

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
JOINT PARKING COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 22 OCTOBER 2013 AT 4.00 P.M.
IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

PART 1

PRESENT: County and
District Councillors:

S.C.C. Spicer, Mrs. A. (Chairman)
S.C.C. Adamson, G. (Vice-Chairman)

Dixon, D.I. S.C.C. Dudson, A.
Fisher, P.A. S.C.C. Martin, G.
Rowley, J.

Cannock Chase Council Officers:

- Tennant, I. (Head of Housing and Waste Management)
- Thomas, C. (Parking Services Manager)
- Schofield, S. (Senior Technical Officer)
- Berry, M. (Senior Committee Officer)

Staffordshire County Council Officers:

- Keeling, M. (Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager)

9. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C. Bennett (Environment Portfolio Leader) and J. Presland (Waste and Engineering Services Manager).

10. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members

No further Declarations of Interests were made in addition to those already confirmed by Members in the Register of Members Interests.

11. Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed.

12. Civil Parking Enforcement Progress Report for the Period July to September 2013

Consideration was given to the Report of the Head of Housing and Waste Management (Item 4.1 – 4.7 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Senior Technical Officer raised that there had been an increase in the number of Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) issued in the District compared to the same period in 2012, but Lichfield, South Staffordshire and Tamworth had also seen an increase.

RESOLVED:

That the contents of the report be noted.

13. Prioritisation of Parking Related Traffic Regulation Orders

Consideration was given to the Report of the County Council's Corporate Director for Development Services (Enclosure 5.1 – 5.14 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager talked Members through each of the requests received since the previous meeting for the creation of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) within the District and provided an update on TROs currently in progress:

Bryans Lane, Rugeley (Item 5.5 – 5.6)

A number of complaints had been received regarding parked cars which were causing congestion along the Lane between Morrisons island and the Fire Station. The local Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) had requested that provision of restrictions be looked into.

SCC A. Dudson queried if residents could be issued with parking permits, as he had received a number of complaints about other traffic queuing along the road to use the local car wash.

The Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager replied that parking permits were a different scheme from TROs, and that an extensive consultation exercise would need to be conducted, as potential cost factors were involved. Furthermore, with the area concerned being small in scale, taking this approach may not be feasible.

Green Heath Road, Cannock (Item 5.7)

Complaints had been received by residents that people were parking on the footpath/service road in front of their properties when dropping off/collecting children from the local school. Road markings had recently been painted to try and discourage people from parking in the affected area.

The Senior Technical Officer reported that earlier on this year, a joint exercise had been undertaken with the Civil Enforcement Officers (CEOs) and PCSOs to try and alleviate the issue, and that contact could be made with the school to request they write to parents about the problems being caused.

Brunswick Road/Hanover Place, Cannock (Item 5.8)

Implementation of this TRO had been completed and would be kept under review. Residents so far seemed happy with the scheme in place, however there was concern about tailbacks being caused further down the road, which the local PCSOs have been asked to monitor.

A34 Stafford Road, Cannock (Item 5.8)

Work was still in progress, update as per the report.

Market Street, Hednesford (Item 5.8)

Work on progressing this TRO was well underway, with the consultation period due to close on 31 October 2013. As long as no objections were raised, the TRO would be implemented as soon as possible.

SCC G. Adamson queried how soon it could be implemented?

The Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager replied that on the basis of no objections being received, it would be within four to six weeks, but certainly before Christmas.

On-street Parking in Cannock Town Centre (Item 5.9 – 5.12)

The Chairman tabled revised recommendations.

Priorities List (Item 5.13 – 5.14)

The Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager updated Members on the status of the current priorities for 2013-14:

- *Post Office Lane, Slitting Mill* – an advert was currently out for consultation.
- *Sheep Fair/Lion Street, Rugeley* – this was now the next priority to be actioned due to the number of complaints received.
- *Reserve for amending Mill Street/Spring Street if On-street Parking charging scheme is not implemented* – this would now need to be reviewed following the revised recommendations approved for Item 5.9 – 5.12.
- *Anglesey Street, Hednesford* – this was considered to be a relatively straightforward action to implement.

Members then discussed the proposed priorities for 2014/15.

RESOLVED:

- (A) That the request for Bryans Lane, Rugeley, be supported, and listed as a priority item for 2015/16, and that affected residents be

written to at a later date regarding this decision.

- (B) That the request for Green Heath Road, Cannock, be supported and added to the priority list.
- (C) That the updates to the 2013/14 priority list be noted.
- (D) That the priority actions for Girton Road, Cannock and Coniston Way/Ullswater Place, Cannock, be deferred from 2014/15 and be re-prioritised at a later date.
- (E) That the priority list for 2014/15 be set as follows:
 - (i) Beecroft Road, Cannock, outside Post Office.
 - (ii) Manor Road, Cannock, outside Library.
 - (iii) Stafford Road, Cannock, outside Royal Oak.
 - (iv) Pye Green Road, Cannock, outside School.
- (F) That 23 new parking bays be created within Cannock Town Centre to encourage short stay shopping, offering motorists flexibility and choice and contribute to supporting the local economy and Cannock Town Centre and that:
 - (i) The new parking bays are situated in Manor Avenue, Mill Street and Stafford Road.
 - (ii) The order applies from 8am to 6pm Monday to Saturday with a maximum stay of 40 minutes and no return within 4 hours.
 - (iii) The new parking bays are free of charge.
- (G) That no charges are made in relation to the 60 existing free of charge limited waiting parking bays.

14. Date of Next Meeting

Members noted that the next meeting of the Joint Parking Committee was scheduled for 28 January 2014 at 4.00pm.

The meeting closed at 4.50 pm.

CHAIRMAN