

## **CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION DECISION MEETING**

RECORD OF THE DECISIONS taken by the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation at his meeting held on Thursday 14 March 2013 at 10.00am in the Executive Meeting Room, floor 3 of The Guildhall, Portsmouth.

Councillor Jason Fazackarley welcomed opposition spokespersons Councillor Jim Patey (labour) and Councillor Luke Stubbs (conservative) and officers to the meeting.

### **5. Apologies (AI 1)**

There were no apologies to record.

### **6. Declaration of Members' Interests (AI 2)**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **7. Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (University of Portsmouth car parks) (Off-Street Parking Places) (No.2) Order 2013 (AI 3)**

(TAKE IN REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT)

Michael Robinson, the Parking Office team manager, introduced the report and explained that there had been one objection from a resident of Waltham Street who claims that he has authority from the University to park on their land. The University have denied such an agreement.

A deputation was heard from Russell Reeves, the University of Portsmouth Facilities Manager who spoke in support of the proposals. He reiterated the point that the University did not have an agreement with the resident in Waltham Street and that it appeared the arrangement had been made with the previous security company.

Councillor Fazackarley sought clarification on when the proposals would go live. The Operational Transport Manager responded by saying that the signage works had to be undertaken but the order would be live within 6weeks.

**DECISION: the cabinet member approved the proposals contained within the order as advertised.**

### **8. Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (Various Roads) (Disabled Persons' Parking Places) (Amendments) (No.4) Order 2013 (AI 4)**

(TAKE IN REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT)

Denise Bastow, the Parking Office Manager, introduced the report.

**DECISION:** the cabinet member agreed that the order be made as advertised with the exception of Romsey Avenue (outside No 10) which is no longer required.

**9. Tendered Bus Routes - New Contracts From 9 June 2013 (AI 5)**

(TAKE IN REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT)

Danny Johnson, Passenger Transport Officer, introduced the report and explained the outcomes of the re-tendering of the subsidised bus service contracts in Portsmouth which are to be awarded for three years from 9 June 2013. Coloured plans showing the routes of the services unaffordable and therefore not supported were circulated to the members.

Councillor Stubbs agreed with the proposals in the report. However Councillor Patey raised his concern that the changes proposed would be fixed for the next three years and asked if there could be some flexibility if monies become available to reintroduce services particularly in relation to the services in Paulsgrove.

Councillor Fazackarley responded by saying that if monies become available then services can be revisited if there has proven to be a problem but that is unlikely given the current financial position.

**DECISION:**

**(1) The Cabinet Member approved the award of contracts for supported bus services to operate for 3 years from 9 June 2013 at a net annual cost to the City Council of £504,207 as shown in Table 1 in Appendix A. Contracts to be funded from the existing Transport & Environment Service revenue cash limits.**

**(2) Not to support the following individual sections of services:**

Service	
1	City circular Sunday and Bank Holiday after 21:00
2C	Cosham to Cosham via Hillsley Road 5 evening journeys
12	Between Cosham and Port Solent via Queen Alexandra hospital and Tesco. (Clement Atlee Way)
12	Highbury to Cosham Monday to Saturday after 21:00 at night
22	Paulsgrove to Farlington Monday to Saturday not before 08:00.
43	Between South Parade Pier and DSTL via Cosham
649	Between King Richard School and Sevenoakes Road via Ludlow Road, Washbrook Road, Harleston Road, Mablethorpe Road and Peterborough Road

**(3) The Cabinet Member granted delegated authority to the Head of Transport and Environment to make any necessary adjustments in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation for any variations to the contract award within procurement rules and overall approved budget total.**

## **10. Local Sustainable Transport Fund (AI 6)**

(TAKE IN REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT)

A written deputation from the Portsmouth Cycle Forum, expressing their concern about the lack of partnership working in the LSTF delivery programme, was circulated to all present at the meeting.

Hayley Chivers, Strategic Transport Planner, introduced the report and responded to the comments of the written deputation by saying that unfortunately due to some of the tight timescales consultation with the Cycle Forum had not always been as full, prior to delivery, as preferred. As the programme moves forward we have more time to fully consult and will be agreeing with all key stakeholders an engagement plan outlining what projects they will be engaged with and at what stage (both in terms of project delivery and estimated calendar month).

Councillor Stubbs felt that the proposed Osborne Road scheme could cause some controversy particularly after the problems with Palmerston Road, and advised that all parties must be fully consulted, including holding public meetings. He also mentioned that as a governor of Milton Cross School he was aware that there is an issue with pupils cycling on the pavement of Milton Road. After raising this issue with the Sustainable Transport Officer, it had been suggested that the bus stops be moved which would then allow for a cycle path. He questioned whether this could be looked at within the delivery programme.

Councillor Patey commented on the issues surrounding pedestrians and cyclists sharing pavements. He also felt that Port Solent was not given enough promotion and that it was important to bring it to the fore.

Councillor Fazackarley agreed that more needed to be done with regards to Port Solent. He also agreed to look into the moving of bus stops along Milton Road as suggested by Councillor Stubbs however this may be funded through the LTP. Councillor Fazackarley also felt that this was an excellent package for Portsmouth, with some good schemes providing some major benefits.

### **DECISION:**

**(1) The Cabinet Member approved the revised LSTF delivery programme.**

**(2) The Cabinet Member also granted delegated authority to the Head of Transport and Environment and the Head of Finance to agree any minor amendments to the LSTF delivery programme plan that may be required.**

The following item was for information only

**11. Anchorage Road Weight Restriction (AI 7)**

(TAKE IN REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT)

Requested by the Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation.

Terri Crook, Traffic Engineer, introduced the report and explained that the Traffic Regulation Order would be advertised with effect from 25<sup>th</sup> March for a full time weight restriction on Anchorage Road between the roundabout at Robinson Way and Sywell Crescent and the roundabout at Williams Road and Norway Road.

Copnor ward Councillor Park spoke on this item and explained that he had received many complaints from residents over the years and therefore welcomed the order. He sought clarification on the form of publication of the order and asked if notices could also be put up in the roads abutting on to Anchorage Road.

Nikki Musson, Operational Transport Planner, explained that we have a statutory obligation to advertise the proposed order for 21 days which included a notice in The News and yellow notices at the site. Nikki agreed that notices would also be put up in the roads abutting Anchorage Road as requested by Councillor Park.

Councillors Luke Stubbs and Jim Patey supported Councillor Parks request.

Councillor Fazackarley confirmed that the results of the advertised order would be considered at his next decision meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> June.

The meeting concluded at 10.45am.

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Councillor Jason Fazackarley  
Cabinet member for Traffic and Transportation