# MINUTES OF THE ACTIVE TRAVEL COMMITTEE

28<sup>th</sup> February 2024, 7.30pm The Guildhall

Cllr Saunders (Chair)	Present	Cllr Jones	Apologies
Cllr Golding	Apologies	Cllr Rowlands	Apologies
Cllr BJ Martin	Present	Cllr Gibson	Present
Cllr C Martin	Apologies	Cllr Eyre	Substitute
Cllr T Martin	Substitute	Cllr Cook	Substitute
Cllr Crayford	Substitute	C Oswald Jones	Present
T Stonor	Present		

## In Attendance:

Louise Bareham Town Clerk Adrian Oliver (SBC) Adrian Berendt Antony Hook (KCC)

### **Public Comments:**

None.

### 046. Apologies for Absence

Cllr C Martin substituted by Cllr Eyre Cllr Rowlands substituted by Cllr T Martin Cllr Jones substituted by Cllr Cook Cllr Golding substituted by Cllr Crayford

#### 047. Declarations of Interest None

### 048. Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

It was proposed by Cllr BJ Martin, seconded by Cllr Saunders, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the Minutes of the Active Travel Committee dated 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

It was noted that we have still not heard from KCC about LCWIP response.

### 049. Cross Town East to West Walking Route

Adrian Berendt provided an update (Cross Town Walking Route Update 28-Feb-24 attached) which was discussed.

Next stage of the process will be a report going to JTB next week. There will be consultations on the traffic orders and if there is a significant amount of objections it will go back to JTB.

KCC have set up a working group contributing to the final design including the Committee Chair and Vice Chair and AB representing FTC and AO representing SBC.

It was agreed to note AB's report but that the Chair should write to KCC asking for assurances about the robustness of the design at Solomons Lane and the need to minimise any reduction in parking spaces.

If Members of the Committee have detailed concerns about individual interventions they should write to the Chair, so that concerns can be fed back to KCC.

### 050. Cross Town Walking Route 2 North to South

AO provided an update on the North South Walking Route design project and the key opportunity areas which the consultants would now look to do detailed work on.

After a discussion in which councillors expressed their views on the opportunity areas it was **RESOLVED** that i) detailed work on the London Road, Briton Road/Forbes Road, North Lane and Davington Hill opportunity areas should be moved forward ii) that the detailed work on Davington Hill should look at all options in this area, iii) it was also agreed to note that other junctions on the North Sout route including Brogdale Road and the Mall/Forbes Road remained important.

### 051. LCWIP Next Stage

It was proposed by Cllr Saunders, seconded by Cllr BJ Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to i) revise the LCWIP and HIP and to ensure they are effectively aligned ii) to reference the problem of on street parking in the town centre into the HIP iii) to include drainage improvements around crossing and walkways in the revisions.

#### 052. Active Travel Event

It was agreed to come back to this topic at the next meeting and review the budget. Meanwhile any input to be forwarded to the Town Clerk so she can come back with an in depth report for the next meeting.

### 053. Additional Bike Storage

It was agreed that the Town Clerk should carry out engagement regarding additional locations for racks and come back with more information for the next meeting. Cllr Saunders suggested a need for more cycle racks in Jubilee Way and Cllr B Martin suggested cycle storage at Perry Court.

#### 054. Annual Actions

It was proposed by Cllr Saunders, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to agree to the Annual Action Plan 2024**-2025 (appendix A).

#### 055. Speed Watch

It was proposed by Cllr Saunders, seconded by Cllr Gibson and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to publish an article in the next newsletter promoting Speedwatch alongside some social media in order to encourage residents to get involved.

056. Matters for Report None.

The meeting closed at 21.30