



# Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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Chairman: Cllr. Pat Holden  
Vice Chairman: Cllr. Carole Mulronee  
Town Clerk: Paul Beckerson



## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE HELD AT 8.00PM ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2010 AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 67 ELM ROAD, LEIGH-ON-SEA

Present: Cllrs Caroline Parker (Chairman), Bill Abbot, Margaret Cotgrove, Hilary Davison, Donald Fraser, Carole Mulronee, Mrs Jean Rowsell and John Wren

In Attendance: Paul Beckerson, Town Clerk

### ***The meeting opened at 8.00pm***

#### 10. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed members and the new Town Clerk to the meeting.

#### 11. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Pat Holden

#### 12. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2010

There were two corrections to the minutes. In item 6 the membership of the Safer Journeys to Schools had been repeated. In minute 8 c) iv) the bollard on the north west corner of Crescent Road had been omitted.

With these corrections the minutes of the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2010 were approved and signed.

#### 13. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

None

#### 14. CHANGES IN COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The committee noted the resignation of Cllr Patsy Ryan from the committee. It was agreed a memo would be circulated to all Councillors pointing out that there was a vacancy to be filled.

#### 15. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

##### a) Railway Station Parking and Signage – Report 1753/HD

Members discussed the report prepared by Cllr Hilary Davidson that clearly showed underuse (50%) of the car park operated by NCP on behalf of Railtrack. Members felt that it would be better if the charges were less to encourage greater use and it could even result greater income.

Members recognised the problems that existed in the Old Town area and regretted that there was a lack of direction signage to inform visitors of pedestrian access to the Old Town area from the Railway Station.

The committee also felt that there was a problem with cars entering the Old Town area and then finding nowhere to park, the Foundry Car Park because of its size being full for most of the time.

- i. It was **RESOLVED: to write to c2c (Station Manager at Southend, Central House, Clifftown Road) to arrange a meeting to discuss these issues.**
  - ii. It was **RESOLVED: to write to SBC Highways re; the provision of a mirror at the top of the steps on the footbridge to Cockle Row.**
  - iii. It was **RESOLVED: to request SBC to provide a rubbish bin at the base of the above steps.**
  - iv. It was **RESOLVED: to request a meeting with SBC to discuss the signage and parking issues within the Old Town and to write to Cllr Mark Flewitt (Cabinet Member for Transport and Planning) with a copy to Andrew Meddle Head of Planning to arrange this.**
- b) Request from a Resident to introduce Parking Bays in the Broadway  
Members discussed the merits and otherwise of marking out parking bays in the Broadway. Most members felt that because of the varying lengths of vehicles this might result in less parking being available. It was further suggested that in a conservation area the introduction of further road markings would not be desirable. The committee further noted that SBC were investigating a Road Traffic Order to deal with parking issues surrounding the Tesco Express store.
- i. The committee **RESOLVED: not to support this suggestion.**
- c) Bollards
- i. It was **RESOLVED: to confirm that 7 bollards be erected on the west side of Station Road opposite the nursery school.**
- d) Public Transport Representatives Meeting – Report 1754/DF  
Cllr Donald Fraser highlighted certain aspects of his report and in particular how the Telematics were corrected within a two week period.

#### 16. OUTSTANDING ISSUES

- a) Controlled Parking in central Leigh  
It was **RESOLVED: to refer this item to a meeting of the Parking Working Party.**
- b) It was **RESOLVED: to reinstate Church Hill as an outstanding issue.**
- c) It was **RESOLVED: to remove the Cycle Path (Chalkwell to Old Town) from outstanding issues.**

***The meeting closed at 9.00pm***



**PUBLIC TRANSPORT REPRESENTATIVES MEETING**

At the half-yearly meeting in Rochford on Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> June the under mentioned items are of interest to Leigh-on-Sea.

**1. Telematics on London Road, Leigh**

Since Easter 2010 I have reported several faults on the screens to staff at Southend Borough Council. The system is jointly funded by the two authorities. For example since the 2<sup>nd</sup> May there has been no information concerning Arriva bus journeys. The excuse is that Arriva made some changes to a few journeys, with SBC and ECC disputing responsibility. The problem will now be fully investigated.

**2. Octopus Tickets**

These allow unlimited travel on any buses operated by the five companies in SE Essex for a day, a week, 4 weeks or 1 year. A request was made for tickets to be available at a reduced price for evening only as in Chelmsford. The request was refused as the companies stated the issue of such tickets would be too complicated.

**3. Bus Timetables**

ECC will be introducing a revised timetable book for all services in the SBC and ECC areas at the end of June. It will include revised timetables for:

- Service 1 – Shoeburyness – Rayleigh
- Service 6A - Leigh Station to North Leigh
- Service 21 - Southend to Canvey