

	<p><b>Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee</b></p> <p><b>6 July 2016</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Title</b></p>	<p><b>Progress update on Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee Actions July 2016</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Report of</b></p>	<p>Commissioning Director for Environment</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wards</b></p>	<p>Golders Green, Finchley Church End, West Finchley, Woodhouse, East Finchley, Garden Suburb, Childs Hill</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Status</b></p>	<p>Public</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Urgent</b></p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Key</b></p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Enclosures</b></p>	<p>Appendix 1 – Progress update report on actions requested by Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee</p>
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<p><b>Summary</b></p>
<p>This report provides Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee with an update on the actions agreed by the Committee, on-going Committee approved schemes and new requests that were approved at the March 2016 Committee.</p> <p>Appendix 1 of this report provides a summary of the actions requested by the Committee, progress made to date, action required by officers and recommendations to be considered by Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee.</p>

<p><b>Recommendations</b></p>
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<p><b>1. That the Committee notes the update and actions set out in Appendix 1 of this report.</b></p>
<p><b>2. In the matter of The Vale, NW11 – Speed Cushions</b></p> <p>i. That the Committee note the update provided in Appendix 1 of this report on The Vale, NW11.</p> <p>ii. That the Committee note the Officer recommendation that the speed cushions remain in The Vale (north-east of the junction with Greenfield Gardens).</p>
<p><b>3. In the matter of The Woodhouse Road, N12</b></p> <p>i. That the Committee note the update provided in Appendix 1 of this report on Woodhouse Road, N12.</p> <p>ii. That the Committee agree the installation of 2no. 30mph Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) on Woodhouse Road in the vicinity of Lewes Road.</p> <p>iii. That the Committee agree expenditure of £7,000 from the Area Committee (CIL) Budget to install the VAS.</p>

## **1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED**

- 1.1 This report provides a progress update and recommended actions of the actions requested by the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee. These are referenced for the purpose of tracking progress and reporting back to future Committee meetings.

## **2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The recommendations provide an update on progress and action following 30 March 2016 F&GG Area Committee.
- 2.2 Appendix 1 provides a progress update on these progress update on all action/schemes previously approved for progression by the F&GG Area Committee. It should be noted that not all of these schemes are Area Committee funded but some are funded using alternative funding such as Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding 16/17 and/or the 16/17 Capital allocation for Pavement Work.

### **The Vale, NW11**

- 2.3 In Appendix 1, with reference to the item on The Vale, at a site meeting was held following the removal of the width restriction on The Vale. Councillors Zinkin and Ryde requested that the existing speed cushions, north-east of the junction with Greenfield Gardens, are removed due to the concerns raised by residents of the vibrations that are affecting their properties.

- 2.4 However, officers recommend that the speed cushions are retained in this location to help achieve the 20mph speed restriction that is now in place on The Vale. If removed it would be recommended that alternative measures such as 'priority give ways' would need to be installed to ensure speeds do not increase in this location. It should be noted that other measures would incur additional costs and may result in the loss of parking in the vicinity.
- 2.5 The Committee are therefore requested to confirm that the speed cushions will remain in The Vale, NW11.

### **Woodhouse Road, N12**

- 2.6 In Appendix 1, with reference to the item on Woodhouse Road, it is noted that the 20mph scheme for the Woodhouse Road area is not programmed to be implemented until the 2017/18 financial year.
- 2.7 Therefore, to address the concerns raised regarding speeding in the interim 2no. 30mph VAS are proposed for Woodhouse Road .
- 2.8 The Committee are therefore requested to agree the funding of £7,000 from the Area Committee (CIL) Budget.
- 2.9 Following the implementation of the 20mph Scheme the 30mph VAS will be re-located to another road.

## **3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED**

- 3.1 Officers have assessed the appropriate actions needed to progress the requests of the F&GG Area Committee and have set out the appropriate recommendations. There are no alternative options to consider. However, the Committee could decide not to proceed with the recommended options.

## **4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION**

- 4.1 Following the decision of the committee, actions listed in the progress report (Appendix 1) will be followed up, commissioned and tracked. Reports will be provided to a future Committee where stated. The Commissioning Director for Environment is responsible for maintaining a log of actions arising from area committees and commissioning the works. The Commissioning Director for Environment will ensure that items are progressed to committees for decisions and/or updates as and when required.

## **5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION**

### **5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance**

- 5.1.1 The Area Committee Budgets contribute to the objectives as set out in the

Council's 2015-2020 Corporate Plan:

*That Barnet's local environment will be clean and attractive, with well-maintained roads and pavements, flowing traffic, increased recycling and less waste sent to landfill.*

## **5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)**

5.2.1 The cost implications of the actions requested by the Committee for the individual schemes were agreed at previous F&GG Area Committees. These will be funded from the budget for the area committee or the 2016/17 Capital allocation for Pavement Work.

5.2.2 The Committee should note that there are possible further cost implications to the council relating to the individual schemes. These costs will be detailed in the proposed update reports or specific scheme reports presented at future Committee meetings for Members to consider and authorise, reject or refer to the Environment Committee.

5.2.3 Scheme funded using The LIP funding 'Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures Programmes 2015/16 and 2016/17' are detailed in Appendix 1. For the LIP 2016/17 Programme and of the £3,4013,000 allocation £1,300,000 has been identified for the following generic areas, Traffic Management and Road Safety Programme (£500,000), School Travel Schemes Programme (£500,000), Parking Review Programme (£100,000) and 20mph Schemes programme (£200,000).

## **5.3 Social Value**

5.3.1 Not relevant to this report

## **5.4 Legal and Constitutional References**

5.4.1 Under the Council's Constitution, 15A Responsibility for Functions, Annex A – the terms of reference of the Area Committees includes to:

- Discharge any functions, within the budget and policy framework agreed by Policy and Resources Committee, of the theme committees that they agree are more properly delegated to a local level including but not limited to local highways and safety schemes;
- Administer any local budget delegated from Policy and Resources Committee for these committees in accordance with the framework set by the Policy and Resources Committee.”
- Powers to deal with small public works

## **5.5 Risk Management**

5.5.1 If the Council did not carry out due diligence in conducting the proposed approach to interventions requested by the Committee for example consultation and feasibility studies there would be a risk that resources would not be used effectively or that the full cost implications of implementing the actions of the committee are not identified. Therefore the approach recommended in this report mitigates this risk and ensures that the Committee are able to make informed decisions on actions which are supported by an

assessment of the works required, full cost implications and realistic time scales for completion. This approach also ensures the management of expectation of members and residents and promotes transparency.

5.5.2 Schemes address issues such as road safety, schemes will improve the safety and would also help to reduce potential accidents. Schemes will also be beneficial in reducing congestion and where traffic is kept moving the emissions from vehicles are reduced, thereby reducing air pollution.

5.5.3 However, schemes also include construction elements with inherent hazards.

## **5.6 Equalities and Diversity**

5.6.1 Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 requires a decision-maker to have 'due regard' to achieving a number of equality goals:

- (i) to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by the Act;
- (ii) to advance equality of opportunity between those with protected characteristics and those without; and
- (iii) to foster good relations between persons with a relevant protected characteristic and those without.

The relevant protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation. It also covers marriage and civil partnership with regard to eliminating discrimination.

5.6.2 With regard to the council's public sector equality duty under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, it is not considered that the proposals in this report will disproportionately disadvantage or benefit members of any protected group.

5.6.3 Individual proposals have been or will be subject to further consideration of equalities impacts as they are developed and approved.

5.6.4 LB Barnet Council owes a duty of care to all road users and endeavours to ensure a safe environment for vulnerable user groups.

## **5.7 Consultation and Engagement**

5.7.1 Consultation and engagement required for each action is set out in the progress report – Appendix 1.

## **5.8 Insight**

5.8.1 Not relevant to this report.

## 6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 The report of 27 January 2015 Environment Committee Highways Planned Maintenance 2015-16.  
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s20549/Highways%20Planned%20Improvement%20Programme%20201516.pdf>
- 6.2 The report to Environment Committee, 11 June 2015.  
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s23705/Review%20of%20Area%20Committees%20their%20relationship%20with%20the%20Environment%20Committee.pdf>
- 6.3 Minutes of previous minutes that are relevant to Annex 1 and 2 can be found here: <http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?Committeeld=712>
- 6.4 An update on the review of Area Committee Actions (2015-2016) Report to Finchley and Golders Green Committee 21 October 2015.  
<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s26609/An%20update%20on%20the%20review%20of%20Area%20Committee%20Actions%202015-2016.pdf>
- 6.5 Progress update on Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee Actions on 13 January 2016.  
<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s28631/Progress%20update%20on%20actions.pdf>
- 6.6 Minutes of the previous meeting of the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee, 13 January 2016.  
<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/g8266/Printed%20minutes%2013th-Jan-016%2019.00%20Finchley%20Golders%20Green%20Area%20Committee.pdf?T=1>
- 6.7 Minutes of the previous meeting of the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee, 30 March 2016.  
<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=712&MId=8267&Ver=4>