

Minutes

Petition Hearing – Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation

15 July 2009

Meeting held at the Civic Centre, Uxbridge

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1.	<p>FIELD END ROAD, RUISLIP- PETITION REQUESTING ZEBRA CROSSING BETWEEN FERNCROFT AVENUE AND WOODLANDS AVENUE.</p> <p><i>Concerns and suggestions raised at the meeting included the following:</i></p> <p><i>Lead Petitioner</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>• Zebra crossing needed without further delay to enable children attending Newnham School to safely cross Field End Road.</i><i>• Would prefer to see option 1 being implemented and referred to further crossings in Field End Road within 5 metres of a junction.</i><i>• Lack of a crossing in this part of Field End Road discourages parents walking their children to school.</i><i>• Option 1 is no better or worse than other crossings in Field End Road.</i> <p><i>Other Resident</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>• Concern at lead petitioner supporting option 1 as the Metropolitan Police states that this option would be unsafe and would not be in support of this option.</i><i>• A zebra crossing is needed in this location due to the number of pedestrians crossing in this location.</i><i>• Option 2 is not a viable option as the bus stop cannot be moved.</i><i>• Option 3 addresses and resolves all the issues and would be happy for this option to proceed.</i><i>• There is an alternative option that would use the existing road island that is currently used as a crossing point and would not incur much cost to implement</i> <p>Councillors Eddie Lavery and Michael White attended the meeting and spoke as Ward Councillors.</p>	<p>Action By:</p> <p><i>Catherine Freeman Environment and Consumer Protection</i></p>
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Councillor Keith Burrows listened to the concerns of the petitioners and responded to the points raised. He stated that Various options had been considered and discussed over a long period of time and want to see a crossing installed as soon as possible at this point in Field End Road, The recommendation would enable officers to proceed in developing the preferred option, that being option 3.

Resolved -

That the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Noted the petition request.**
- 2. Acknowledged the objections to the proposals for a zebra crossing.**
- 3. Met with and listened to the petitioners' request for a zebra crossing**
- 4. Considered the responses to the informal consultation for the installation of a zebra crossing at Option 1 which was a location approximately 10 metres north-west of Ferncroft Avenue (Appendix C) and Option 2 which was a location approximately 40 metres north-west of the south-eastern arm of Woodland Avenue (Appendix D)**
- 5. Asked officers to develop Option 3, which proposed to install a zebra crossing on Field End Road at the southern arm of Ferncroft Avenue, as shown on Appendix G, and report back to the Cabinet Member.**

Reasons for Recommendation

To investigate in further detail the request of the petitioners and the objections put forward by local residents.

Alternative Options Considered

Options will be discussed with the petitioners.

Relevant Ward

Cavendish

<p>2.</p>	<p>MERRYFIELDS, UXBRIDGE – PETITION REQUESTING RESIDENTS PARKING SCHEME</p> <p><i>Concerns and suggestions raised at the meeting included the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Merryfields is a narrow cul-de-sac opposite Uxbridge High School and close to Brunel University.</i> • <i>Inconsiderate parking takes place blocking residents drives, with cars not being moved until late at night or for longer periods. There have been instances where cars have been parked for up to 2 weeks.</i> • <i>Parking takes place on both sides of the narrow road restricting access for emergency vehicles</i> • <i>Residents from surrounding areas park in the road only using their cars at weekends.</i> • <i>The road is not part of the Uxbridge South Parking Scheme and residents would like to see it included in this scheme.</i> <p>Councillor Keith Burrows listened to the concerns of the petitioners and responded to the points raised.</p> <p>Resolved -</p> <p>The Cabinet Member approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The installation of “At any time” waiting restrictions on the east side of Merryfields from its junction with The Greenway and the northern flank wall of No. 10 Merryfields 2. The Detailed design and statutory consultation for Merryfields to become part of the Uxbridge South Residents Permit Parking Scheme. <p>Reasons for Recommendation</p> <p>The petition was signed by a majority of the households in Merryfields requesting the introduction of double yellow lines and residents parking.</p> <p>Alternative Options Considered</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Relevant Ward:</p> <p>Brunel</p>	<p>Action By:</p> <p><i>Jack Webster Environment and Consumer Protection</i></p>
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<p>3.</p>	<p>MYRTLESIDE CLOSE, NORTHWOOD – PETITION REQUESTING PARKING RESTRICTIONS FOR NON-RESIDENTS</p> <p><i>Concerns and suggestions raised at the meeting included the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>There are currently no parking restrictions in Myrtleside Close with residents now finding it difficult to park during the day as the road is being used by commuters.</i> • <i>The flats are mainly occupied by elderly people and they have carers, (including ambulance) who need to visit throughout the day and they are finding parking increasingly difficult</i> • <i>Residents would prefer to see the introduction of restricted parking between 1 & 2 p.m. with residents having permits for this period as currently operated in Green Lane.</i> <p>Councillor Keith Burrows listened to the concerns of the petitioners and responded to the points raised.</p> <p>Resolved -</p> <p>That the Cabinet Member:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Met and discussed with petitioners the parking issues of concern and the options available to the council for improvement. 2. Asked Officers to carry out an informal consultation with all households in Myrtleside Close to establish the support for a Parking Management Scheme. <p>Reasons For Recommendation</p> <p>The petitioners represent a small number of the total households in Myrtleside Close and although they have requested a Parking Management Scheme, it would be necessary to establish if there was overall support within the road for the installation of a scheme</p> <p>Alternative Options Considered</p> <p>Limited time waiting restrictions would prevent “All day” parking but also apply to residents during the hours of operation.</p> <p>Relevant Ward:</p> <p>Northwood</p>	<p>Action By:</p> <p><i>Jack Webster Environment and Consumer Protection</i></p>
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<p>4.</p>	<p>WALTHAM AVENUE, HAYES – PETITION TO STOP OR RESTRICT NON-RESIDENTIAL PARKING</p> <p><i>Concerns and suggestions raised at the meeting included the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>There has been an increase in non-resident parking in the eastern part of the Waltham Avenue, which does not allow residents to park close to their own homes.</i> • <i>The petition was to enable dialogue with the Council to seek help with the parking issues and the options available.</i> • <i>One resident had asked for their name to be removed from the petition.</i> • <i>Another resident present at the meeting raised concerns at the lack of information to those residents who had not signed the petition.</i> <p>Councillor John Oswell attended the meeting and spoke as a Ward Councillor.</p> <p>Councillor Keith Burrows listened to the concerns of the petitioners and responded to the points raised and stated that there were only 2 options that could be considered for this area. The first would be for residents to be consulted on a Parking Management Scheme but as this had been opposed previously it was not felt this was a viable option. The second option was for limited waiting restrictions for 1 hour per day, which would also mean that residents would not be able to park during the one hour restriction. In answer to a question on the installation of white lines in front of dropped kerbs the Cabinet Member advised that there was a cost to the resident and although this discourages parking it was not enforceable.</p> <p>Resolved -</p> <p>That no further action be taken.</p> <p>Reasons For Recommendation</p> <p>The petitioner’s have requested dialogue with the council to discuss measures that can either stop or restrict parking by non-residents in their road. The options available to the Council to control on-street parking were not considered appropriate by the residents.</p> <p>Alternative Options Considered</p> <p>The residents could consider the introduction of short term waiting restrictions which would prevent “All day” parking but</p>	<p>Action By:</p> <p><i>Jack Webster Environment and Consumer Protection</i></p>
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	<p>stop them from parking during the operational period.</p> <p>Relevant Ward:</p> <p>Pinkwell</p>	
5.	<p>VINE LANE AND CHETWYND DRIVE, UXBRIDGE – PETITION REQUESTING TO BE INCLUDED IN THE HILLINGDON HILL PARKING SCHEME</p> <p><i>Concerns and suggestions raised at the meeting included the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>If the Hillingdon Hill Parking Management Scheme takes place the effect would be for additional parking to take place in Vine Lane/Chetwynd Drive in addition to the current parking problems.</i> • <i>Cedars House has insufficient parking leading to vehicles parking in Vine Lane blocking drives.</i> • <i>Parking of Commercial and other vehicles some in a poor state of repair takes place from the shops on the Uxbridge Road as they have no off street parking.</i> • <i>Residents from the flats in Uxbridge Road having to park in surrounding streets as they have no off street parking.</i> • <i>Vine Lane is used as a rat run and in need of a Camera installed in the road. Although there are speed restrictions there is no respect for the signed right of way.</i> • <i>Would like Vine Line/Chetwynd Drive to be included in the Hillingdon Hill Parking Management Scheme.</i> <p>Councillor Keith Burrows listened to the concerns of the petitioners and responded to the points raised.</p> <p>Resolved -</p> <p>That the Cabinet Member:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussed with the petitioners their parking problems and options available to the council to address the concerns. 2. Subject to the Cabinet Member’s approval to the proposed Hillingdon Hill Parking Scheme, asked Officers to include this section of Vine Lane and Chetwynd Drive within the subsequent review and carry this out at the earliest opportunity 	<p>Action By:</p> <p><i>Jack Webster Environment and Consumer Protection</i></p>

	<p>Reasons For Recommendation</p> <p>To address the resident's concerns with parking, these roads could be included in the Hillingdon Hill Parking Scheme review if the proposed scheme comes into operation. There may be other options available in the interim to address the resident's concerns.</p> <p>Alternative Options Considered</p> <p>These will be discussed with the petitioners.</p> <p>Relevant Ward:</p> <p>Uxbridge North</p>	
	<p>Meeting closed at: 8.40 p.m.</p> <p>Next meeting: 16 September 2009</p>	
	<p>Executive Scrutiny Call-in</p> <p>The above decisions may only come into effect on 5pm on Thursday 30 July 2009. unless called-in by the Executive Scrutiny Committee. The Committee will notify the Head of Democratic Services its wish to call-in any decisions by this date.</p>	<p>Action By: Democratic Services</p>

These are the minutes of the above meeting. For more information on any of the resolutions please contact Gill Brice on 01895 250693. Circulation of these minutes is to Councillors, Officers, the Press and Members of the Public.