

## CAMBRIDGE CITY JOINT AREA COMMITTEE (CJAC): MINUTES

Agenda Item No: 4

**Date:** Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Time:** 4:30pm – 4:45pm

**Venue:** Kreis Viersen Room, Shire Hall, Cambridge

**Present:** City Councillors: R Robertson (Chairman), A Martinelli, N Massey, C Payne, M Sargeant and M Smart

County Councillors: L Jones (Vice-Chairwoman), N Kavanagh, I Manning, E Meschini and A Taylor

### **64. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Apologies were received from Councillor Harrison.

There were no declarations of interest.

### **65. MINUTES - 22ND OCTOBER 2019**

The minutes of the meeting, held on 22nd October 2019, were agreed as a correct record, subject to the following amendments (removal in strikethrough, addition in bold), and signed by the Chairman:

- A review of the scheme had been carried out following the completion of twelve months after its implementation in ~~Autumn~~ **November** 2017, with the major issue identified as a need for further ~~car and bicycle parking spaces~~ **short stay parking spaces for visitors to the school and library.**  
(second sentence, first paragraph of Minute 58)
- Suggested that the ~~scheme~~ **mixed use bay** could run from 10am-5pm instead of 10am-7pm, thus alleviating unnecessary problems for residents when returning from work.  
(first sentence, second bullet point of Minute 58)

### **66. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

A public question was presented to the Committee by Mrs Caroline Brettell on behalf of Mr Michael Page. Referring to the Committee meeting held on 27th November 2018, at which it was decided to implement parking controls in the Ascham area, Mr Page drew Members' attention to a steer that had been proposed by Councillor Sargeant and unanimously accepted by the Committee at the meeting. Noting that the steer indicated support for the potential incorporation of Elizabeth to the Ascham Resident Parking Scheme (RPS) at a later date, Mr Page queried why no action had been taken to seek Ascham residents' agreement for such an incorporation, as called for by the steer.

The Chairman thanked Mr Page for his question and advised that a written response would be issued within 10 working days of the meeting.

**67. TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER OBJECTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS ON VICTORIA STREET, CAMBRIDGE**

The Chairman informed the Committee that on the request of the applicant, the item had been deferred to a future Committee meeting.

**68. CONSIDER OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS IN COLERIDGE AREA, CAMBRIDGE**

The Committee received a report which detailed the objections that had been made to proposed waiting restrictions in the Coleridge area following a review of the RPS that had been implemented in Autumn 2018. Members' attention was drawn to section 2.5 of the report, which indicated that the proposals had received a significant level of support as well as objections and the Committee was reminded that they were not required to consider the proposals that had only received support.

Mr Michael Sutcliffe, a local resident of the Coleridge area, was invited by the Chairman to address the Committee. Mr Sutcliffe noted that the parking spaces on Rustat Road were used by residents with no alternative off-road parking, as well as visitors to local businesses in the hours outside the scheme's operation. He suggested that the original problem of traffic building up due to cars turning on and off Cherry Hinton Road during rush hour periods had largely ceased to occur and that the consultation process had failed to take into account the views of the various stakeholders. He also noted that it was a residential area and consideration needed to be given to cyclists and pedestrians.

Councillor Kavanagh spoke as the local County Council Member for Romsey and indicated that the proposed changes had been identified as necessary by residents of the area, noting that despite the success and popularity of the RPS, the surrounding area was suffering from displacement. Acknowledging the objections raised by the public speaker, he argued that alternative parking spaces could usually be found within 100 metres of those on Rustat Road that it was being proposed to remove. He also informed the Committee that all the proposed double yellow lines had been suggested to improve safety by addressing the issue of cars parking close to road junctions.

Councillor Taylor indicated her support as the local County Council Member for Queens Edith's for the proposed changes within her ward.

While discussing the report, Members:

- Argued that the issues raised regarding proposed changes on Rustat Road had been satisfactorily resolved by officers in the responses laid out on page 43 of the report.
- Noted that when vehicles were parked on both sides of Rustat Road it was difficult for other vehicles to enter and exit the road at the same time.

It was resolved unanimously to:

- a) Introduce the proposed waiting restrictions as shown on the drawing shown in Appendix 1 as published; and
- b) Inform the objectors accordingly.

Chairman  
9th June 2020