

MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEMBER SIGNING HELD ON TUESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 2023, 14:05 – 14:30

PRESENT:

Councillors: Seema Chandwani

ALSO ATTENDING: Danny Gayle, David Graaff, Bhavya Nair, Boshra Begum

1. FILMING AT MEETINGS

The Chair referred to the notice of filming at meetings and this information was noted by attendees.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

3. URGENT BUSINESS

There were no declarations of interest.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS/QUESTIONS

There were none.

6. HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND

The Cabinet member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services considered a report that sought to identify that the objective of The Household Support Fund was to provide support to households in the most need; particularly those who may not be eligible for the other support government had recently made available but who were nevertheless in need and who required crisis support. The Household Support Fund was intended to cover a wide range of low-income households in need which included families with children of all ages, pensioners, unpaid carers, care leavers and disabled people, with an emphasis on supporting households with energy, food, and water bills.

The Cabinet Member requested for a delegated authority report to be produced. The officer agreed, confirmed the report would be produced and sent to the Cabinet Member.

Further to considering the report, the Cabinet Member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services,

RESOLVED

1. To grant approval of the Household Support Fund allocation from the government of £4,813,343.44 for the period 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024.
2. To grant approval of the final allocation of this funding as set out in Appendix 1
3. To delegate authority to the Assistant Director Resident Experience in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services to amend this policy to maximise and control the distribution of the fund and to give effect to changes in legislation, statutory or non-statutory guidance, or directives or instructions of a similar character issued by Government.
4. To delegate authority to the Assistant Director Resident Experience in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services to provide Free Schools Meal (FSM) Vouchers to households with children who are eligible for free school meals during the Easter 2024 holidays from a future allocation of Household support fund, provided such an allocation is made and such an allocation is permissible under any such scheme.
5. To agree that this policy is subject to the availability of government funding and will terminate on 31st March 2024 unless terminated earlier.

Reasons for decision

The Government through the Department of Works and Pensions (DWP) had provided funding to local authorities to administer the Household Support Fund. It was acknowledged that local authorities have the local ties and knowledge and were best placed to allocate funding according to local need.

The Guidance for The Fund provides for local authorities to determine eligibility in their area and target support to those most in need but within the scope of conditions set by DWP. The proposed decision on the Household Support Fund sets out how the Council will target and deliver support to residents. This spend was targeted to those that were most in need and was in accordance with the Scheme.

The Household Support Fund payments were expected to support households over the grant period and for all funding to be spent between 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024.

Alternative options considered.

The alternative option considered was not to develop a Haringey Support Fund Policy. This was discounted as it would not have made use of the funds available to support Haringey residents.

A further option was to bring forward plans to allocate the total amount of funding at this stage, but as the final guidance was only received in late February and more work needs to be carried out in order to ensure that the Fund was spent with maximum beneficial impact for local residents, this option was discounted.

7. FERME PARK ROAD

The Cabinet member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services considered a report that sought approval to proceed to statutory consultation, after considering objections and officer response to those objections.

The Cabinet Member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services sought clarification regarding objections. It was noted that most of the objections were made around noise vibrations and loss of parking spaces around the area.

Further to considering the report, the Cabinet Member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services,

RESOLVED

To grant approval to proceed to statutory consultation on proposed speed reducing features along Ferme Park Road as detailed in Appendix A, having taken the feedback from the public consultation into consideration.

Reasons for decision

The Council was required to consider the feedback received during the public consultation period, in particular any objections to the proposals, prior to proceeding to statutory consultation. The proposal consulted upon was aimed at improving road safety for all road users.

Proposed Option

- Provision of new speed and junction tables along Ferme Park Road.
- Replacement of the existing refuge island outside 130/132 with a raised table and a larger pedestrian island.
- Replacement of the existing refuge island with a raised zebra crossing outside 69/71.
- Replacement of the existing zebra crossing on Ferme Park Road by Mount View Road with a raised zebra crossing and larger island, 10m to the west of its current location.
- Replacement of the existing refuge island outside 40/42 with a raised table and a larger pedestrian island.
- Replacement of the existing zebra crossing outside the Londis supermarket with a raised zebra crossing.
- Relocation of some pavement parking bays (known as “2-wheels up”) back on to the road 6.

Alternative options considered

None.

8. SHEPHERDS HILL - WOLSELEY ROAD

The Cabinet member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services considered a report that sought approval to proceed to implementation of the proposed speed reducing measures on Shepherds Hill and Wolseley as set out on the two plans in Appendices B and C, except that the refuge island shown outside numbers 57 – 59 Shepherds Hill in the original scheme proposals shall not be installed, after considering objections and officer response to those objections.

The Cabinet Member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services sought clarification regarding objections made. It was noted that most of the objections were made around noise nuisance and vibrations.

Further to considering the report, the Cabinet Member for Tackling Inequality and Resident Services,

RESOLVED

To grant approval of the implementation of the proposed speed reducing measures on Shepherds Hill and Wolseley Road, as set out on the two plans in Appendices B and C, except that the refuge island shown outside numbers 57 – 59 Shepherds Hill in the original scheme proposals shall not be installed.

Reasons for decision

The Council was required to consider the feedback received during the statutory notification period, in particular any objections to the proposals, prior to proceeding to implementation. The proposals consulted upon were aimed at improving road safety for all road users.

Proposed Option

- a) The Council of the London Borough of Haringey proposed to implement speed humps under section 90a and 90c of the Highways Act 1980 and the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1999 outside the following properties (unless otherwise stated):

Road	Locations
Wolseley Road N6	No.16, in between flats 33 to 44 and 30 to 32, No.56, No.29, No.28, No.14, No.6
Shepherds Hill N6	Outside Goldsmiths Court, No.5, No.11, No.19, No.14, No.20, No.28, No.34, No.59, No.48, No.56, No.62, No.68, No.80, No.74

- b) Maximum height of the speed humps will be 100mm.

Alternative options considered

None.

CABINET MEMBER: Councillor Seema Chandwani

Signed by Cabinet Member:

Date