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Date of issue: Friday, 13 March 2020

MEETING	EXTRAORDINARY NEIGHBOURHOODS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES SCRUTINY PANEL (Councillors Plenty (Chair), Wright, Ajaib, Gahir, M Holledge, Hulme, Matloob, Minhas, and S Parmar) <u>Non-Voting Co-opted Members</u> Manvinder Matharu (Residents Panel Board) Trevor Pollard (Residents Panel Board)
DATE AND TIME:	TUESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 2020 AT 6.30 PM
VENUE:	COUNCIL CHAMBER - OBSERVATORY HOUSE, 25 WINDSOR ROAD, SL1 2EL
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SUPPLEMENTARY PAPERS

The following papers have been added to the agenda for the above meeting:-

* Item 5 – the attached additional information was not available for publication with the rest of the agenda.

PART 1

AGENDA ITEM	REPORT TITLE	PAGE	<u>WARD</u>
5.	Highways and Parking in Slough	1 - 8	All



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Scheme	Scheme Details	Proposed Start Date of Project	Current status
Upton Road	Introduce a residents permit scheme	April 2018	Completed - January 2019
Elmhurst Road	Introduce a residents permit scheme	October 2018	Completed - March 2019
Upton Lea Parade	Introduce limited waiting bays and parking restrictions under an experimental order to 7 locations around Upton Lea Parade	November 2018	Completed - March 2019
Bus lane and bus gate implementation	Introduce 3 bus gates and review signage and lining and follow legal process to make 8 existing bus lanes enforceable under an experimental order	January 2019	Completed - June 2019

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Virtual permits	To introduce virtual permits to the Borough for on street and off street parking	February 2019	Completed - March 2019
Waiting Restrictions 17.18	List of requests for 50 restrictions around the Borough	February/ March 2019	Completed - July 2019
Turton Way	Review road layout to assist with housing project under experimental order	May 2019	Completed - June 2019
Hatfield Road	Design and amend existing restrictions in Hatfield Road whilst car park is being refurbished	June 2019	Completed - July 2019

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Chalvey Road East	Include in zone L1 residents permit scheme	June 2019	Completed July 2019 (implementation suspended due to expanding to other areas)
Finefield Walk/ Montem Lane	Montem Lane and Finefield Walk - review existing restictions and propose new restrictions to assist with commuter/ school parking issues under an experimental order	July/ August 2019	Completed September 2019
High Street Slough	Experimental order to change and improve restrictions in the High Street, High Street West and Church Street Slough	August 2019	Completed December 2019

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Salt Hill Way and White Close	Informal consultation for a residents permit scheme on Salt Hill Way and waiting restrictions on White Close	October 2019	Results from informal consultation have been analysed and meeting has taken place with ward Councillors. Scheme to be designed and formal legal process to start April 2020
Waiting Restrictions 18.19 + 19.20	List of requests for approximately 200 restrictions around the Borough	January 2020	Currently in design phase, planning to go out to consultation in approximately 3 months
Upton Lea Parade	Analyse representation relating to experimental scheme and make scheme permanent	February 2020	Legal documents being written

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Turton Way	Analyse representation relating to experimental scheme and make scheme permanent	February 2020	Legal documents being written
Chalvey residents permit scheme	To review zone L1 and incorporate Ragstone Road	February 2020	Design phase
Bus lane and bus gate implementation	Analyse representation relating to experimental scheme and make scheme permanent	March 2020	Representations to be analysed

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Lascelles Road	Informal consultation for a shared use bay (residents permit/ limited waiting) on one side of Lascelles Road	March 2020	Drafting residents letter
Finefield Walk/ Montem Lane	Analyse representation relating to experimental scheme and make scheme permanent	April 2020	
Langley St Marys parking review	Parking restrictions to be considered for Talbot Ave and surrounding roads (8 locations in total)		Informal consultation took place in August 2018
Stoke Poges Lane	Introduce restrictions similar to those on Oatlands Drive (alternate days)		
Borough wide	Review all SYL in the Borough, action from task and finish group		

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Pavement Parking Project	Policy amendments agreed. All requests via councillors.	Ongoing - to discuss with Cllr Swindlehurst	
Gosling Road	Ongoing issues, with parents parking blocking back entrance of school, and driveways, residents do not want a residents permit schemes, however double yellow lines proposed to back of school for road safety, this has been added to above waiting restrictions list that is currently being designed.		
Car Club Bays	Borough wide schemes in wards.		
S106	Look at any S106 contributions that will assist in funding borough wide schemes		
School exclusion zone	Investigate options		
Review parking restriction in High Street East	Standardise restriction to maximise kerb space		
Residents permit schemes	Norway Drive, St Johns Road, Wylands Road, Uxbridge Road		-

Background

Since 2015 the parking service lost a highly experience Parking Engineer which caused a back log in delivering schemes for a number of years. Recruitment for this post has been very difficult due to this being a niche market and the industry's lack of experienced engineers. In 2017 we were able to recruit to this post however; the officer went on long term sick which further delayed the progress on clearing the backlog. Unfortunately this issue was not resolved until April 2018 so we were unable to recruit to this post during this time period.

In 2017 an appeals officer was allocated and trained part time to deal with all correspondence being received relating to these area, the volume that is received is significantly high. In May 2018 we were able to take on an agency member of staff to assist in clearing the backlog, unfortunately the skills set did not meet the requirement for this role.

During this time although we had some engineering support the appeals officer expressed an interest in career progression and was interested in applying for this role and training began for the next 6 months. The candidate was successful and appointed to this role December 2018. Since April 2018 the above schemes have been delivered by this Engineer. Furthermore, we have not been able to allocate any further admin support which has meant the engineer is having to cover this aspect of the service. This service receives approximately 30-50 emails per day which is very demanding and unachievable for one Engineer to respond within a timely manner.

On a positive note the 2019 Star Chamber bid has confirm an additional Engineer post and we will be going out to advert in April/May 2020.

Moving forward, Sanjay Dhuna & Kam Hothi will be meeting with Councillors Swindlehurst and Anderson in two weeks to discuss future works and to look at Borough wide parking solutions which will direct the team going forward, this may include a streamline CIF process.