

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Please note that updates from appropriate officers are set out below the relevant action and any outstanding actions are highlighted in red.

### **171. To consider whether any items in Part A of the agenda should be considered in private or those (if any) in Part B in public**

Cllr Meade requested clarity on whether the meetings of Gravesham Joint Transportation Board were private or public meetings and why the agenda/minutes were not published on the Councils website. Additionally, Cllr Meade suggested that future meeting dates of the Board should be published on the Councils and KCC's website

The Chair agreed to seek clarification outside of the meeting.

*Gravesham JTB has been reclassified as a public meeting and the agenda/minutes are available on the website to view.*

*The dates of the meetings are available on the Councils website and schedule of meetings.*

### **Minute 14 - Old Road East Speeding Vehicles - Request from Cllr Tony Rana**

The Gravesend & Dartford District Manager (KCC) advised that he was waiting for data for that area and the matter was now being dealt with by Ian Gregor; no update on the matter could be submitted with the Matters Arising document as Ian Gregor was on annual leave. The Gravesend & Dartford District Manager (KCC) explained that it was his intention to ensure that KCC officers regularly met with Members in between Gravesham JTB meetings to give updates on issues and progress updates on schemes.

Cllr Ridgers reminded the Board that when he was Chair, following his request and his grant money, Claire Venner installed a camera to monitor speeding along Old Road East towards Prince of Orange and Echo Square. That data must be stored somewhere at KCC, and Cllr Ridgers asked that it be found to assist with data for White Hill Road.

Cllr Meade recalled when former County Councillor John Cubitt used his Member grants to pay for 'school slow' signs on that stretch of road on Old Road East and requested an update to see if the signs were still operational.

*No update received*

### **Minute 14 - London Road Cycle Scheme – Request from Cllr Singh**

The Gravesend & Dartford District Manager (KCC) confirmed that the cycle scheme had been submitted to the ETCC and a group was being set up to present a report at a future Gravesham JTB meeting once agreement was received.

*No update received*

### **1745a. Gravesham Highway Forward Works Programme - 2022/23 onwards**

The Gravesend & Dartford District Manager (KCC) agreed to circulate the latest information regarding updated Members on the latest information for Appendix A – Road, Footway and Cycleway Renewal and Preservation Scheme and Appendix H – Combined Member Grant Programme Update in the minutes.

Following Members comments and questions, the Gravesend & Dartford District Manager (KCC) explained that:

- KCC had written to Texaco Garage on Perry Street regarding the significant puddle outside their garage; it was thought that the issue had been fixed but the water was now flowing down the road towards Perry Street. The Drainage Team were investigating the issue
- The contractors hired to install slow signs outside Timberwood Academy were catching up on a backlog of work and would install the slow signs soon
- The salt bins on Trinity Road would be refilled soon

*No update received*

#### **174b. Traffic Amendment Act 2004 – JTB Briefing**

Following a question regarding the letter that was requested to be sent to KCC regarding allowing taxis through the Clive Road bus gate in a trial scheme, the Parking & Environmental Enforcement Services Manager explained that the letter was awaiting Chair approval and it was KCC's decision if certain vehicles were exempt from the ANPR cameras. The Parking & Environmental Enforcement Services Manager agreed to ask the new Chair to sign off the letter so that it could be sent to KCC.

The Parking & Environmental Enforcement Services Manager had also requested that the Bus Gate Project Group attend a future JTB meeting to discuss the use of the bus gate and enforcement.

Cllr Meade requested that data be brought back to the Board on how enforcement powers had been used across the Borough and the effectiveness of those enforcement powers as that data would be helpful in future decision making with regard to types of enforcement

*The letter was sent, via email, to KCC's Major Capital Programme Project Manager on 29 June 2022, the email was acknowledged the same day. KCC will be presenting an update at the August Gravesham JTB.*

#### **173. Issues raised by Councillors with the approval of the Chair**

Cllr Broadley advised that former Councillor, John Loughlin had emailed Cllr Broadley regarding the chevron markings in Parrock Street near St Johns RC Church.

The Parking & Environmental Enforcement Services Manager advised that the chevron markings on that stretch of road meant 'no loading' and were investigated by himself and the Parking & Highways Officer; they both agreed that the markings were no longer needed and could be removed. That stretch of road had been earmarked as a potential site for a taxi electric vehicle charging point, but the Parking & Environmental Enforcement Services Manager needed to find out if the charging point was viable before any plans were made.

Cllr Ridgers highlighted the following issues:

- Athboy Road – Athboy Road was still closed to the public and only being used to store the vehicles of the construction crew that had made changes to Garrick Street bus station. Cllr Ridgers wanted the vehicles removed and the road reopened to the public
- Wrotham Road – Parking in Wrotham Road and Trafalgar Road was very bad; Cllr Ridgers noted that out of nineteen recent journeys he had made, there had been seventeen instances where cars were parked on the pavement over yellow lines on both roads. Cllr Ridgers wanted more patrols in the area to deter yellow line parking
- Puddle – There was a huge puddle outside of the Woodlands Hotel & Restaurant which went halfway across the road. Cllr Ridgers stated that the contractors that resurfaced the road last year should be brought back to take a look

*No update received*

Cllr Rana highlighted the following issues:

- School Road – The issue at School Road had been raised with Claire Venner and she carried out a site visit. Planning permission had been given to a premise on Jellicoe Avenue which allowed them to build a big extension that backed onto School Road. Parents from White Hill School had raised concerns that the extension combined with deliveries being made and the road being used by vehicles recklessly caused a hazard to children walking to school. Cllr Rana asked that a foot four fence be erected outside the school and along School Road to stop vehicles being able to drive over the pavement and provide protection for children walking to and from school

*No update received*

Cllr Meade highlighted the following issues:

- St Gregory's Crescent – Recent storms had caused damage to the pavement in St Gregory's Crescent; contractors had carried out repairs to the area, but it wasn't completed to a high enough standard which resulted in very uneven pavement causing a hazard to the many wheelchair users living in the road
- Hillingdon Road – There were numerous issues in Hillingdon Road; trees had fallen during the storms and damaged the pavements which weren't repaired to good enough standards resulting in uneven pavements which was a hazard to local residents. There had also been significant inconsistencies with planning decisions concerning the granting of applications for driveways; the Council always denied applications for driveways on Hillingdon Road but on appeal some decisions were overturned. Those houses with driveways had created a 'zig zag' effect which caused numerous parking and traffic issues on the road. Additionally, the builders working on the Coldharbour estate parked their vehicles on Hillingdon Road and Dennis Road and then walked to Coldharbour; their large vans blocked access all day exacerbating the traffic issues. Cllr Meade asked that Hillingdon Road be made a one-way road with access from Single well towards Wrotham Road

*No update received*