

BEDDINGTON AND WALLINGTON LOCAL COMMITTEE**17 July 2018 at 7.00 pm**

MEMBERS: Councillor Joyce Melican (Chair), Councillor Marian James (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Manuel Abellan, Steve Cook, Tim Foster, Sunita Gordon, Jillian Green, Edward Joyce, Nick Matthey, Jayne McCoy and Muhammad Sadiq

ABSENT: Councillor(s) Mo Saqib

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed those present.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Saqib for absence and apologies for lateness from Councillor Abellan

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: that the minutes from the meeting held on the 27 February 2018 be agreed and signed as an accurate record, subject to amendments from Councillor McCoy regarding further detail being added to item 43 to clarify that rather than a drop Kerb the requirement is in fact for "a kerb to be introduced to delineate the access, so pedestrians would be aware that they are crossing an access point for vehicles, particularly visually impaired pedestrians.

5. UPDATE FROM THE SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

There was a written update provided as part of the agenda pack.

6. APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

RESOLVED: that Helen Wood be appointed to represent the Alcester Court Residents Association on the Beddington & Wallington Local Committee.

7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A local resident queried a letter received from the Council which said that Amberwood Close is a private road (which he advised was not the case). The resident asked that double yellow lines be added to the road as residents are unable to enter and leave.

A number of residents asked for feedback on proposals for the Sheen Way playing fields. Concerns were raised regarding access for emergency services, the possible increase in traffic in this area if this site was developed and a planning application being submitted for a school.

Duncan Clarke, Strategic Planning Manager, responded that Sheen Way playing fields is an allocated site in the local plan known as site S97 - allocated for a special needs school and open space. In the previous plan the site had been designated for a primary school and residential development. The Strategic Planning Manager advised that if a planning application is submitted, it would be subject to a transport assessment and consultation. Officers and residents met in a room outside the meeting, to ask further questions on this subject.

8. PETITION: BEDDINGTON PARK FITNESS TRAIL

The committee considered a petition from Karen Savage and Tracey Lloyd, submitted 8 June 2018, on the installation of a fitness trail at Beddington Park. The report was presented by Clare Smith, Lead Locality Officer.

In debate, Members queried public safety insurance to which the Lead Locality Officer responded that the Council would provide this, if agreed, in the same way as for any park play equipment.

Members discussed funding given other priorities, such as public toilets, and queried whether any commercial funding was available. The Lead Locality Officer offered to provide the petitioners with details of possible grant funding. Local residents asked if there were any plans for additional car parking spaces within the park included within the proposal and the officer confirmed there were not.

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Members felt this was a good opportunity to encourage use of the park, and that it is a free facility for health and fitness. The petitioner confirmed they would be open to other locations and funding suggestions.

RESOLVED that the feasibility of installing a fitness trail in Beddington Park be investigated.

9. ENGAGEMENT SESSION

The session was held to seek opinions from the community on changes they would like to see at local committee meetings.

The Lead Locality Officer advised residents of the suggestions already received from Community representatives and asked residents to respond to the four questions on: meeting structure, topics, venues, and encouraging wider attendance. Time was spent documenting suggestions which were taken away for consideration to be shared with the local committee at a later date.

10. SUTTON COUNCIL'S NEW LOCAL PLAN

A short presentation was delivered by Duncan Clarke, Strategic Planning Manager, and Dean James, Senior Planner, on the Council's new local plan which was adopted in February 2018.

Councillor Nick Matthey requested clarification on the policy within the plan on air pollution and Officers referred to policy 34. A local resident asked for more information on the public realm guide which was confirmed to be under preparation and would focus on Sutton town centre.

Further discussion took place on provision of parking spaces for proposed developments in the area. Officers confirmed that in areas like Sutton town centre, there may be car-free residential development, and in areas with low public transport accessibility, the plan allows more parking for new developments. A resident asked where the tramlink route would terminate and officers confirmed there would be one route ending in Sutton Town Centre with a route extension safeguarded to serve the London Cancer Hub in Belmont.

11. PARKING STRATEGY UPDATE

Ian Price, Team Leader Strategy and Commissioning (Highways), provided an update to the committee following recent consultation. The presentation is attached to the minutes for reference.

Members asked about process for this local committee area and expressed disappointment that it would be the last to start the strategy review and consultation. It was confirmed the process for the area would start in 18 Months' time under a two stage approach. In addition to consulting residents, it was confirmed that all emergency services are approached for their feedback.

A local resident raised an issue of yellow lines being added to their road with no notice despite residents being against this proposal. The resident also asked for clarification on how the Delivery Plan was drawn up and why Beddington and Wallington was placed last. The officer requested details of the road to respond outside the meeting.

12. LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Ian Price, Team Leader Strategy and Commissioning (Highways), presented the report and outlined the proposed schemes to be considered for inclusion in to the 2019/20 bid to Transport for London (TfL). Four schemes outlined in the report were discussed and it was highlighted that, as there may not be funding for all to be completed, Members were asked to confirm a priority order.

Councillor Muhammad Sadiq advised that schemes 3 and 4 are both important and would like both, however, if there is not funding for both, to prioritise scheme 3. Councillor Gordon suggested that 20MPH zone for residents in Montagu Gardens be considered. Officers advised this suggestion could be looked at for later consideration.

Residents requested updates on schemes being designed for Tharp Road and Foresters Drive/Sandy Lane South junction. The officer provided a brief update and it was requested that a further update be provided at the next meeting

RESOLVED: that the proposed schemes in table 3.12 be endorsed and it be agreed that they be considered for inclusion in the submission to Transport of London in November 2018 for the 2019/20 programme.

13. RECOMMENDATIONS TRACKER

Beddington and Wallington Recommendation tracker, was presented by Claire Smith, Lead Locality Officer. There were no questions on this item.

14. PUBLIC REALM PROJECTS & NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANTS

Claire Smith, Lead Locality Officer, presented the report on public realm spending since 27 February 2018. The Chair reminded residents to bring forward ideas to be considered for funding by 6 August.

In respect of the report in this agenda on Area Improvements and Public Realm Programme on page 48, Councillor Sadiq commented that item 4.3 should read Elgin Road not Clyde Road.

RESOLVED: that

- 1. £2,100 be approved from Public Realm Capital for the planting of 4 trees in Park Lane.
- 2. £20,306 be approved for hanging baskets from Public Realm Capital converted to Revenue that was additionally ear marked in February 2017 from Public Realm Revenue.
- 3. £120 be approved from Public Realm capital for “No Fishing” signs at Elm Ponds.
- 4. £33,437 be approved on an annual basis until January 2022 for the continuation of festive lights from Public Realm Capital converted to Revenue.

The Chair thanked Officers for completing so many schemes.

15. ANY URGENT ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR

There were no urgent items discussed.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 30 October 2018 at a venue to be confirmed.

The meeting ended at 9.34 pm

Chair:

Date:

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