

LEAD MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Community Services, Councillor Chris Dowling, on 23 November 2016 at County Hall, Lewes

23 DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 26 OCTOBER 2016

23.1 RESOLVED to approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 26 October 2016.

24 REPORTS

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

25 EASTBOURNE TOWN CENTRE IMPROVEMENT SCHEME - TEMPORARY RELOCATION OF BUS STOPS IN CORNFIELD ROAD

25.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport. Officers confirmed that following publication of the report, discussions with the bus operators had led to an amended proposal, moving only one bus stop into Cornfield Road, and extending an existing bus stand outside the Arndale Centre. The revised proposal will result in no loss of disabled parking spaces. An updated plan was provided and is included in the minute book.

25.2 The following people spoke to raise concerns regarding the wider issue of buses in Cornfield and Gildredge Roads:

- Christina Ewbank on behalf of the Eastbourne Chamber of Commerce
- Paul Denness, local trader

DECISION

25.3 RESOLVED to (1) note the representations received from the formal notice procedure undertaken in September 2016 for the temporary relocation of the bus stops from the northern footway of Terminus Road to Cornfield Road in Eastbourne; and

(2) approve the placement of one temporary bus stop in Cornfield Road to facilitate the construction of the Arndale shopping centre extension and the Eastbourne Town Centre Improvement Scheme.

Reasons

25.4 The Eastbourne Town Centre Improvement Scheme on Terminus Road and Cornfield Road will complement the extension to the Arndale shopping centre. During the construction works on Terminus Road, it is necessary to temporarily relocate the existing bus stops on the northern footway which serve eastbound bus services, in order to minimise disruption for bus passengers and maintain the existing bus service timetable.

26 SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR MARKINGS AND MANDATORY CYCLE LANES WORKING PRACTICE

26.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport, together with an amended Appendix 3, as between publication of the agenda and the meeting the Department for Transport clarified the position in regards to enforcement of School Keep Clear markings and Mandatory With Flow Cycle Lanes. It was previously understood that under the new regulations these restrictions could be introduced without a Traffic Regulation Order and enforced under Civil Parking Enforcement. This is not the case and it has been confirmed that only the Police are able to enforce these restrictions if they are introduced without a Traffic Regulation Order.

DECISION

26.2 RESOLVED to (1) note the recommendations; and

(2) approve the new working practice for the introduction of enforceable School Keep Clear markings and With Flow Mandatory Cycle Lanes as permitted by relaxations in the 2016 Traffic Signing Regulations.

Reasons

26.3 The new relaxations allow local authorities to deliver local solutions within shorter timeframes and at less cost. Having a standard procedure in place ensures constancy in application and fairness in respect to adequately publicising any changes. It is up to the traffic authority to justify the decisions they make on the roads they are responsible for. An approved process will provide officers with support in the event of challenge.