

JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on 15 December 2020 at 5.30 pm in by Video Conference.

Present: KCC Councillor Rosalind Binks (Chairman); Councillors Crittenden, Fellows (Thanet District Council), Hart (Thanet District Council), Keen (Thanet District Council), M Saunders (Thanet District Council), Scobie (Thanet District Council), Taylor (Thanet District Council), Dawson (Kent County Council - Birchington & Rural), Hurst (Kent County Councillor - Birchington & Rural) and Pennington (Westgate-on-sea Town Council)

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from KCC Councillor Lewis.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Councillor Taylor proposed, Councillor Hart seconded and Members agreed the minutes to be a correct record of the meeting held on 12 September 2019.

4. **HIGHWAY FORWARD WORKS PROGRAMME – 2020/21 ONWARDS**

Mr Valek, District Manager, KCC Highways, Transportation and Waste Service introduced the report which provided an update on schemes approved for construction in 2020/21.

During consideration of the item it was noted that:

- Works had continued during the Covid 19 pandemic, this included a pothole blitz that took place alongside reactive works.
- Compliments were offered to those involved in the installation of traffic calming measures along Flete Road, Manston.
- The Chair noted a crash hotspot in St Peters Park Road that she wished to bring to Officer's attention.

The report was noted.

5. **LOCAL WINTER SERVICE PLAN**

Mr Valek introduced the report noting that the Plan was produced each year and outlined the arrangements between Kent County Council and Thanet District Council in the event of a winter snow emergency.

Members noted the report.

6. **CANTERBURY ROAD, WESTGATE-ON-SEA PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

Mr Heaps, KCC Schemes Project Manager (Thanet), presented the report. During the presentation it was noted that:

- The scheme had been supported by KCC Councillors Dawson and Hurst, and Westgate-on-sea Town Council.

- It would be funded through the local transport plan and grants from both KCC Members for the area.
- Access to Hengist Road would be restricted.
- A full consultation exercise had been undertaken, and around 100 responses were received. 77% of respondents were in favour of the proposal.

Councillor Scott addressed the Board under council procedure rule 20.1. He spoke in favour of the proposal, highlighting that the proposal would make crossing the road safer for school children and other pedestrians.

During discussion of the item by Board, it was noted that the signal lights should be synchronised with the other traffic lights in the road. This would be coordinated by the traffic light team.

Members were in support of the proposal and noted the report.

7. PARKING PLACES FOR DISABLED PERSONS VEHICLES - THANET

Ms Vickers, TDC Acting Director of Environment, introduced the report and advised that the Council wished to make 13 disabled parking bays enforceable within the on street parking order.

Councillor Fellows proposed, Councillor M Saunders seconded and the Board agreed to recommend:

‘That the parking places for disabled person’s vehicles as listed in annex 1 to the report be exposed for formal public consultation;

That the proposals which require statutory consultation are advertised, and that any traffic related objections are reported back to a future meeting of the Board.’

Meeting concluded: 6.10pm