

Hampshire Action (HAT) for Eastleigh and Fareham

Action Notes for Fareham HAT Highways Meeting Monday 21 March 2011, 3.00pm Pulheim and Vannes Room, Fareham Borough Council

Attendance (P = Present NP = Not Present A = Apologies Received)

HAT Members

Councillor K Evans (HAT Vice Chairman, Chairing meeting) (P)
Councillor Davidovitz (HAT Chairman) (A)
Councillor Woodward (P)
Councillor Ellis (P)
Councillor Price (A)
Councillor Knight (P)
Councillor Hockley (P)
Councillor Bryant (P)

Hampshire County Council Officers

Kate Fryatt, HAT Officer (P)
Neil Jones, Deputy Director, PBRIS (A)
James Atkins (P)
Chris Lait, Area Director, Environment Dept. (P)
Mary-Ann Toop, Environment Dept. (P)
Andrew Peryer, Environment Dept. (P)
Alison Mills, Environment Dept. (P)

Partners

Councillor Swanbrow, Fareham Borough Council (P)
Councillor Trott, Fareham Borough Council (P)
Councillor Davies, Fareham Borough Council (A)
Richard Hudson, Fareham Borough Council (P)

Cllr Evans welcomed all HAT Members and partners to the meeting. As part of the continuing plans to make highway services as efficient and effective as possible a number of changes are taking place in the highways and transport service stream. The new Area South Highway team will comprise of Fareham, Gosport, Havant and Winchester Districts. Chris Lait will be the Head of Highways and his management team will comprise of 3 highway managers, Andy Peryer, Peter Mitchell and Peter Eade, with Andy Peryer having particular responsibility for Fareham and Gosport

The Transport Manager contact will be Mary-Ann Toop and the local Traffic Management contact will be Alison Mills.

Agreement in principle has been agreed to consolidate Highway maintenance teams into a single team approach and co-locating with our maintenance contractor, Amey, based at the four main depots at Hook, Petersfield, Totton and

Bishops Waltham over the next 12-18 months. Negotiations with Amey are in hand.

Councillor Woodward commented that it would be a huge loss to lose Hampshire Highways Team from the Civic Offices. Officers assured Members that formal notice would be given to Fareham Borough Council when more detail has been established.

Item 1: Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Davidovitz, Price and Davies (FBC), and Neil Jones.

Item 2: Notes of Highways Meeting held on 1 October 2010

The notes were agreed as an accurate record.

Item 3: Matters arising from Highways HAT meeting held on 1 October 2010

The matters arising were agreed and noted.

Item 4: List of Previous Actions on local issues – issues log

Members noted the paper and made the following points.

Item 07/09 – Old Turnpike /Wickham Road

This was discussed at length and the following action was agreed to try and find an interim short term solution to this issue that remains outstanding after several years.

ACTION 1 : Chris Lait to ask FBC if they can look at putting white hatchings around the area as a short term solution pending permanent footway solution. Members felt this was a high priority.

Item 05/10 – Mill Lane

The local Member noted the costs involved but requested signage to warn of pedestrians crossing be investigated for safety reasons and concern for young people crossing the road.

ACTION 2: Alison Mills to investigate possibility of erecting pedestrian crossing warning signage in Mill Lane.

Item 08/10 Cuckoo Lane

Members noted there has been correspondence between a local resident and the executive member for Environment.

ACTION 3: Alison Mills to follow up recent detailed e-mail from resident and ensure a response has been sent.

Item 09/10 Highlands Road

Members noted and discussed pedestrian safety in the area and local traffic congestion. They were advised that further investigations are ongoing.

Item 09/10 M27 Junction 11

Members were advised that following a series of accidents a draft scheme has been prepared which includes lining issues. Discussions are ongoing with Highways Agency.

Item 02/11 Peak Lane, Stubbington

Members were informed that investigations into the issue have only just begun.

Item 5. Progress with the 2010/11 Schemes Programme

Members noted the tables and made the following comments and requested the actions listed below.

ACTION 4: Miller Drive- table 1 p3 , officers to investigate whether the speed humps have been built up sufficiently during carriageway resurfacing.

ACTION 5: Oxford Close, Table 1 p4- the turning head has a large amount of loose gravel and needs sweeping.

A27 Bridge Road, Table 4b p9 – the scheme has not been finalised but is likely to comprise of hatchings and include a cycle lane.

Dibles Road, Table 4b p9 – there will be speed checks in the summer. There are likely to be issues in relation to the number of signs able to be put up as Hook is in a conservation area.

West Street, Fareham, table 4c p10 – Fareham Borough Council should be able to advise on timescale – it is in the programme for 2010/11.

Lockswood Road, Fareham, Table 4c p10 – Members felt strongly that there should be consistency of a single speed limit along this road. Officers explained that there are different safety issues between the northern and southern sections of this road and there is good compliance of the 40mph area.

ITEM 5. Proposed Capital Programme 2011/12

Members noted the tables and made the following comments and requested the actions listed below.

Kiln Road, Table 5 p2 – this is in Fareham North and not Funtley

Oakcroft Lane, Table 5 p2 – this is in Stubbington and not Park Gate

Vicarage Lane, Stubbington, Table 6 p5- Cllr Knights support for road widening needs to be added to the table.

In relation to table 6, Minor Works under £50,000, Members were advised that the top 3 prioritised schemes would be implemented during 2011/12.

A27 demand Management Scheme, table 7 p6 – Members expressed concern at the practicality of traffic lights on the A27. Officers explained that they need to ensure adequate mitigation of the impact of development in Locks Heath. Traffic Lights can control traffic flow and make the crossing safer for pedestrians and cyclists.

Table 8a – Traffic management. Officers explained that a new priority assessment process is being prepared to prioritise traffic management in a more consistent and measured manner. The process will involve a technical assessment which will link predominantly to road safety but will also link to the Local Transport Plan objectives.

ACTION 6: Verge Parking Zones, Table 8b p10 Members requested officers ask DMT to consider including in their written response to Department for Transport that the new guidance is changed to allow for blanket verge parking zones to be established without the need to lots of local signage. Members suggested a policy similar to no alcohol zones and HGV restrictions.

Item 7: Local and Strategic Issues

1. Fareham Town Access Plan

Stephen Gee gave a presentation. It was explained that the Plan would be a flexible and “living” document with short, medium and long term schemes up to 2026. It will take into account any future development north of Fareham and elements of BRT.

2. QA Hospital

A plan of the scheme was available for Members. TfSH are funding the development of a bus turning circle. Detailed design work is underway and the scheme should be built in the summer holidays 2011. Bus services 1A and 5 from Fareham have agreed to use this and take passengers to the bus stop immediately outside the main hospital entrance.

3. Quay Street

The legal sections with Tesco's have been signed and agreed. Planning consent is in place and work commences imminently. Newsletters were sent out last week. Road works are expected to commence in early May and will comprise of partial lane closures at night time only. A PR strategy has been agreed and is being implemented.

Members expressed concern over noise levels of HGV's reversing on the new site. Officers explained that issues of noise are being considered but would be a matter for Environmental Health.

ACTION 7: Officers to check and ensure that residents in Bath lane have been included in the leaflet drop by Tesco's.

4. BRT

Members enquired about the final completion date – this is not yet determined. The grant money for the project has been spent.

A question was raised about the Village green Application. This is to be considered at a special County Regulatory Meeting on 11 April 2011.

5. Transport Contributions Policy Scheme List.

This item generated much discussion. Members agreed to the scheme in principle for use in negotiations during the planning process.

The below action was requested in relation to the list.

ACTION 8. This item to be carried forward as a single item on the Agenda. The spreadsheet needs greater clarity and detail, with the following points being incorporated:

- **Details of costings included**
- **More details of schemes to include identification of feasibility studies and implementation**
- **Links to other priorities shown e.g. how they link to PUSH, Fareham TAP, TfSH**
- **Schemes logically grouped together**
- **New column for Members comments and priorities (Low/medium/High)**

6. Daedalus

There have been a number of recent meeting regarding future use of this area. SEEDA ran a public Exhibition in March and a planning application (outline) has been submitted combined with access routes. Officers have been negotiating potential developer contributions for highways.

ACTION 9: Councillor Knight requested the below two points are considered by officers for inclusion in the County's formal response to the planning Application:

- **Concern of residents in Stubbington regarding the increased volume of traffic which would be added to an already congested area of Stubbington Lane**
- **Concern that HGV traffic will use Tichfield Road (clay based) rather than Newgate Lane which will create problems in Fareham Crofton area.**

7. A and B Speed Limit Review update

Members noted the paper and the list of named roads handed out during the meeting. Only 2 roads are of concern in Fareham which will need further action. These are A32 Gosport Road and A32 Wickham Road.

ACTION 10: The recommendations in the speed limit review paper refer to HATs. As HATs are ending future reports and recommendations need to be reported to Members at future Highways meetings (format to be confirmed).

Item 8: AOB

There was no other business and the meeting concluded at 4.45pm.