FS_100-01.

3. To agree to allocate the funding of £11,550 for the agreed Option (from this year's CIL Area Committee budget) to design and introduce the approved Option.

14. CHURCH LANE/HIGH ROAD - FEASIBILITY STUDY

The Chairman introduced the item which detailed the outcome of Transport for London (TfL) finding on the signal timings of the existing pelican crossing and outlined the next step to improve safety around the signalised crossing by Martin Primary School. The report also outlines other initiatives to be progressed with Martin Primary School and the next steps for a feasibility study for the request for the junction of A1000 with Church Lane to be signalised.

During discussion of the item, Councillor Ryde moved a motion, that was duly seconded, to amend recommendation 4 that if any objections are received, as a result of the consultation referred to in recommendation 2, the results should be reported to the Committee.

This was unanimously agreed.

Councillor Mittra then moved motion that was seconded by Councillor Hutton for a new recommendation 7 to refer the additional measure which would be considered beneficial such as carriageway resurfacing and high friction treatment at the approaches to the crossing, with an estimated cost between £40,000 to £65,000 depending on extend of works agreed to progress as set out in para 2.17 to 2.19 of the report to Environment Committee.

The committee voted as follows

For	: 3
Against	: 0
Abstain	: 4

The Chairman then moved to vote on the item and votes were recorded as follows

For	:4
Against	:0
Abstain	:3

The Committee therefore **RESOLVED:**

1. To note the comments and outcomes of Transport for London (TfL) on existing traffic signal at A1000 High Road by Martin Primary School.
2. To agree the interim measures to improve the safety of the site which are estimated at £24,000 and carry out detailed design and consultation.
3. To delegate authority to the Executive Director of Environment to carry out a Consultation on the improvements in recommendation 2.

4. That if any objections are received because of the consultation, referred to in recommendation 2, these will be reported to the Committee for consideration.
5. To note the initial investigation into the signalisation of Church Lane junction with A1000, and the requirement for Transport Feasibility Study of the junction and the subsequent TfL Model Auditing Process (MAP) may be required subject to the outcome of the Transport Feasibility Study.
6. To note that Road Safety Education Officer will engage with School Travel Advisor of Martin Primary to offer several proposals as set up in Paragraphs 2.20 to 2.25 of the report.
7. To refer the additional measure which would be considered beneficial such as carriageway resurfacing and high friction treatment at the approaches to the crossing, with an estimated cost between £40,000 to £65,000 depending on extent of works agreed to progress, as set out in para 2.17 to 2.19 of the report, to Environment Committee

15. ROSEMONT AVENUE - FEASIBILITY STUDY

The Chairman introduced the item which detailed the results of the feasibility study undertaken to address concerns raised by residents regarding traffic flow and safety in Rosemont Avenue, N12.

During discussion of the item, Councillor Cohen moved a motion, that was seconded by Councillor Houston, to amend recommendation 5 that if any objections are received, as a result of the consultation referred to in recommendation 3, the results should be reported to the Committee.

This was unanimously agreed.

Following the consideration of the item, the Committee unanimously **RESOLVED:**

1. To note the results of the traffic survey data and collision statistics in this report.
2. To approve the Officer Preferred Option of a 'point no entry' system on Rosemont Avenue at the junction with (A1000) High Road as outlined in Drawing No. BC/001609-05-01 attached as Appendix B.
3. To authorise the Executive Director for Environment to consult residents and stakeholders on the preferred scheme.
4. That subject to no objections being received to the consultation referred to in recommendation 3, the Executive Director of Environment be authorised to introduce the preferred scheme.
5. To resolve that if any objections are received as a result of the consultation referred to in recommendation 3, these should be reported to the Committee.
6. To approve the allocation of funding of £16,000 from this year's CIL Area Committee budget to design and introduce the preferred scheme.

16. NORTH FINCHLEY - LEGIBLE LONDON

The Chairman introduced the item, which detailed the results of a feasibility study carried out in North Finchley to introduce new way finder signs as per Transport for London (TfL) Legible London Standard.

During the discussion, Councillor Ryde moved a motion that was seconded by Councillor Houston to defer the item until the April 2020 meeting.

This was unanimously agreed.

Mr Cooke also agree that he would review if the Regeneration Service were able to the new signs as part of their work in Finchley and report at that meeting.

The Committee therefore **RESOLVED to defer the item until the April 2020 meeting.**

17. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The committee noted forward plan.

18. ANY ITEM(S) THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

None.

The meeting finished at 9.25 pm