SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

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PART I

<u>ADDENDUM TO AGENDA ITEM 5: PETITION – BURNHAM TRAIN</u> STATION AND ROAD NETWORK IMPROVEMENTS

1 Purpose of Report

To inform Council of the comments and response of Cabinet from its meeting held on 14th September in relation to above scheme.

5 Comments of Other Committees

- 5.21 At its meeting held on 10th September 2015 the Overview & Scrutiny Committee referred the following matters to Cabinet:
 - 1. "That Option 1 implementation of a one way system as outlined in the Significant Decision (attached at Appendix A), be trialled as an Experimental Order for a period of 6 months.
 - 2. That monitoring data regarding the effectiveness of the scheme and its impact on the road network, local residents and businesses be reported to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee after a three month period."
- 5.22 The Cabinet considered these references at its meeting held on 14th September 2015 and resolved as follows:
 - (a) That Recommendation 1 "That Option 1 implementation of a one way system as outlined in the Significant Decision, be trialled as an Experimental Order for a period of 6 months" not be accepted for the following reasons:
 - It makes no reference to how the Council would deliver the wider regeneration scheme.
 - Should this regeneration scheme go ahead then a full closure of the road would have to be trialled in 2/3 years anyway, and it was considered appropriate to trial this option whilst the order was in place.
 - Implementation of a one way scheme would make it impossible to deliver the additional car park required for the

- regeneration scheme and would see the extra Crossrail parking pushed back onto residential streets.
- The rigid timeframe of leaving one order in place for a full 6 months would not be feasible and would not provide the freedom to adapt as and when needed, and potentially run multiple experiments.
- (b) That Recommendation 2 "That monitoring data regarding the effectiveness of the scheme and its impact on the road network, local residents and businesses be reported to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee after a three month period" be accepted and that it further be agreed that:
 - Two reports be taken to scrutiny, one after 3 months and a further one after 6 months at the end of the scheme.
 - The working group would meet monthly during the trial period to react and review the data.
 - SBC officers would hold a monthly meeting during the course of the experiment with councillors from affected wards (Haymill & Lynch Hill, Britwell & Northborough and Cippenham Green), and one representative from each of 'Think Burnham' and Burnham Parish Council.
- (c) That the recommendations of the Overview & Scrutiny Panel along with Cabinet's response be forwarded to full Council on 22nd September 2015 to be discussed as part the petition debate.