CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Venue: Town Hall, Moorgate Date Street, Rotherham. S60 2TH

Date: Monday, 1st July, 2013

Time: 10.30 a.m.

AGENDA

- 1. To determine if the following matters are to be considered under the categories suggested in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.
- 2. To determine any item which the Chairman is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.
- 3. Apologies for absence.
- 4. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 June 2013 (herewith) (Pages 1 3)
- 5. Proposed Deployment of CCTV Parking Enforcement Vehicle (report herewith) (Pages 4 7)
- 6. Review of the experimental closure of Broom Avenue at its junction with Wickersley Road, Rotherham
- 7. Exclusion of the Press and Public

The following item is likely to be considered in the absence of the press and public as being exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended March 2006 – information relates to finance and business affairs and is commercially confidential).

- 8. Riverside House Additional Furniture (Pages 8 10)
- 9. Date and time of next meeting Monday 15 July 2013 at 2.00 pm

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Present:- Councillor Smith (in the Chair) and Councillor Clark. Councillor Dodson was also in attendance.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Godfrey.

G10. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 3RD JUNE, 2013

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development, held on 3rd June, 2013, be approved as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

G11. REVENUE OUTTURN REPORT FOR 2012/2013

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Finance Manager describing the performance against budget for the Environment and Development Services Directorate revenue accounts for the financial year 1st April 2012 to 31st March 2013.

Resolved:- (1) That the report be received and its contents noted.

(2) That the outturn position for the Environment and Development Services Directorate Revenue budgets for the 2012/2013 financial year, as now reported and showing an overspend of £185,000, be noted.

(3) That it be noted that there are no requests for earmarked balances to be carried forward to the 2013/14 financial year.

G12. PROPOSED TOUCAN CROSSING, CENTENARY WAY

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Andrew Butler, Senior Traffic Engineer, describing a proposed scheme to install a staggered Toucan Crossing, for both pedestrians and cyclists, on the A630 Centenary Way, Rotherham, near to Bailey House and the Rotherham Community Health Centre. This proposal would enable the existing subway outside Bailey House to be closed and a level walkway/cycle route would replace the existing ramped access to the subway.

The proposed Toucan crossing would form part of a link to the A633 Rotherham town centre to Parkgate/Rawmarsh cycle route. This route is financed from the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (Minute No. 33 of the meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development held on 28th August 2012, Minute 33 refers). The proposed scheme would utilise Rawmarsh Road to link cyclists to this route.

Resolved:- (1) That the report be received and its contents noted.

(2) That detailed design work and consultation be carried out in respect of the installation of a staggered Toucan Crossing, for both pedestrians and cyclists, on the A630 Centenary Way, Rotherham.

(3) That, subject to no objections being received, the scheme be implemented.

(4) That the footways identified on drawing number 126/17/TT175, now submitted, be designated as shared pedestrian and cycle use under the provisions of Sections 65(1) and 66(4) of the Highways Act 1980.

G13. PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT SCHEME, MAIN STREET, ROTHERHAM TOWN CENTRE

Consideration was given to a report presented by Andrew Butler, Senior Traffic Engineer, concerning the proposal for a pedestrian improvement scheme on Main Street, Rotherham, at its junction with The Statutes, adjacent to the Council's Riverside House office building. The proposed pedestrian improvement scheme, which includes the introduction of a 20 mph vehicle speed limit on part of Main Street and the installation of a new zebra crossing adjacent to Riverside House, was detailed in the submitted report and shown on the drawing attached to the report.

Members noted that, subject to approval and completion of the scheme, it is also proposed that vehicle speed surveys be undertaken in this area and, if they are not commensurate with the proposed 20mph limit, further measures (including vertical traffic calming) will be considered to ensure adherence to the proposed speed limit.

Resolved:- (1) That the report be received and its contents noted.

(2) That the consultation process and the detailed design work be undertaken in respect of the proposed pedestrian improvement scheme on Main Street, Rotherham, at its junction with The Statutes, adjacent to Riverside House and as detailed in the submitted report and drawing.

(3) That, subject to there being no objections received, the scheme be implemented.

G14. PROPOSED ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS A6021 BROOM ROAD, ROTHERHAM

Further to Minute No. 6 of the meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development held on 3rd June, 2013, consideration was given to a report presented by Andrew Butler, Senior Traffic Engineer, concerning the outcome of resident consultations on the proposed accessibility improvements on the A6021 Broom Road, Rotherham (near to Rudston School).

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Attached to the report were a summary of comments and representations received, a petition objecting to the proposed cycle lane on Broom Road and drawings showing the layout of the proposed highway improvement scheme.

Members noted the principal objectives of this highway improvement scheme were to improve pedestrian crossing facilities adjacent to Rudston School and to the Rotherham hospice, reduce overall vehicle speeds and limit the amount of non-resident vehicle parking on Broom Road, especially in the area near to the Rotherham hospice.

Resolved:- (1) That the report and petition be received and their contents noted.

(2) That an enlarged pedestrian refuge be constructed on the A6021 Broom Road outside the Rudston School and the pedestrian refuge between the Rotherham hospice and Broom Crescent be constructed, as shown on drawing 126/17/TT232.

(3) That, subject to no objections being received during the statutory consultations for the proposed no waiting at any time and, no waiting Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 4.00 pm restrictions on the A6021 Broom Road, the waiting restrictions be implemented.

(4) That a cycle lane on the A6021 Broom Road, with coloured surfacing, and advisory cycle lane and sheltered parking area, as shown on Drawing No. 126/17/TT122 submitted, be approved in principle subject to funding being available to introduce the cycle lane in conjunction with a carriageway resurfacing scheme.

(5) That the petitioners and residents be informed accordingly.

G15. CONFERENCE

Resolved:- That 2 Members be authorised to attend the APSE Annual Conference to be held in Liverpool on 4th-5th September, 2013.

G16. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: -

Resolved:- (1) That the next meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development be held at the Town Hall, Rotherham on Monday, 1st July, 2013, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

(2) That the next following meeting be held at the Town Hall, Rotherham on Monday, 15th July, 2013, commencing at the altered time of 2.00 p.m.

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development
2.	Date:	Monday 1 st July 2013
3.	Title:	Proposed deployment of CCTV parking enforcement vehicle
4.	Programme Area:	Environment and Development Services

5. Summary

This report gives details of the proposal to deploy a CCTV parking enforcement vehicle in identified areas which are known to be subject to unsafe parking activities.

6. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- a) Cabinet Member approves the priorities for deployment of the mobile CCTV enforcement vehicle;
- b) Cabinet Member approves the recommended methods of communication of the proposals;
- c) A report on the operational impact of the vehicle is brought back after 6 months.

7. Details

Funding has been obtained from the South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership for the purchase of mobile CCTV vehicle which will enable the Council improve enforcement against illegal parking activities.

The CCTV equipment and software automatically recognises locations which are the subject of Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) through a GPS signal and collects evidence of parking offences; it does not require manual operation. The evidence is downloaded onto the Parking Services notice processing software and a process of evidence review will then be undertaken by a qualified officer. Vehicles which are deemed to be parked in contravention of the regulations will then be the subject of a DVLA enquiry and Penalty Charge Notices (PCN) will then be sent by post to the registered keeper.

It is anticipated that the vehicle will be operational by the end of July 2013, subject to the testing of the system being successfully completed.

Training for staff is scheduled to start during the week of 12th June 2013.

The vehicle will be deployed across the borough, with priority being given to the following locations:

- Outside schools during term time at school "drop off" and "pick up" times;
- On urban clearways;
- In areas where "loading bans" are in operation;
- Restricted bus stops;
- Pedestrian Crossing points;
- In pre-identified "hot spot" areas where waiting restrictions prevail but the restrictions are very often flouted;
- Hackney Carriage Ranks, including outside of 'normal' office hours.

Advice has been received from the Department for Transport regarding signage requirements for the project (see Appendix A). In summary, there is no (on-street) requirement for signage to be installed regarding this type of parking enforcement, standard highway signs and markings that inform drivers of the restrictions in place are sufficient. Consideration has been given to methods of informing drivers that this type of parking enforcement may be undertaken; it is recommended that the following communication methods are undertaken:

- The vehicle to be marked with the standard CCTV sign
- An appropriate press release

8. Finance

The initial cost to implement the initiative has been met by funds provided by the SY Safer Roads Partnership, and the ongoing operational costs will be met from within the approved revenue budget.

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9. Risks and Uncertainties

All parking enforcement can be contentious, and there may be a certain amount of adverse publicity regarding this proposal.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The proposals would support the *Corporate Plan* as follows:

Helping to create safe and healthy communities

- Reducing the numbers of children injured or killed in road traffic accidents.
- Improve road safety and deal with concerns in the community, particularly outside schools.
- We will ensure minimal people are killed and injured on our roads through the delivery of road safety interventions to encourage safer road use.
- We will ensure all schools have clearway restrictions and undertake enforcement to prevent parking by March 2013

The proposals would support *The Sheffield City Region Transport Strategy 2011 – 2026* as follows:

<u>To maximise safety</u>

- W. To encourage safer road use and reduce casualties on our roads.
- X. To work with police to enforce traffic laws.
- Y. To focus safety efforts on vulnerable groups.

To support economic growth

• L. To reduce the amount of productive time lost on the strategic road network and improve its resilience and reliability.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

The Sheffield City Region Transport Strategy 2011 – 2026 The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002

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Appendix A

The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 prescribe the sign to diagrams 878 and 879 for the following camera enforcement situations –

- Traffic Signals
- Speed
- Traffic signals and speed
- Traffic enforcement
- Police
- Police enforcement
- Bus lane
- Average speed check

However, these do not include any legend to inform road users of enforcement by CCTV.

The Department does not have any particular advice on this matter as this is a decision for each highway authority. There is no requirement to place signs to diagram 878 or 879. It is for a highway authority to determine how it enforces its traffic orders and there is no legislative requirement to indicate this to road users. What matters is that the individual restrictions and prohibitions are correctly signed.

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