

CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT
2nd June, 2014

Present:- Councillor Smith (in the Chair); together with Councillors Dodson and Swift.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Clark.

G138. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS HELD ON 6TH MAY 2014 AND ON 8TH MAY 2014

Resolved:- That the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development, held on (i) 6th May, 2014 and on (ii) 8th May, 2014, be approved as correct records for signature by the Chairman.

G139. A633 ROTHERHAM TO PARKGATE - BUS PRIORITY MEASURES

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Transportation and Highways Projects Manager concerning the proposal to improve bus journey time reliability and reduce delays to traffic on the A633 Rotherham Road between the Rotherham town centre and Parkgate. The proposals would include:-

(i) the introduction of a bus and cycle only lane on the south bound carriageway of the A633 Rotherham Road, between Taylor's Lane and Stadium Way, as shown on drawing No 126/17/TT299 submitted;

(ii) alterations in Parkgate to the A633 Broad Street junction with Greasbrough Road, to allow further 'green' time to be allocated to the main A633 traffic flows; this proposal will reduce queuing traffic and buses on the A633, leading to more reliable journey times for buses and general traffic; should it be considered that these changes do not provide the expected journey time improvements, it is proposed to develop a wider traffic management scheme in Parkgate, which would include:-

- installation of a Toucan Crossing on the A633 Broad Street, near to its junction with Greasbrough Road, to replace the current crossing facility;

- Greasbrough Road to become one-way only, west bound between Broad Street and Bear Tree Road;

- School Road to be reopened at its junction with Greasbrough Road, to provide an alternative route to the A633 south bound and to the Rotherham town centre via Taylors Lane/Mangham Road;

- School Road will also include a one-way plug, to prevent north bound traffic using Westfield Road as a short cut the A633 Rawmarsh Hill and incorporate a contra-flow cycle lane on the shared use footway;

- Westfield Road residents will be consulted about a one-way plug near to its junction with Rawmarsh Hill, to deter south bound traffic from using Westfield Road as an alternative to the A633;

however, whilst it is recommended that the Traffic Regulation Orders are promoted, this aspect would only be considered if the traffic signal alterations are considered to be insufficient.

(iii) it is also proposed to:-

- install a Toucan Crossing on Taylors Lane near the A633 Broad Street roundabout, subject to full analysis;

- on Greasbrough Road, establish a loading bay/disabled parking bay adjacent to the DIY shop and a loading bay outside the Public House.

(these proposals are shown on drawing number 126/17/TT255 submitted);

(iv) kerb-line alterations are to be made to the St Ann's roundabout, enabling buses to undertake the left turn from the A630 Centenary Way into the A633 St Ann's Road (north) without over-running the nearside kerb or taking this turn much wider than required.

Members noted that a significant amount of funding for these proposals will be allocated from the South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive, using the Local Sustainable Transport Fund 2014/15. However, some additional funding would be required during the 2015/2016 financial year.

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

(2) That the principle of a bus and cycle only lane being installed on the A633 Rotherham Road, between the Rotherham town centre and Parkgate, as detailed in the report now submitted, be approved.

(3) That the statutory public consultations and detailed design associated with the proposed bus priority measures, as described at (2) above, be undertaken and, subject to there being no objections raised, the scheme be implemented.

(4) That further discussions take place with the South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive about the funding of the A633 Rotherham Road bus and cycle only lane, in order to identify the necessary funding for the above proposals from 1st April 2015.

G140. OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS - AREAS OF WELLGATE AND MOORGATE, ROTHERHAM

Further to Minute No. 201 of the meeting of the Cabinet Member and

Advisers for Regeneration and Development Services held on 2nd March 2009, consideration was given to a report presented by the Transportation and Highways Projects Manager detailing the objections received to the proposed introduction of waiting restrictions on various roads in the Wellgate and Moorgate areas of Rotherham.

The specific proposals were detailed on drawings numbers 122/18/1291-RevB2013 and 122/18/1291RevC-2014 and affected all or parts of the following roads:-

Wellgate
Albany Street / Allan Street
Clifton Lane
Clifton Mount
Moorgate Road
Godstone Road
Tooker Road
Hall Road
Reneville Road / Reneville Close
Heather Close
Rotherstoke Close

Members noted that because of previous objections from local residents it was not intended, at this time, to introduce 'residents only' vehicle parking restrictions in this area, although monitoring of parking in the area will continue.

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

(2) That, after due consideration by Elected Members, the objections to proposed waiting restrictions on the various roads in the Wellgate and Moorgate areas of Rotherham, be acceded to and not acceded to, as indicated and detailed within the submitted report.

(3) That the Legal Orders for the waiting restrictions in the Moorgate and Wellgate areas of Rotherham, as indicated on Drawing No.122/18/1291RevC-2014 submitted, be implemented during the 2014/15 financial year and the Director of Legal and Democratic Services undertake the necessary legal formalities.

(4) The objectors to the proposals be informed of the above decisions.

G141. PETITION - CONDITION OF THE CARRIAGEWAY - TEMPLE CRESCENT, BRAMLEY

Consideration was given to a petition, containing 19 signatures, from residents of Temple Crescent, Bramley, requesting that repairs are undertaken urgently to the surface of that road.

Consideration was also given to a report, presented by the Principal

Highways Officer, Streetpride, which described the cyclical safety inspections undertaken at this residential road and stated that some highway surface defects have been repaired.

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

(2) That the lead petitioner be informed that:-

(a) the carriageway resurfacing works for Temple Crescent, Bramley will be considered at future proposed works programme meetings, together with other highway maintenance sites; and

(b) the cyclical safety inspections of this highway will continue.

G142. PETITION - CONDITION OF THE CARRIAGEWAY - COOK AVENUE, MALTBY

Further to Minute No. 119 of the meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development held on 7th April, 2014, consideration was given to a petition, containing 67 signatures, from residents of Cook Avenue, Maltby, requesting that repairs are undertaken urgently to the surface of that road.

Consideration was also given to a report, presented by the Principal Highways Officer, Streetpride, which described the cyclical safety inspections undertaken at this cul-de-sac and stated that some highway surface patching has been completed.

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

(2) That the lead petitioner be informed that:-

(a) the carriageway resurfacing works for Cook Avenue, Maltby will be considered at future proposed works programme meetings, together with other highway maintenance sites; and

(b) the cyclical safety inspections of this highway will continue.

G143. GREEN LANE, RAWMARSH - PROPOSED ZEBRA CROSSING

Consideration was given to a report, presented by the Transportation and Highways Projects Manager, describing the following proposals to improve road safety at Green Lane, Rawmarsh, near to the Rawmarsh St. Joseph's Junior and Infant School and the Church:-

i) the location meets this Council's criteria for implementing a controlled crossing; the speed and volume of vehicles travelling along Green Lane is such that a zebra crossing is the most appropriate form of pedestrian

crossing to implement;

ii) the installation of a 'No Waiting At Any Time' restriction, to the east of the proposed zebra crossing (in front of the Church) will remove any potential parking in this location; however, wedding and funeral vehicles will be permitted to stop for short periods of time;

iii) the re-siting of a bus box marking to the west of the proposed zebra crossing.

The various scheme proposals were detailed on drawing number 126/17/TT186 submitted to the meeting. Funding for the scheme is allocated from the Local Transport Plan Integrated Transport Capital Programme 2014/2015.

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

(2) That the scheme to improve road safety at Green Lane, Rawmarsh, near to the Rawmarsh St. Joseph's Junior and Infant School and the Church, as detailed in the report now submitted, be noted.

(3) That the detailed design for the proposed scheme be undertaken and, subject to no objections being received, the scheme be implemented.