

Extract of Executive Board Minutes Relevant to the Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 13th June 2019

APPENDIX 1

TRANSPORTATION PORTFOLIO

EXB5 TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources, which provided an update on improvements to the Borough's Transport Infrastructure and sought approval for the next set of key transport projects in Halton.

It was reported that Halton's adopted Local Transport Plan 3 (LTP3) set out the statutory context for investment in infrastructure to 2025/26. In association with the 22 'Primary Transport Strategies' contained in LTP3, there were a number of major schemes and improvement projects that covered road, rail, bus, cycling and walking. The report provided Members with details for each of these projects.

It was noted that, since the adoption of LTP3, there had been a number of changes to the way transport strategy and funding were administered. The Liverpool City Region Combined Authority (LCR CA) had been created and new priorities such as Transport for the North, Northern Powerhouse Rail and High Speed 2 had emerged. Department for Transport funding was now directed to the LCR CA and redistributed to local councils. It was reported that funding that was previously dedicated to Halton, now formed part of a City Region Investment Strategy.

The Board was advised that at the present time, there were four major projects on site in Halton Borough; these were noted as being:-

- Silver Jubilee Bridge Maintenance;
- Runcorn Station Quarter and De-linking;

- Widnes Loops to West Bank; and
- Sustainable transport corridor upgrades for walking and cycling.

RESOLVED: That

- 1) the list of schemes in Appendix 1, attached to the report be approved, and be developed into deliverable schemes (including feasibility works, business case preparation, funding bids and, where appropriate, entry into the Council's Capital Programme);
- 2) the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources, be authorised, in consultation with the Portfolio holder for Transportation, to take the necessary actions to ensure value for money through the appropriate procurement processes; and
- 3) the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources, be authorised, in consultation with the Portfolio holder for Transportation, to take any other actions necessary to enable timely delivery of this infrastructure.

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EXB16 FIXED PENALTY NOTICES

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources, on Fixed Penalty Notice provision.

The Board was advised that three new Regulations had been introduced which had extended the range of offences for which a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) could be issued.

The report set out details of each of the new

Regulations for Members' consideration, together with a table that set out the FPN amounts specified under legislation for a range of waste related offences. With regards to graffiti and fly-posting, Members considered that that level be set at the maximum allowable under legislation, of £150.

It was noted that reports on the new Regulations and revised FPN provisions had been considered by the Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board, which had recommended endorsement by Executive Board.

RESOLVED: That the Board

1) note the following Fixed Penalty Notice amounts are set by statute:

- (a) Abandoning a Vehicle - £200;
- (b) Failure to Produce Authority (Waste Transfer Notes) - £300;
- (c) Failure to Furnish Documentation (Waste Carrier's Licence) - £300;

2) approve the following Fixed Penalty Notice amounts that may be set by the Local Authority:

- (a) Littering - £100;
- (b) Littering from a Vehicle - £100
- (c) Fly-tipping - £400
- (d) Graffiti and Fly-Posting - £150;
- (e) Offences in Relation to Waste Receptacles - £100;
- (f) Householder breach of 'Duty of Care' Obligations - £200;
- (g) Contravention of a Public Spaces Protection Order - £100;
- (h) Failure to comply with a Community Protection Notice - £100;

3) approve the following Fixed Penalty Notice amounts discounted for early payment:

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- (a) Litter - £75;
 - (b) Littering from a Vehicle - £75
 - (c) Fly-tipping - £300
 - (d) Graffiti and Fly-Posting - £100;
 - (e) Abandoning Vehicles - £120
 - (f) Offences in Relation to Waste Receptacles - £75;
 - (g) Failure to Produce Authority (Waste Transfer Notes) - £250;
 - (h) Failure to Furnish Documentation (Waste Carrier's Licence) - £250;
 - (i) Contravention of a Public Spaces Protection Order - £75;
 - (j) Householder breach of 'Duty of Care' Obligations - £150;
 - (k) Failure to comply with a Community Protection Notice - £75;
- 4) approve that, where Legislation provides discretion for the Council to set the time period for early payment discount of Fixed Penalty Notices, such time period shall be set as being within ten days.
- 5) delegate authority to the Strategic Director – Enterprise, Community and Resources, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder (as determined by the nature of the offence for which a Penalty Notice relates) to make any future changes to Fixed Penalty Notice amounts and early payment discounts as may be considered appropriate.

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EXB17 PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS - DOG CONTROLS

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources, on the

introduction of a new Public Spaces Protection Order.

The Board was advised that a consultation exercise on proposals to introduce a new Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO), was completed in the Autumn of 2018. Overall, the results showed support for each of the new proposals set out in Table 1, attached to the report.

The consultation results were considered and endorsed by the Safer Policy and Performance Board, recommending approval to the Executive Board. It was noted that a new Dog Control PSPO would come into force from 1 November 2019. Members noted that the Council would have the ability to vary the dog exclusion and dogs on leads zones contained within the proposed new Order. This would allow proposed zones to be removed and new ones to be added.

RESOLVED: That

- 1) the making of the Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order, attached to the report as Appendix 1, be approved;
- 2) the Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order comes into effect as of 1 November 2019;
- 3) the Council's existing Dog Control Orders be revoked as of midnight 31 October 2019 to coincide with the commencement of the new Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order;
- 4) delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director – Enterprise, Community and Resources, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety, to make variations to the Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order, but only to the extent of varying where the Dogs on Leads and Dog Exclusion Provisions of the Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order shall apply, and only in such circumstances where appropriate consultation has been carried out which reveal

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support for any proposed variation;

- 5) the Fixed Penalty Notice amount for breaching a Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order be set at £100; and,
- 6) the Fixed Penalty Notice amount for breaching a Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order be reduced to £75 if paid within 10 days.

EXB18 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

The Board considered:

- 1) whether Members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Board during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- 2) whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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EXB19 DISPOSAL OF A PROPORTION OF LAND AT 3MG HBC FIELD

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Development, on the disposal of a proportion of land at 3MG HBC Field.

RESOLVED: That Executive Board approve the recommendations set out in the report.

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