

LEAD MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Transport and Environment, Councillor Claire Dowling, on 18 January 2021 at County Hall, Lewes

++ The Lead Member was not present in person, but took the decisions remotely ++

Councillor Godfrey Daniel spoke on item 4 (see minute 27)

25 DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 17 NOVEMBER 2020

25.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 17 November 2020.

26 REPORTS

26.1 Reports referred to in the minutes below are contained in the minute book.

27 BUS STOP CLEARWAY PROPOSALS IN HASTINGS

27.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport, together with the comments of the objector which had been provided by email following publication of the agenda.

DECISIONS

27.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- (1) note the objections to the application of a 'Clearway' markings at the bus stop set out in this report, and,
- (2) approve the application of the 'Clearway' marking to improve accessibility to the bus stop and promote its use for all members of the community.

Reasons

27.3 Improvements to the public transport infrastructure in Hastings and Bexhill will help to improve passenger accessibility at bus stops and support the punctuality of bus services across both towns and help engage more people to use public transport. In turn, this will contribute towards the County Council's commitment of net zero carbon emissions by 2050 and the Government's decarbonising transport agenda.

27.4 This bus stop is identified by the Transport Hub Team and the bus operator as one where buses are unable to access the kerbside due to on-street parking. The application of the Clearway markings will improve accessibility for passengers at the bus stop and support the overall punctuality of buses accessing this stop.

28 DELEGATION OF POWERS TO DECLARE A LOCAL NATURE RESERVE - NINFIELD

28.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport, together with the comments in support of the recommendations from Councillor Bentley, the Local Member.

DECISIONS

28.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- (1) agree the delegation to Ninfield Parish Council of the County Council's power under section 21 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 to designate as a local nature reserve land at Church Wood;
- (2) to recommend to the Governance Committee to agree the delegation to Ninfield Parish Council of the Council's power under sections 20 and 21(4) of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 to make byelaws in relation to land at Church Wood designated as a local nature reserve; and
- (3) delegate authority to the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport to enter into agreements and to take any necessary actions in respect of the above recommendation.

Reasons

28.3 The Delegation will support Ninfield Parish Council and enable an increase in well managed ecological sites for the benefit of the local community, in line with the East Sussex Environment Strategy.