Nuneaton & Bedworth Area Committee

25 July 2007

Agenda

The Nuneaton & Bedworth Area Committee will meet in the CONFERENCE ROOM, ELIOT PARK INNOVATION CENTRE, 4 BARLING WAY, NUNEATON on WEDNESDAY, 25 July 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

The agenda will be: -

- 1. (1) Apologies
 - (2) Members' Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their interests at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the member must withdraw from the room.

Membership of a district or borough council is classed as a personal interest under the Code of Conduct. A Member does not need to declare this interest unless the Member chooses to speak on a matter relating to their membership. If the Member does not wish to speak on the matter, the Member may still vote on the matter without making a declaration.

- (3) Minutes of the Meeting of 23 May 2007 and Matters Arising
- (4) Chair's correspondence and announcements
- (5) Public Question Time

PART A Non-Executive Functions

None

PART B Executive Functions

2. Footbridge off Celandine Way, Bedworth

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy

The ownership and maintenance liability of the structure are currently in dispute. However, surveys have been undertaken to determine what remedial works are required.

The surveys have determined that although less than pleasing to the eye, the structure is more than adequate for pedestrian use. It is therefore recommended that remedial works are confined to replacing the surface of the bridge. The new surface will connect to the existing metalled paths each side of the bridge.

Recommendation

The Area Committee is recommended to agree that only minor repairs should be carried out to the bridge until the liability for maintenance has been determined.

For further information please contact Geoff Treadwell, Enforcement and Maintenance Team Leader, Countryside Recreation, Environment and Economy Directorate Tel. 01926 413430 e-mail geofftreadwell@warwickshire.gov.uk.

3. Proposed One Way Order - Riversley Road, Nuneaton

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy

Following formal advertisement of a proposed one way order for Riversley Road, Nuneaton, one objection was received. This report considers the objection and recommends that the one way order be implemented as advertised.

Recommendation

That the proposal to make Riversley Road one way from its junction with Edward Street to Coton Road is implemented as advertised.

For further information please contact Chris Latham, Traffic Engineer, Environment and Economy Directorate Tel. 01926 412071 e-mail chrislatham@warwickshire.gov.uk.

4. Street Lighting Hours of Operation - Consultation

Report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy

At present virtually all County Council street lights in Warwickshire operate throughout the night. Savings might be made if all (or selected) lights were switched off after midnight. Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee requested a consultation before further consideration is given to this issue. This report requests the views of Members of the Area Committee to switching off or dimming street lights.

Recommendation

The views of the Members of the Area Committee are requested. In particular would Members support: lights being switched off in their area in the early hours of the morning or lights being dimmed in their area in the early hours of the morning (when this becomes a viable option); a trial of street light dimming in their area.

For further information please contact Peter Samwell, County Highways Project Manager, Environment and Economy Directorate Tel. 01926 418637 e-mail peter samwell@warwickshire.gov.uk. c

5. Proposed Off Street Parking Places Order - Nuneaton & Bedworth

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council is proposing to incorporate some additional car parks and delete some others by making a new Off Street Parking Order 2007 and revoking the 2005 Order. Under s.39 (3) of the Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984, the Borough Council requires consent from the County Council for the proposed changes.

Recommendations

That the Area Committee endorses Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council's proposal to make the Borough of Nuneaton and Bedworth (Off Street Parking Places) Order 2007 and revoke the 2005 Order.

For further information please contact Margaret Smith, Senior Transport Planner, Environment and Economy Directorate Tel. 01926 735682 e-mail margaretsmith@warwickshire.gov.uk.

6. Responsive Services and Empowered Communities – The Development of a Locality Approach

Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development

This report follows on from the decision of the Cabinet on 10th May 2007 authorising consultation with elected members through the Area Committees on the principles and issues relating to the development of a Locality approach by the Council.

Recommendation

- 1. That members consider the contents of this Report and express their views on the principles set out, including the boundary and governance options, and how they relate to this area
- That views expressed by the Area Committee are relayed to the Cabinet when it next considers the proposals at its meeting on 18th October 2007.

For further information please contact Nick Gower-Johnson, County Partnerships Manager, Performance and Development, Tel. 01926 412053 email nickgower-johnson@warwickshire.gov.uk and Heather Shearer, Area Manager, Nuneaton & Bedworth. Tel: 024 7637 5700 or e-mail heathershearer@warwickshire.gov.uk

7. Future Agenda Items

Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development.

This report informs the Area Committee about proposed agenda items for future meetings.

Recommendation

That the Area Committee agrees the schedule of reports at future meeting as indicated.

For further information please contact Heather Shearer, Area Manager, Nuneaton & Bedworth. Tel: 024 7637 5700 or e-mail heathershearer@warwickshire.gov.uk

8. Any Other Business

Which the Chair considers urgent.

JIM GRAHAM
Chief Executive

Committee Membership

Councillors: Burton, Chattaway, Farnell, Haynes, Heatley, Henry, Hicks, Jones, Longden, McCarney, Ross, Singh, Tandy, Tooth.

Public Question Time

Up to thirty minutes is allowed for the public to ask questions on any matter relevant to the business of the Committee. Members of the public may speak for up to three minutes. If you wish to submit a question please send it to Heather Shearer, Area Manager, at the address below, at least five working days before the meeting with your contact details. This will enable the Area Manager to advise you of the procedure at the meeting.

Questions must be submitted in writing to Heather Shearer, Area Manager, Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Office, Albion Court, 76 Attleborough Road, Nuneaton CV11 4JJ five working days before the meeting.

General Enquiries: Please contact Heather Shearer, Chief Executive's Department, on 024 7637 5700 or e-mail: heathershearer@warwickshire.gov.uk or Jean Hardwick, Committee Administrator, Chief Executive's Department, on 01926 412476 or e mail: jeanhardwick@warwickshire.gov.uk.

Enquiries about specific reports: Please contact the officers named in the reports.

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