

## **East Crawley County Local Committee**

17 June 2015 – At a meeting of the Committee held at 7.00pm, in the Longley Exhibition Room, Crawley Library, Crawley.

Present: Mr Burrett (Member for Pound Hill and Worth) - Chairman, Mr Crow (Member for Tilgate and Furnace Green), Mr Lamb (Member for Northgate and Three Bridges) and Mr Lanzer (Member for Maidenbower).

### **Election of Chairman**

1. Mr Burrett was elected Chairman of the East Crawley County Local Committee (CLC) for the 2015/2016 municipal year.

### **Welcome and Introductions**

2. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and each County Councillor introduced themselves.

### **Declaration of Interests**

3. None.

### **Minutes**

4. Resolved - that the minutes of the meeting held on 3 March 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

### **Progress Statement**

5. The Committee received and noted a progress report on matters relating to East Crawley (copy appended to the signed minutes). Mr Lamb confirmed that the green in Forge Road had been repaired.

6. Brian Lambarth (Highways Manager) updated the Committee on schemes on the Infrastructure Plan Priorities and Community Issues List. Issues to note included:

- Mr Lamb stated he would consider writing to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport to get schemes agreed in 2013 progressed sooner than the timescales suggested on the update.
- Mr Lanzer welcomed the progress on Billinton Drive and agreed that the school holidays would be the best time to undertake works in order to minimise disruption.

### **Prevention and Wellbeing Grants**

7. The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director Care, Wellbeing & Education and Director of Public Health and Social Care Commissioning (copy appended to the signed minutes).

8. The report set out the Prevention & Wellbeing commissioning objectives for 2015 along with the Prevention and Wellbeing Grant applications received for 2015-16. It also identified how the grants were spent in 2014-15. Grants are awarded annually on merit in relation to the application and awarding criteria. The criteria reflect countywide and service area objectives, as well as specific local needs.

9. The Committee considered the grant applications for 2015-16 as set out in Appendix B and approved those that it considered most appropriate to the local needs of the community.

10. Resolved that-

(a) The following applications were approved:

TB18	Age UK West Sussex	£1,073.40
JP033	Alzheimer's Society	£500.00
JB012	Arts on Prescription	£250.00
JB009	CAMEO Club	£300.00
JB002	Crawley Community Transport	£1,000.00
JB003	Crawley Kashmiri Womens' Welfare Association	£800.00
DR001	Cruse West Sussex Area	£600.00
JB014	EKTA	£500.00
JB020	Headway Hurstwood Park	£1,000.00
JP039	Horsham Crawley MS Society	£600.00
NL004	Lifecentre	£400.00
TL006	PBC Foundation	£40.60
TB01	SASBAH	£375.00
JP032	St Peter's House Project	£500.00
JB001	St Catherine's Hospice	£750.00
JB013	The Posh Club	£750.00
JB015	Worth Ladies	£350.00

(b) The following applications were declined:

TB14 Cancervive - Although Members considered this a worthy organisation, they felt that what was applied for was not appropriate for the Prevention and Wellbeing Fund. It was suggested it would be better suited to the Community Initiative Fund.

TB30 Ditchling Museum of Arts & Craft - Members felt this was a little remote from the East Crawley CLC area as well as not being appropriate for the Prevention and Wellbeing Fund. It was suggested it would be better suited to the Community Initiative Fund.

TB10 Meridian Archery Club - Members felt that this was not appropriate for the Prevention and Wellbeing Fund. It was suggested it would be better suited to the Community Initiative Fund.

## **Pound Hill North Traffic Regulation Order**

11. The Committee considered a report by the Director of Highways and Transport & Service Manager for Transport and Countryside (copy appended to the signed minutes).

12. Jeanette Napper, Senior Technician, Parking Strategy Team, introduced the report. She explained that a public consultation took place over three weeks in April and May 2015 with residents and stakeholders on proposals to change the parking/waiting restrictions in a number of roads in Pound Hill North. Overall, 13 representations were received. 4 were in support of the proposals, 8 objected and 1 was neutral.

13. The Committee was asked to consider 3 options which included implementing the proposed changes as advertised, implementing the proposals with some modifications or only implementing the proposals that had received no objections.

14. Mr Burrett as the local County Councillor explained that this had been a long running issue and he had spoken to many residents including those who have objected to the proposals. Mr Burrett proposed that Members should agree to implement the changes as advertised. He explained his reasoning for this proposal as follows:

- St Mary's Drive received only 1 objection to the proposal to increase 1 hour bays to 2 hours. This was in response to requests from residents. The objector is now aware of this. The objector did also ask if Saturdays and Sundays could be looked at. Mr Burrett explained this could be considered at a future date.
- The proposals for Parkway aim to address residents' concerns about exiting driveways and dangers on bends. This will result in the loss of a few parking spaces but for safety reasons Mr Burrett supported this. He also stated that the eastern side of Parkway was unlikely to attract displacement parking due to the road configuration and most residents on the eastern side of that section of the road have garages or off-road parking spaces.
- Milton Road has been the most difficult area to resolve. It was originally advertised last Autumn as single yellow lines along the whole of the northern side of the road, but this received a number of objections. This revised proposal includes single yellow lines on the southern side and on the bend on the northern side. The main objectors to the new proposal stated they thought a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) would be a better option. However Mr Burrett explained that this had previously been consulted on and most residents in the study area did not want it. Mr Burrett therefore suggested that the single yellow lines were the best option on balance.

15. Resolved - that having considered the objections, the Committee agreed to authorise the Director of Law, Assurance and Strategy to bring the Traffic Regulation Order into operation as advertised.

16. A resident stated that he thought proposals for Tinsley Lane and Gatwick Road could have been included in the TRO. Mr Lamb explained that Gatwick Road is progressing separately and Tinsley Lane is being looked at in more detail.

### **Community Initiative Funding**

17. The Committee considered a report by the Director of Law, Assurance and Strategy (copy appended to the signed minutes) which detailed applications for Community Initiative Funding. The Committee debated the respective merits of the projects for which funding was sought.

18. Resolved - that the Committee allocate funding as follows:

**697/EC** – Beta Futures, £1,645.00, towards the costs of designing, producing and distributing a leaflet about the organisation.

**699/EC** – Air Cadets' Organisation, £1,000.00, towards the costs of three highland uniforms.

**704/EC** – St John's Ambulance, £1,205.00, towards the costs of purchasing a AED and providing first aid training in schools.

**718/EC** – Circuswurx, £267.00, to hire a marquee.

### **'Talk with Us' – Open Forum**

19. The following answers were given in response to questions about matters affecting Crawley residents.

- A resident of Crossways, Three Bridges, reported that parking in her road is extremely hazardous and many residents are unable to park in the road. She asked the County Council why Crossways was not included in the Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ). Mr Lamb responded as the local County Councillor by stating that he was aware of the problems in Crossways but unfortunately it could not yet be included in the review of the CPZ as other areas, specifically around the train station, had taken priority. He explained that the County Council has limited resources and therefore has to prioritise. Jeanette Napper did state that part of the current review of the CPZ did include junction protection for Crossways.
- Speeding on Gales Drive was also raised as a matter of concern. Mr Lamb confirmed that this is on the list to be looked at. Mr Lanzer advised residents to use "operationcrackdown.org" to report incidents of dangerous driving. It was also advised that residents speak to their Police Community Support Officers (PCSO) about illegal parking.

- A resident asked if Community Speedwatch was still in operation. The Chairman confirmed it was.
- A resident raised concern about a proposed Sunday farmers' market at Three Bridges Station. His concern was that it would remove parking for the station. It was suggested that if residents wish to object they could respond to the planning application via Development Control at Crawley Borough Council.

### **Date of Next Meeting**

20. The Chairman informed all that the next meeting would be held on 23 September 2015 at Crawley Library.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

Chairman