

## JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2022 at 7.00 pm in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

**Present:** KCC Councillor Rosalind Binks (Chair); Councillors M Saunders (Thanet District Council), Fellows (Thanet District Council), Scobie (Thanet District Council), Crow-Brown (Kent County Council - Birchington and Rural), Wright (Kent County Council - Birchington and Rural) and Quittenden (Minster Parish Council)

**In Attendance:** Councillor D Saunders

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Shonk, Lewis, Yates and Cornford.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Crow-Brown proposed, Councillor Scobie seconded and Members agreed that the minutes be approved as a correct record of the meeting held on 12 October 2022.

**POINT OF INTEREST:** The Chair advised Committee members, that KCC officers would not be appearance this night, due to an insistence of a digital attendance, something that TDC can not provide.

Members asked if the meeting could be recorded separately to allow use of a digital appearance, but it was explained that it would not be possible and would not be in line with the Local Government Act 1972.

### 4. PARKING PLACES FOR DISABLED PERSONS VEHICLES - THANET VARIOUS

The Chair introduced this item to the committee and invited Members to discuss the item. Members made the following comments:

- That the parking places for disabled persons' vehicles be advertised so that the general public are aware of these spaces

Councillor Scobie proposed, Councillor Wright seconded and Members agreed to the following:

1. *"To recommend option 1; that the parking places for disabled person's vehicles as listed in annex 1 to the report be subject to a formal public consultation;*
2. *That the proposals which require statutory consultation be advertised, and that any traffic related objections be reported back to a future meeting of the Board."*

### 5. THE HIGHWAY WORKS PROGRAMME

The Chair introduced the report to the committee and invited Members to discuss the item. Members made the following comments:

- Drainage Repairs and Improvements, as per Appendix B were discussed, including the possibility of improving the frequency of TDC street cleaning, to reduce blockages in drains and gullies. Members were keen to see the TDC street cleaning schedules
- Developer Funded Works, via Appendix E, there was a question from the Chairman regarding the meaning of the phrase “Awaiting submission” in the report in relation to planning applications such as Reading Street Road which is the subject of an appeal
- The Chairman will seek clarification from the Area Manager whether this merely records a Highways opinion having been sought or an assumption that an application will proceed

Committee members noted this report.

## **6. CASUALTY REDUCTION MEASURES - NORTHDOWN ROAD**

The Chair introduced this item to the committee and explained that this matter had been already approved by Kent County Councillor David Brazier, Cabinet Member for Highways & Transport. However, discussion was still encouraged:

- Members noted that they were happy with the scheme itself, but were concerned that the officer recommendation was approved without prior discussion by the Joint Transport Board;
- Members raised further concerns that this proposal did not have consideration on local businesses

Committee members noted the report.

## **7. PROPOSED 20MPH SPEED LIMIT SALMESTONE AND DANE VALLEY**

The Chair introduced the item to the committee and invited Members to discuss the report. Members made comments and asked questions as follows:

- Concerns were raised about the fact that funding had not yet been identified for this scheme. As a result, this left the committee members initially hesitant to make any recommendations;
- Members approved of the scheme itself, taking note of the cheap cost and the positive effect it would have on surrounding families;
- Members also questioned how this would be enforced and asked whether the Kent Police would be involved in enforcement of the new speed limit being proposed
- In principle most Members were in favour of the scheme, noting the relatively low cost of installation and the positive

Councillor Crow-Brown proposed, Councillor Scobie seconded and Members agreed (following a vote of 4 to 3), the following:

*“That the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for the speed limit be made as advertised, pending confirmed identification of funding for the signs and road markings, within the statutory 24 month period.”*

Meeting concluded: 7.29 pm