

ITEM 4

Time commenced : 6.30 pm
Time finished : 8.40 pm

AREA PANEL 4 (BLAGREAVES, LITTLEOVER AND MICKLEOVER WARDS) 29 NOVEMBER 2006

Present: Councillor Jones (Chair)
Councillors Allen, Hird, Care, Marshall, Skelton, Troup, Carr and Winter.

Also Present: Councillor Wynn

Derby City Council Officers:

Ellen Bird	-	Constitutional Services Officer
Richard Small	-	Area Panel Manager
Gemma Barlow	-	Constitutional Services Officer
Sara Allmond	-	Constitutional Services Officer
Peter Price	-	Transport Policy Manager
Fran Renwick	-	Assistant Head of Library Services
Inspector Shaun Skelton	-	Derbyshire Police

54 members of the public were in attendance.

30/06 Apologies for Absence

There were none.

31/06 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

32/06 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Jones declared a personal interest in minute number 40/06 as she used to be a Member of the Littleover Lane Allotments.

33/06 Minutes

Agreed that the Minutes of the Area Panel 4 meeting held on 27 September 2006 be confirmed as a correct record subject to the following amendment:

Parking at Derby High School (Pg 5)

‘Councillor Allen... ..had seen Police giving out tickets outside the High School.’ Be amended to read ‘Councillor Allen... ..reported that Police had given out Parking tickets at the School.’

34/06 Chairs Report

The Panel considered a verbal report providing an update of current activities, Progress on projects and successes in the Area Panel 4 area.

35/06 Presentation on New Mickleover Library

The Panel received a presentation from Fran Renwick on the new Library in Mickleover.

The Panel noted that consultation on the new facility had begun.

Resolved to welcome the presentation and to encourage the public to be involved in the Consultation about the new library facilities.

36/06 Petitions which relate to issues in the Mickleover, Littleover and Blagreaves Wards

To Receive new Petitions

The Panel received a petition requesting the removal of bollards on Chatsworth Drive.

Resolved to ask officers to investigate the petition and to report back to a future meeting.

To Consider Petitions Received Since the Last Meeting

a) Request for pedestrian crossing, Chain Lane

The Committee received a response from officers on the request for a pedestrian crossing on Chain Lane.

It was noted that Chain Lane did not meet the criteria for a pedestrian crossing but that a school crossing patrol was now running in the morning and in the evening.

Resolved to note the report and to request a review of the situation in 12 months or before if the School crossing patrol stopped for any reason.

b) Petition Requesting Parking Restrictions, Uttoxeter Road Mickleover

The lead petitioner spoke on behalf of local residents expressing his disappointment that the recommendation was to monitor the situation rather than to take any action. He warned that there would be a serious accident if this issue was not resolved. He expressed concern that any action to resolve this issue would take time and asked that this issue be progressed as quickly as possible.

Councillor Wynn, Cabinet Member for Transport and Housing informed the Panel that he had sympathy with residents who lived near the hospital site. He said that a park and ride scheme was under development. He accepted that the problems had been going on for a long time and stated that with the Panels support for prioritising the issue he would make the issue a personal priority.

The Littleover ward Councillors considered the areas around Uttoxeter Road needed to be targeted at the same time in order to avoid the problems with parking being pushed to a different area.

Resolved

1. To agree that the petitioners request be included within the investigations into the Kings Drive area scheme.

2. To note that officers will continue to monitor the situation on Uttoxeter Road. Should we proceed with the introduction of restrictions during 2007/08 their effectiveness will be monitored to ensure they meet our expectations.

3. To note there will be a report back to Area Panel 4 at a future date.

4. To note that the investigation into the introduction of additional waiting restrictions on the northern side of Uttoxeter Road has been added to the list for possible inclusion in the 2007/08 highways and transport work programme.

5. to thank the Cabinet Member for agreeing to make Uttoxeter Road a priority.

37/06 Area Panel Updates

To consider progress regarding community issues raised at previous Area Panel 4

meetings.

Millennium Wood

Resolved to note and close this issue.

Traffic on Stenson Road

It was noted that there had been 2 accidents and that vehicles from new houses would exacerbate this issue.

Chain Lane Petition

Resolved to note and close this issue.

Recycling Schemes Blagreaves

Resolved to note and close this issue.

Uttoxeter Road Petition

Resolved to note as recorded in minute number 36/06.

Maintenance on Pastures Hill Littleover

To note the report and to request a further report in March 2007.

Parking and Crossing on Pastures Hill Littleover

Resolved to note and close this issue.

Traffic on Haven Baulk Lane

Resolved to note the report.

Dog waste Bins, Haven Baulk Park, Littleover

The Panel decided to submit a funding application to supply 1 extra dual waste bin for the park.

No Smoking Policy Derby City Hospital

Resolved to note and close this item.

Hedge Cutting by Cycle Paths, Carlisle Avenue

Resolved to note and close this issue.

38/06 Public Question Time

Development of Littleover Community School

A resident commented on the possible development of Littleover Community School in response to the planned Rykneld Road housing developments. He asked when it would be known whether the school would have to expand onto its playing fields or a new school would be built to cater for the demand.

Councillor Allen confirmed that the school is full and that either a new school is built or Littleover Community school extended. He reported that conversations are taking place between the City Council and County Council because many of the houses planned will be in South Derbyshire for which the County Council is the Local Education Authority.

Councillor Wynn confirmed that a new primary school is planned for the area, that there is little opportunity for Littleover Community School to be extended and that discussions with the County Council are ongoing.

Trees at Post House Hotel Development

A resident asked if it was true that the trees by the new development were to be cut down. The Panel noted residents concerns about the removal of trees at the Post house and Councillor Carr reported that there were no plans that he was aware of to cut down the trees.

The Panel felt that the Council's tree policy would cover the trees and that it would be difficult for the trees to be removed legally.

Resolved to note the concerns.

Corden Avenue and Uttoxeter Road junction road surface

A resident informed the Panel that the tarmac on the road surface was in a poor state and had been due for repair. He asked what can be done to tackle the problem.

Councillor Care reported that work on the junction improvements had been on the reserve list for 2006/7 but funding had not been available.

Resolved to consider this issue when deciding on Area Panel 4's priorities for Highway and Transport Schemes for 2007/8

39/06 Consultation on Area Panel 4 2007/8 Programme of highways and transport schemes

The following schemes detailed in the report were prioritised by the Ward Councillors for each of the areas listed below (in no particular order).

Blagreaves

- Stenson Road/Blagreaves Lane - study on traffic management, neighbourhood centre improvements
- Blagreaves Lane/Stenson Road Junction - traffic mounting the footway
- Blagreaves Lane/The Hollow - installation of pedestrian crossing
- Witham Drive - turning head
- Old Hall Road/The Hollow/Hillsway - footway and junction improvements
- Moorway Lane to Oaklands Avenue - footway / cycleway, as a first reserve

Littleover

- Burton Road approach to outer ring road and Uttoxeter Road – integrated transport scheme
- Corden Avenue/Chain Lane –junction and signal improvements
- Havenbaulk Lane -traffic calming/footway improvements
- Griffie Field School – safer routes to schools
- Derby City Hospital Residential area – improvements to alleviate parking issues including Uttoxeter Road
- Pastures Hill – footway and junction improvements

Mickleover

- Warner Street – parking restrictions
- Station Road – pedestrian safety on railway bridge
- Etwall Road – widening footway
- Bramblebrook Park/Devonshire Drive – additional street lighting for the park
- Ravensdale Infant and Junior School - safer routes to school
- Mickleover Primary School – safer routes to school

40/06 Area Panel Budget Proposals 2006/07

Mickleover Aikido Club

The Committee received an application from Mickleover Aikido Club for £1948.

Resolved to grant the application for £1948.

Littleover Lane Allotments

The Panel received an application for £800 from Littleover Lane Allotments

Resolved to grant the application for £800.

41/06 Health Briefing from Greater Derby and Central Derby Primary Care Trusts (8.20pm)

Resolved to note the report.

42/06 Events Diary

Resolved to note the report.

43/06 Arrangements for the Next Meeting (8.30pm)

Resolved to note that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 31 January 2007 at Derby Moor Community Sports College. The meeting will be chaired by Councillor Troup

Minutes End