EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for Environment Services, Community Services, Highways and Transport and Police and Community Safety:-

MONDAY, 26TH JANUARY, 2015

Following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

Councillor Peel Executive Cabinet Member for

Environmental Services

Councillor Chadwick Cabinet Member for Highways and

Transport

Councillor D. Burrows Cabinet Member for Police and

Community Services

Councillor Greenhalgh Major Opposition Spokesperson

Councillor Allen Major Opposition Spokesperson,

Environmental Services

Councillor Hayes Minor Opposition Spokesperson

Officers

Mr. M. Cox Director of Environmental Services

Ms. J. Pollard Head of Strategic Finance and

Accountancy

Mr. J. Kelly Head of Service, Highways and

Engineering

Mr. K. Roberts Head of Service, Community

Services

Mr. I. D. Mulholland Principal Democratic Services Officer

45. MONITORING OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISIONS

The Borough Solicitor submitted a report which set out details of the decisions made at previous meetings and the progress on each to date.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.

46. PETITION REQUESTING TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON TONGE ROAD, LITTLE LEVER

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report which advised the Executive Cabinet Member of the receipt of a petition requesting the introduction of traffic calming on Tong Road, Little Lever.

The report explained that a petition had been received from residents in the Tong Road area of Little Lever requesting the implementation of traffic calming measures along the road between Hill Top and the Bury boundary.

The report set out details of the officer comments.

In line with Council policy, the introduction of a 20mph speed limit could be considered although this would look on a wider basis than just Tong Road. With this in mind a scheme had been developed which would make all of Little Lever a 20mph speed limit. The only road excluded from this was the A6053 Church Street/Market Street/High Street/Stopes Road. The estimated cost of the scheme was £25,000 and therefore it could only be progressed should the necessary funding be identified.

Following a recommendation from the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport the Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED-

- (i) That the introduction of traffic calming on Tong Road is not agreed; and
- (ii) That the introduction of a 20mph speed limit within the Little Lever area is supported in principle but would only be progressed should the required funding be identified.

47. PETITION REQUESTING A 20MPH ZONE IN LITTLE LEVER

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report which advised the Executive Cabinet Member of the receipt of a petition requesting that the Council should design and implement a 20mph zone in the area of Little Lever off Hayward Avenue and Ladyshore Road and that it should include Churchill Drive and Settle Street.

The report explained that the Hayward Avenue area in Little Lever area was bounded by Stopes Road to the north, with the Bolton/Bury boundary running along the eastern edge of the housing estate and the canal located to the south of the estate. The area was residential in nature with many properties having off road parking. No traffic calming currently existed on any of the roads in the area.

The reported road injury collision history for the latest 60 month period shows that there had been one recorded incident during this period with this being categorised as a slight injury. The only speed information available was from a survey undertaken on Booth Street running along the western side of the estate which show mean speeds to be 24mph northbound and 22mph southbound.

The report set out details of the officer comments.

Whilst the introduction of the 20mph speed limit scheme was supported in principle, there was currently no mainstream budget available to enable the scheme to be progressed. The scheme was estimated to cost approximately £25,000 and

would only be implemented if an alternative funding source was identified.

Following a recommendation from the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport the Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED -

- (i) That the introduction of a 20mph speed limit within Little Lever is supported in principle; and
- (ii) That the scheme is not progressed unless an appropriate funding method is identified.

48. UNAUTHORISED MEMORIAL AND TRIBUTE REMOVAL POLICY

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report on matters concerning the proposed development of a policy to assist in the removal of unauthorised memorials and tributes in cemeteries.

It was explained that a policy would clarify the nature and locations of items that were unauthorised in the cemeteries and formalise the process of removal for bereaved family and friends.

The report also explained that other authorities had experienced similar issues and the Association for Public Service Excellence had asked for responses from councils on a number of questions in this regard and these were set out.

Appendix one to the report set out details of the proposed new policy to assist in the removal of unauthorised memorials and tributes in cemeteries.

The Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED the implementation of a policy for the removal of unauthorised memorials and tributes in cemeteries, as set out in the report.

49. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FINANCE REPORT, 2014/15, QUARTER THREE

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report which set out details of the financial quarter three position for the Environmental Services portfolio for the 2014/15 financial year.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the financial position.