

Decisions of the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee

8 November 2021

Members Present:-

Councillor Jennifer Grocock (Chairman)
Councillor Rohit Grover (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Peter Zinkin (Substitute)
Councillor Shimon Ryde
Councillor Anne Hutton

Councillor Arjun Mittra
Councillor Ross Houston

Apologies for Absence
Councillor Dean Cohen

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The Chairman of the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee, Councillor Jennifer Grocock welcomed all attendees to the meeting and noted the Covid-secure measures in place throughout the meeting.

It was RESOLVED that subject to the correction under item 5 to read ‘Mr Brian Plen’, the minutes of the previous meeting held on 30 June 2021 be agreed as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

Apologies were received from Councillor Dean Cohen who was substituted by Councillor Peter Zinkin.

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

The Chairman Councillor Jennifer Grocock declared an interest in relation to item 13 (Tillingbourne Gardens Feasibility Study) by virtue of being a ward Member.

Councillor Anne Hutton declared an interest in relation to item 6 (matters referred from the F&GG Residents Forum Oak Lane petition) by virtue of residing in the vicinity.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (IF ANY)

The Committee noted the verbal representations from:

- Dr Sharon Sade who spoke in relation to item 6 (matters referred from the FGG Residents Forum) regarding the petition on traffic calming measures on Deansway
- Ms Ruth Pavey who spoke in relation to item 6 (matters referred from the FGG Residents Forum) regarding the petition on Junction between Finchley Road and Hoop Lane pedestrian crossing request

- Ms Eunice Phillips who spoke in relation to item 6 (matters referred from the FGG Residents Forum) regarding the petition on Oak Lane Parking, N2
- Councillor Alison Moore who spoke in relation to item 11 (Long Lane / Creighton Avenue N2 Road Safety Improvements)

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

a) Petition: Traffic calming measures on Deansway (Lead Petitioner: Dr Sharon Sadeh)
RESOLVED that the Committee noted the petition and agreed to instruct Officers to engage with the lead petitioner and the Ward Members for East Finchley to investigate the matter.

b) Petition: Junction between Finchley Road and Hoop Lane pedestrian crossing request (Lead Petitioner: Ruth Pavey)
RESOLVED that the Committee noted the petition and agreed to refer the matter to Officers to engage with Councillor Hutton and Councillor Zinkin and provide an update on the TfL aspect of the issue.

c) Petition: Oak Lane Parking, N2 (Lead Petitioner: Ms Eunice Phillips)
RESOLVED that the Committee noted the petition and agreed to refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days.

7. PETITIONS (IF ANY)

None.

8. AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING - COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY UPDATE

The Committee welcomed the update report. Councillor Grover requested that Officers provide an update on the schemes within the Garden Suburb ward that are currently on hold or to be confirmed. **(Action: Jackie Staples, Phillip Hoare)**

It was RESOLVED:

1. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee noted the amount available for allocation during 2021/22, as set out in paragraph 6.2 and in Appendix 1.

2. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee noted the amount or reallocated underspends & overspends in Section 2.1

9. STANDARD MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)

None.

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

a) Councillor Ross Houston - Community Grant Long Lane Pasture Trust

The Chairman welcomed the application and Councillor Houston presented the Member's item. The Committee heard from Mr Donald Lyven who spoke in relation to this item.

It was RESOLVED that the Committee having considered the application decided to award the funding fully for £15,983.12 and noted the implications to the Committee's NCIL funding budget.

b) Cllr Shimon Ryde - Community Grant - The Hope of Childs Hill

The Chairman welcomed the application and Councillor Ryde presented the Member's item and spoke about the popular cycling sessions open to the public. The Committee agreed to increase the funding amount from £16,490 to £18,000 to cover adequate insurance and safeguard the units against theft.

It was RESOLVED that the Committee having considered the application decided to award the funding amount of £18,000 for the reasons set out above and noted the implications to the Committee's NCIL funding budget.

11. LONG LANE / CREIGHTON AVENUE, N2 - ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

The Chairman welcomed Daniella Pometti Senior Engineer, Highways who presented the report.

Councillor Mitra noted the concerns about pedestrian crossing locations and safety issues. Phillip Hoare, Assistant Director for Parking and Lead Officer noted that a holistic approach will be taken to consider the wider area as part of the CPZ programme and review the concerns as part of the programme.

Members requested that Officers provide information on speeding in the area with Councillor Mitra, Councillor Grover and the Chairman. (**Action:** Highways Daniella Pometti)

The Committee moved a motion which was seconded and agreed to amend recommendation 2 to include a request that the Executive Director for Environment consult with Ward Members prior to implementation. (**Action:** Executive Director Environment)

It was therefore RESOLVED:

1. That the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee noted the results of the speed, pedestrian and parking surveys that were undertaken on Long Lane, East Finchley, N2

2. That the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee noted the Executive Director, Environment will use his delegated authority to proceed with the recommendation to install double yellow lines and 'Watch your speed 30mph limit' signs on Long Lane, as well as double yellow lines on Creighton Avenue and requested that the Executive Director for Environment consult with Ward Members prior to implementation.

3. That the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee notes that the Executive Director, Environment will use his delegated authority to carry out a statutory consultation on the above proposals as shown on Drawing Nos. BC001967-

05_FS_100-01-01, BC001967-05_FS_100-01-02, BC001967-05_FS_100-01-03, BC001967-05_FS_100-01-04 and BC001967-05_FS_100-01-05.

4. If any objections are received as a result of the statutory consultation, the Executive Director, Environment will consider and determine whether the agreed Options should be implemented or not and if so, with or without modification, subject to funding being made available.

5. That the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee notes that the Executive Director, Environment has allocated funding of £8,250 to consult, design and introduce the approved proposals from the Road Safety and Parking Budget.

12. WOODGRANGE AVENUE - FEASIBILITY STUDY

The Committee welcomed the report and noted the correction on the front cover of the report to read Woodhouse ward (instead of East Finchley ward).

Councillor Hutton spoke about the speeding concerns in the area and asked if the area can be reviewed holistically. Mr Hoare noted that following the previous review there has been no indication which would suggest that another review take place however it was suggested that Officers consult with Councillor Hutton outside of the meeting. (**Action:** Phillip Hoare)

It was RESOLVED:

1. That the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee noted the results of the feasibility study that was undertaken on Woodgrange Avenue N12.

2. That the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee noted the Executive Directors decision to proceed with the recommendation to install 'Watch your speed 30mph limit' signs on Woodgrange Avenue N12

3. Noted that the Executive Director, Environment has allocated funding of £1,375 to design and introduce the approved proposals from the Road Safety and Parking Budget.

13. TILLINGBOURNE GARDENS - FEASIBILITY STUDY

Daniella Pometti presented and summarised the report.

It was RESOLVED:

1. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee noted the detail of the feasibility study as outlined in this report in relation to a traffic island at Tillingbourne Gardens junction with Regents Park Road as shown on drawing no. BC/001967-10_FS_100-01.

2. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee noted and agreed the Officers recommended proposal as set out in the report.

3. That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee, noted subject to funding of £18,700 being made available from road safety fund, the Executive Director Environment will consider and determine whether the recommended proposal should be implemented or not, with or without modification.

14. SCHEME UPDATE AND ROAD SAFETY & PARKING BUDGET

The Committee welcomed the report.

It was RESOLVED:

That the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee notes the allocations set out in the appendices.

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

None.

The meeting finished at 8.50 pm