

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
JOINT PARKING COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 29 APRIL, 2014 AT 4.00 P.M.
IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

PART 1

PRESENT : District and County Councillors:-

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

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

Cannock Chase Council Officers:

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

Staffordshire County Council Officer:

- Keeling, M. (Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager)

24. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Staffordshire County Councillor G. Martin and David Walters (Regulation and Governance Manager, S.C.C.)

25. 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.

26. Minutes

The Chairman asked for an update on the position regarding the Residents Parking Zone in Newhall Street. The Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager explained that the scheme was moving forward and was being assessed by the County Council to ensure it was

technically feasible. A further update would be given at the next meeting.

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 28 January, 2014 be approved as a correct record.

27. Civil Parking Enforcement Progress Report for the Period January to March 2014

Consideration was given to the Report of the Head of Housing and Waste Management (Item 4.1 – 4.9 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

RESOLVED:

That the contents of the report be noted.

28. Prioritisation of Parking Related Traffic Regulation Orders

Consideration was given to the Report of the County Council's Corporate Director for Development Services (Item 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.

Consideration was given to the request in relation to Keys Park Road, Hednesford and the parking taking place at weekends by visitors to the nearby football ground. It was agreed that the request should be placed on the list of requests requiring further review.

With regard to the requests in relation to Chenet Way, Cannock and Martindale, Cannock the Committee considered that no further action be taken.

In respect of the request in relation to Spring Street, Cannock it was explained that this had been linked together with the Mill Street request. However, following consultation with the residents some objections had been received to extending the double yellow lines along Spring Street. It had therefore been agreed to proceed with the Mill Street request separately from Spring Street.

The Chairman had concern regarding the parking in Spring Street and suggested that double yellow lines be placed outside numbers 5 and 7 Spring Street. The Committee agreed with this suggestion and therefore the request was supported.

With regard to the current Traffic Regulation Orders in progress (as

detailed on Enclosure 5.13) the Officer commented that the Mill Street Order was at the consultation stage and he would provide a further update at the next meeting.

A Member made reference to the Post Office Lane Order which had been completed in January, 2014. The Member commented on the width of the double yellow lines as he considered they were very narrow. He also had concern that, as the lines did not extend all the way around the bend, there were still parked vehicles along part of the road and this was making it dangerous for vehicles to see coming around the bend.

The Officer commented that the width of the double yellow lines were narrower as Post Office Lane was in a conservation area. The Order had been made in response to problems being experienced with parked vehicles whose owners were going mountain biking. Lines were placed in the problem area as not everyone supported double yellow lines outside their homes. The Committee asked for this request to be brought back for a review.

The Community Infrastructure and Liaison Manager made reference to the current priorities list for 2014/15. He commented that Members had agreed to support the request for a Traffic Regulation Order in respect of Spring Street, Cannock. However, as the 2014/15 programme was full consideration would need to be given to which Order out of the 4 listed should be removed from the priority list to make room for the Spring Street Order.

The Committee agreed to remove the request in respect of Stafford Road, Cannock from the 2014/15 priorities list and place it on the pending list. It would be replaced by the Spring Street, Cannock Order. However, Spring Street would be placed as the 4th priority.

Reference was made to Anglesey Street, Hednesford and Members noted that parking was a problem especially when lorries for a number of the businesses were unloading. The Senior Technical Officer commented that a no loading ban along Anglesey Street had previously been considered. However, some of the businesses had objected as they had no rear access for deliveries and therefore this had not been supported.

A Member raised concern regarding Littleworth Hill, Hednesford where parents and teachers of St Peters School were parking and the children were having to walk down the middle of the road. It was considered that urgent action was required before someone got injured. The Officer commented that alternative engineering measures were being investigated. He would liaise with Councillor Adamson and, if necessary, report back to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

- (A) That the request in relation to Keys Park Road, Hednesford be placed on the list of requests requiring further review.
- (B) That no action be taking regarding the requests in relation to Chenet Way, Cannock and Martindale, Cannock.
- (C) That the request in relation to Spring Street, Cannock be supported and added to the priority list.
- (D) That the Traffic Regulation Order in respect of Post Office Lane, Slitting Mill be brought back for a review.
- (E) That the current priorities list for 2014/15 be amended so that Stafford Road, Cannock be removed from the list and placed on the pending list and Spring Street, Cannock be added to the 2014/15 list as the 4th priority.

29. Date of Future Meetings

Members noted that the meetings of the Joint Parking Committee were scheduled for 17 July, 2014, 22 October, 2014, 4 February, 2015 and 29 April, 2015 at 4.00pm.

The meeting closed at 4.40pm

CHAIRMAN