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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

CABINET COMMITTEE - LOCAL ISSUES

Wednesday 22nd February 2017

Present:

Councillor Peter McBride
Councillor Naheed Mather
Councillor Musarrat Khan

Apologies:

In attendance:

Observers: Councillor Martyn Bolt

9 Membership of the Committee

All members were present.

10 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2016 were approved as a correct record.

11 Interests

No interests were declared at the meeting.

12 Admission of the Public

All items were considered in public session.

13 Deputations/Petitions

No deputations or petitions were received.

14 Public Question Time

No questions were asked.

15 Member Question Time

No questions were asked.

16 Objection to Kirklees (TR) (No 16) Order 2016, proposed waiting restrictions - Hopton New Road and Back Station Road, Mirfield

The committee gave consideration to two objections to the proposed waiting restrictions on Hopton New Road and Back Station Road, Mirfield.

The report explained that complaints had been received from local residents, local businesses and Councillors regarding parking that occurred on both sides of the local roads in the area which is associated with commuters using Mirfield Train Station. The parking reduced the road width available to one lane and there was regular conflict between opposing traffic. It went on to explain that Network Rail were aware of the issues and were looking at the potential of providing a larger car park to facilitate commuter demand, this would be a medium/long term proposal. A short term solution was needed to reduce the on-street parking problems due to concerns around congestion and safety.

Objections to the scheme were received from two local residents and two members of the public attended the meeting. The objections raised gave concern that any parking restrictions would create further parking difficulties in Mirfield, the proposals would not improve road safety and drivers would not be able to see the passing points on Hopton New Road.

Local Ward Councillors and the Police were consulted on the scheme and supported the measures. The Ward Councillors requested that Kirklees Council and Cabinet would revisit the issue to find a permanent parking solution.

Councillor Martyn Bolt attended the meeting and informed the committee that local Councillors and partnership organisations were working together to find a long term solution to the parking problems.

RESOLVED –

- 1) That the objections to the proposed TRO be over-ruled and the scheme be implemented as advertised.
- 2) That the Council and Cabinet would continue to work with partners towards a permanent solution for parking in the area.