

SEFTON EAST PARISHES AREA COMMITTEE

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Thursday 21st January, 2010 6.30 pm Maghull Town Hall, Hall Lane, Maghull

AREA COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Molyneux Ward

Councillor Howe (Chair), Liberal Democrat Colbert, Liberal Democrat Robertson, Liberal Democrat Park Ward Councillor Blackburn (Vice-Chair), Liberal Democrat Byrne, Liberal Democrat Fenton, Liberal Democrat

Supporting Carers

Sudell Ward

Councillor Connell, Liberal Democrat C Mainey, Liberal Democrat S Mainey, Liberal Democrat

Parish Council Representatives

Parish Councillor Baldwin Parish Councillor Mr R Baker Parish Councillor Mrs A McKeating Parish Councillor D Russell Town Councillor C R Walker Aintree Village Parish Council Melling Parish Council Sefton Parish Council Lydiate Parish Council Maghull Town Council

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	AGENDA	
1.	Apologies for Absence	
2.	Declarations of Interest	
	Members and Officers are requested to give notice of any personal or prejudicial interest and the nature of that interest, relating to any item on the agenda in accordance with the relevant Code of Conduct.	
3.	Minutes	(Pages 5 - 14)
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4.	Police Issues	
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	Paul Acres, Chairman of NHS Sefton	
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	Street Services Officer	
8.	Traffic Regulations Order - Central Square, Maghull.	(Pages 15 - 18)
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11.	Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Section 53, Application for the Addition of Two Footpaths to Definitive Map and Statement in Respect of School Lane, Aintree	(Pages 35 - 40)

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12.	Thornton to Switch Island Link – Public Consultation and Exhibition	(Pages 41 - 46)
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13.	Contaminated Land Inspection Of Former Sefton Meadows Landfills	(Pages 47 - 56)
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THE "CALL IN" PERIOD FOR THIS SET OF MINUTES ENDS AT 12 NOON ON THURSDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2009.

SEFTON EAST PARISHES AREA COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD AT THE MELLING PRIMARY SCHOOL, WHEELER DRIVE, MELLING ON THURSDAY 12TH NOVEMBER, 2009

PRESENT:	Councillor Blackburn (in the Chair)
	Councillors Byrne, Colbert, Fenton, C Mainey and
	Robertson
ALSO PRESENT:	Local Advisory Group Members:
	Parish Councillors Baldwin and Baker
	Town Councillor Walker
	6 Members of the Public
	1 Member of Merseyside Police

43. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Connell, Howe and S Mainey and Parish Councillor McKeating

44. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

45. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 SEPTEMBER 2009

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2009, be confirmed as a correct record.

46. MELLING PARISH REPRESENTATION TO THE AREA COMMITTEE

The Committee welcomed Parish Councillor Ron Baker to the meeting, representing Melling Parish Council and as a new nomination in place of Alan Brown who had now resigned in his capacity as a representative to the Sefton East Parishes Area Committee.

RESOLVED

That Mr Brown be written to, in order to thank him for his services to the Area Committee.

47. POLICE ISSUES

Further to Minute No 34 of the meeting held on 10 September 2009, Sergeant Nelson outlined the crime statistics for the Sefton East Parishes area from 10 September 2009 to 11 November 2009; indicating that figures could not be broken down by ward as requested at the previous

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meeting, but were broken down into each area which made up Sefton East, namely Maghull, Melling, Aintree and Lydiate.

Burglary, it was reported, that there had been a 50% increase, a trend shared with neighbouring authorities in Ormskirk and Kirkby; that 39 incidents had been reported – 19 in Maghull; 10 in Melling; 7 in Aintree; and 3 in Lydiate; that 14 out of the 39 incidents reported were unsecured premises and 4 out of the 39 were attempted but unsuccessful forced entry; that these incidents could be attributed to cross border individuals; that Police were tackling the issue by increasing foot patrols, using unmarked cars to monitor traffic around the area; and that mounted police officers would continued to be deployed until the end of the issue of unsecured premises; indicating that Police had approached 120 homes and of those 53 had left doors unlocked; that anyone who had left their premises unsecured had been contacted and advised on how to improve this; and that Police had made good progress in apprehending some of the offenders.

Thefts from a motor vehicle remained unchanged from last month; in total, 39 incidents had been reported – 20 in Maghull; 10 in Melling; 5 in Aintree and 4 in Lydiate; that 36 of the 39 incidents where due to opportunist offenders stealing valuable items which were on display; 7 of the 39 incidents were due to unsecured vehicles; Police had sent letters to drivers to advise them of how to better secure their vehicle; and that Police had made one significant arrest in relation to this issue.

7 robberies had been reported; 3 in Maghull; 1 in Melling; 1 in Aintree and 2 in Lydiate. It was believed that these were linked and Police had made arrests and where awaiting forensic evidence.

12 incidents of anti social behaviour had been reported 5 in Magull, 2 in Melling, 2 in Aintree and 3 in Lydiate. Police had taken a number of measures to ensure the mitigation of anti social behaviour, particularly on mischief night, Halloween and Guy Fawkes night.

Councillors asked a variety of questions relating to people trying to get into cars on Oakhill Drive; dog fouling and PSCO powers in relation to this; police resources in the Sefton East Parishes area; anti social behaviour reports in the press; police operating operation 'Handle' at 11:50pm; parked cars on Rosslyn Avenue and Liverpool South Road. Officers were also thanked for dealing efficiently with a complaint regarding electricity misuse. Sergeant Nelson answered questions and where appropriate agreed to take details of incidents from Members.

48. OPEN FORUM

During the Open Forum the following questions/comments were submitted:

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(a) Mr P. Harper, resident, had been requested by Aintree residents to raise the matter of three litter bins which were previously sited outside the shops on Altway, Aintree Village (opposite the Library), which had been reduced to a single bin due to damage caused by vehicles mounting the pavement when making deliveries and rendering two bins beyond repair; the consequence of which had meant that the single bin would become full, causing litter to be dropped on the floor by some individuals or the contents of the bin falling from the top of the bin. The Committee were requested to reinstate the 2 missing bins as soon as possible.

RESOLVED:

That the necessary processes be instigated to reinstate the two missing bins and funded from the Molyneux Ward Budget.

(b) Mr Harper also enquired as to whether the Area Committee could make a request of the Sayers shop or impose any condition on the management to site a bin outside or near to its premises and take responsibility to empty the bin.

RESOLVED:

That the Area Committee investigate the possibility of requesting the Sayers shop in Altway to site a bin outside or near their premises; and investigate the possibility of more bins being sponsored by fast food outlets.

49. MAGHULL INTERCHANGE RAILWAY STATION

Further to Minute No 48 of the meeting held on 10 September 2009, Tony McDonagh, Principal Bus Services Officer and Steve Cook, Forward Planning Officer attended the meeting as representatives of Merseytravel to discuss the issue of buses stopping over at Maghull Interchange Railway Station and their impact on parking issues at the railway station.

Mr McDonagh reported that he and his colleagues had inspected the site and there was an issue with buses laying over due to aggregated time, however it would not be possible to change the bus schedule as this would adversely impact on service; nor would it be possible to change layover time; however it would be possible to investigate the layout of the station and enforcement procedures to ensure cars were not parking in the bus lanes.

Councillors asked a number of questions relating to child parking bays; the capacity of service; the proposals for Maghull North Railway station and its planning application; bus services to Maghull Leisure Centre; transport issues to Melling and the possible extension of the 326 bus service. Mr McDonagh and Mr Cook answered all questions, adding that due to the Maghull North Railway Station proposal, an overall review of the transport

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service within Sefton East would be undertaken before installation of the station.

RESOLVED:

That Merseytravel investigate and suggest any improvement of the Maghull Railway Station designated parking.

50. REVIEW OF PARKING RESTRICTIONS - MAGHULL STATION AREA

The Committee considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director on the current situation following the waiting restrictions to combat all day parking in residential roads in the vicinity of Maghull Railway Station, highlighting comments from local residents on parking conditions, the success in the reduction of parking by commuters in the area and seeking approval for a recommendation as a way forward as commuters were parking in adjacent streets.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the contents of the report be noted;
- (2) further consultation with residents of Hurst Road, Daisy Mount and Spring Gardens be approved as detailed in the report; and
- (3) initial consultation with residents of Melling Lane, Heathfield Road, Ashleigh Road, Molyneux Road and Poverty Lane be approved.

51. PROPOSED JUNCTION IMPROVEMENT - PRESCOT ROAD / BANK LANE, MELLING

Further to Minute No 36 of the meeting held 10 September 2009, the Committee considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director regarding the proposed junction improvement at Prescot Road/Bank Lane; and indicting that a recent public consultation exercise on the matter had been undertaken in which 22 responses had been received of the 37 potential respondents, with a 59% return rate, 13 residents were in favour of the scheme and 9 were against; and seeking approval for progression of the proposed scheme as outlined in the report and upon plans as in Annex B.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the results of the consultation exercise be noted; and
- (2) the proposed roundabout at the junction of Prescot Road and Bank Lane, subject to financial approval by Cabinet Member – Technical Services, be approved for progression.

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52. DOG FOULING AROUND HUDSON SCHOOL

The Committee considered the report of Councillor Howe regarding the receipt of a petition from residents of the Alt Estate, particularly Woodley Road, Moorland Road and Moorhey Road, endorsed by Councillor Howe.

The petition on dog fouling around Hudson School indicated that PSCOs, whilst having the delegated powers to penalise dog owners, were under utilising this power; requested Sefton Council or Maghull Town Council to agree a way forward to tackle the issue and outlined a number of suggested resolutions.

Monks. Principal Environmental Health Officer Rob from the Environmental Protection Department addressed the Committee and reported that complaint data from April 2009 to date indicated that 302 complaints had been received from Sefton residents regarding dog fouling with 15 from the Sefton East Parishes area; that based on this data, the 3 dog wardens at his disposal would be allocated to those areas with the highest incidents of reported dog fouling; that only 5 complaints had been received from the Alt Estate prior to the petition; that a meeting had been held to tackle the issue on Monday 8 November 2009 resulting in the implementation of stencils, distribution of leaflets, that the Alt Estate be cleared of current dog foul and PSCOs patrol the estate under 'Operation Collar' to ensure enforcement of any offence and by stopping any one with dogs to ensure they were carrying bags to clear away dog foul.

Councillors and members of the public asked a variety of questions relating to: data used by the Public Health Department; public complaints; contact details for the dog warden; the definition of offences relating to dog fouling and the powers of dog wardens; publicity of the environmental health department and naming and shaming offenders.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the Legal Director in consultation with the Environmental Protection Director be requested to investigate whether any by-laws could be introduced to ensure that dog owners carry plastic bags on them and are visible when walking dogs; and
- (2) Councillors encourage members of the public to report any persistent offenders of dog fouling.

53. A TOURISM VISION FOR SEFTON 2020

Further to Minute No 22 of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Regeneration and Environmental Services) meeting held on 15 September 2009, the Committee considered the report of the Head of Tourism on the progress made in relation to the tourism strategy as outlined in "A Tourism Vision for Sefton 2020"; indicating the Tourism Department's proposals for implementation across Sefton; and indicating

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that the Committee note a shift of focus from traditional tourism centres, such as Southport, to initiatives affecting the wider visitor economy.

Councillors asked a variety of questions relating to: Aintree Racecourse and the surrounding area; communication between the Tourism Department and parish Councils; financial contributions of business to the Sefton area; the potential of developments on waterways within the borough and the Frank Hornby Trust.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the contents of the report be noted; and
- (2) the Head of Tourism respond directly to Ward Councillors regarding their concerns raised.

54. OVERVIEW YOUTH PROVISION REPORT

Further to Minute No 40 of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Children's Services), the Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director of Children's Services on the overview of youth provision in Sefton; that indicated targeted provision available for young people in the Sefton by area, excluding private sector providers; that there were a number of targeted provisions delivered by Merseyside Police, Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service and the Local Authority, which were supporting vulnerable or socially excluded young people; and that the report had been referred to the Committee for information and discussion.

John Philips, Area Manager, Children's Services presented the report; Councillors shared information indicating inaccuracies or omissions from the report and asked a variety of questions relating to: Maghull Coffee Bar; Aintree Youth Centre; funding streams for youth activities and provision; and the delivery of youth engagement activity across Sefton, particularly the emphasis of the national curriculum in after school youth activity.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the contents of the report be noted; and
- (2) the Strategic Director of Children's Services be requested to produce a report for the Area Committee outlining the roles and responsibilities of elected members in the operation of Aintree Youth Centre.

55. PROPOSED SPEED RESTRICTION REDUCTIONS - PRESCOT ROAD, MAGHULL LANE, CUNSCOUGH LANE AND M58 MOTORWAY ROUNDABOUT, MELLING

The Committee considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director on the proposed speed restrictions at Prescot Road, Maghull Lane, Cunscough Lane and the M58 Motorway

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roundabout, Melling and seeking approval to reduce the speed limit on these routes.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the proposals to reduce the speed limits on A506/B5197 Prescot Road / Cunscough Lane, Maghull Lane and at the roundabout of junction 1, Maghull Lane / M58 motorway as outlined in this report be approved; and
- (2) the necessary legal procedures, including that of public consultation and advertising of the Council's intention to implement the Orders be approved, so that the measures can be implemented early in the New Year.

56. PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN REFUGES – LIVERPOOL ROAD NORTH, DODDS LANE AND DAMFIELD LANE, MAGHULL

Further to Minute No 25 of the Cabinet Member Technical Services meeting held on 15 July 2009, the Committee considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director on the proposed Pedestrian Refuges for Liverpool Road North, Dodds Lane and Damfield Lane, Maghull; seeking approval of progression of pedestrian refuges on the above mentioned roads; and indicating that in order to comply with Department for Transport advice, signalised pedestrian crossing facilities should be provided at locations where PV² is exceeded (P=number of pedestrians crossing and V= the volume of traffic).

With the exception of the Crosby by-pass, the remaining 53 sites surveyed did not meet the threshold in order to justify the installation of a signalised pedestrian refuge, however the Technical Services department proposed to use the allocation included within the 2009/10 Capital Programme to suggest eight non-signalised refuges, based on the priority of the location using the above formula.

Councillors asked a variety of questions relating to: the potential for the installation of a refuge on Northway (A59); a mini round about on Damfield Lane; speed humps in Melling and the eyeline of pedestrians of traffic on Dodds Lane into Liverpool Road North. Steve Johnson, Team Leader, Transportation and Development, answered questions, and agreed to address the issues raised.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the design and implementation of the pedestrian refuges on Liverpool Road North, Dodds Lane and Damfield Lane, Maghull, subject to a positive public consultation, be progressed;
- (2) issues with pedestrians' line of sight with regard to traffic from Liverpool Road North from the refuge at Dodds Lane be investigated; and

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(3) issues relating to pedestrian and cycle crossings along the A59 throughout the Sefton East Parishes area be investigated.

57. TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS - CENTRAL SQUARE, MAGHULL

The Committee considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director on the proposed introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders the effect of which would ensure the full enforcement of the 2 hour limit on waiting at Central Square, Maghull; indicating that two options were being investigated to achieve this aim; that the first option was to introduce a new Traffic Regulation Order which would designate Maghull Central Square as an Off-Street Car Park, but would be dependent on the exact status of the Central Square as a highway and if the existing signing and lining would be sufficient to allow such an order to be enforced; that the second option would retain the existing Order but amend the current lines and signs to allow full enforcement to take place (this option was being costed as a significant number of the signs and lines would have to be renewed to make this option feasible); that the Committee be requested note the options being pursed; and that further update reports would be submitted to a future meeting.

RESOLVED:

That the contents of the report be noted and that further update reports would be submitted.

58. WADDICAR LANE DEVELOPMENTS, MELLING

Further to Minute No 34 of the meeting held 10 September 2008, the Committee considered the report of Councillor Robertson which requested an update from the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environmental Services regarding the Satinwood Crescent development by Morris Homes and Persimmon Homes.

A report from the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environmental Services outlining an update on the situation was tabled indicating that the outstanding sewer connection required was completed in April 2009; that as a result of the connection being made, a site meeting was arranged between Sefton Council and the developers and a list of remedial works had been agreed, however, remedial works which were required at the pumping station in The Village development remained outstanding and had resulted in United Utilities not adopting the new sewers; that there was an ongoing dispute between the developers regarding who was responsible for the payment of fees in relation to this matter; and that further meetings would be arranged between all concerned to finally have the adoption of the highways progressed.

Discussions ensued regarding the matter and Councillors and members of the public outlined a variety of concerns regarding the issue. **RESOLVED:** That

- (1) the Assistant Director Neighbourhoods arrange a site meeting with appropriate officers, relevant members of the public and Ward Councillors and thereafter report back to a future Committee meeting; and
- (2) the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director be requested to submit an update report regarding the issue of Waddicarr Lane Developments to each Area Committee.

59. BUDGET MONITORING

Further to Minute No 37 of the meeting held 10 September 2009, the Committee considered the report of the Planning and Economic Regeneration Director that indicated the balance available for the allocation for 2009/10 budget was as follows.

Balance b/f	2009/10 Budget	2009/10 Litterbins	2009/10 Street Signs	2009/10 Available	2009/10 Commitments	Balance Available
£	£	£	£	£	£	£

SEPAC-wide by Ward								
Molyneux	1,047.00	1,767.00	-	-	2,814.00	-	2,814.00	
Park	589.00	1,767.00	-	-	2,356.00	-	2,356.00	
Sudell	2,211.00	1,766.00	-	-	3,977.00	-	1,277.00	

Parish/Town Councils									
<u>Aintree</u>	-	3,860.00	-	-	3,860.00	3,860.00	-		
Lydiate	3,610.00	3,610.00	-	-	7,220.00	-	7,220.00		
<u>Maghull</u>	-	12,035.00	-	-	12,035.00	-	12,035.00		
Melling	-	1,520.00	-	-	1,520.00	-	1,520.00		
Sefton	175.00	175.00	_	-	350.00	_	350.00		

Litterbins by Ward									
Molyneux	49.00	-	557.00	-	606.00	380.00	226.00		
Park	779.00	-	557.00	-	1,336.00	1,140.00	196.00		
Sudell	749.00	-	557.00	-	1,306.00	-	1,306.00		

Total	9,209,00	26.500.00	1,671.00	3,000.00	40,380.00	8,080.00	32,300.00	
Sudell	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	
Park	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	
Molyneux	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	
Street Signs by Ward								

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RESOLVED: That

- (1) the balance of the budget available for each Parish/Town Council from the general budget and to each Ward from SEPAC-wide budget allocations for the rest of the year be noted;
- (2) the balances of the litter bin budget for each Ward be noted;
- an allocation of £760 be made for the replacement of 2 litterbins at Altway shops, (opposite the library) from the Molyneux Ward budget;
- (4) an allocation of £380 be made for the placement of a litterbin at the top of Hunt Road from the Sudell Ward budget;
- an allocation of £50 be made for a base of a litterbin to be resited from Prescot Road, Melling to outside Natwest Bank, Old Roan shops;
- (6) an allocation of £200 be made for a post mounted bin at Prescot Road from the Molyneux Ward budget;
- (7) an allocation be made for a no through road sign for Knutsford Walk, Lydiate, from the Park Ward budget;
- (8) an allocation of £80 be made for additional street signs from the Molyneux Ward budget;
- (9) an allocation be made for a bin from the Park Ward budget to be placed on the junction of Meadway and the trans-pennine trail footpath and to be emptied everyday; and
- (10) a contribution of £2,000, derived from three equal proportions of each Sefton East Ward budget, to provide Christmas Lights in Maghull Central Square be approved.

60. CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS

The Committee considered correspondence relating to items raised from the previous meeting.

RESOLVED:

That the correspondence be noted.

61. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

In accordance with the agreed Schedule of Meetings for this Area Committee, the next meeting will be held on Thursday 21 January 2009 at Maghull Town Hall, Hall Lane, Maghull commencing at 18:30.

Meeting:

SEFTON EAST PARISHES AREA COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting:

Title of Report: TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS – CENTRAL SQUARE , MAGHULL.

21 JANUARY 2010

<u>Report of</u> :		This report contains	Yes	No
Andy Wallis				
Director of Plannin	g & Regeneration	CONFIDENTIAL		\checkmark
		Information/		
Contact Officer:		EXEMPT information by virtue of		
Dave Marrin	0151 934 4295	paragraph(s)of Part 1 of		,
		Schedule 12A to the Local		\checkmark
		Government Act, 1972		
		(If information is marked exempt,		
		the Public Interest Test must be		
		applied and favour the exclusion		
		of the information from the press		
		and public).		
		Is the decision on this report	,	
		DELEGATED?	\checkmark	

Purpose of Report

To inform Members of the current situation with regards to Traffic Regulation Orders on Central Square, Maghull

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that Members note the report

Corporate Objective Monitoring

Corporate Objective		Positive	Neutral	Negative
<u>Objective</u>		Impact	Impact	Impact
1.	Creating a Learning Community		1	
2.	Creating Safe Communities		\checkmark	
3.	Jobs and Prosperity	✓		
4.	Improving Health and Well-Being		✓	
5.	Environmental Sustainability		✓	
6.	Creating Inclusive Communities	✓		
7.	Improving the Quality of Council Services and			
	Strengthening local Democracy		1	
8.	Children and Young People		✓	

Financial Implications

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2006/ 2007 £	2007/ 2008 £	2008/ 2009 £	2009/ 2010 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date	? Y/N	When?		·
How will the service be funded post expiry?		Traffic Mana	agement Buo	dget

Departments consulted in the preparation of this Report

NIL

List of background papers relied upon in the preparation of this Report

NIL

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Members will be aware, from a report made to the last meeting of the Area Committee, of problems with the existing Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) which applies to Central Square, Maghull which makes it difficult for the 2 hour limit on waiting to be enforced.
- 1.2 A Traffic Regulation Order is in place. However, the current lining and signing does not allow the Order to be fully enforced.

2.0 PROPOSALS

2.1 Officers have now investigated two options to resolve this matter:

Option 1 - The introduction of a new TRO which would designate Maghull Central Square as an Off-Street Car Park. Progression of this option would depend on a view being taken regarding the exact status of the Central Square as a highway. The existing signing and lining would be sufficient to allow such an order to be enforced

Option 2 - The existing Order remaining and the current lines and signs being amended to allow full enforcement to take place. This option is currently being costed as a significant number of the signs and lines would have to be renewed to make this option feasible

- 2.2 It has now been confirmed that Central Square does have the status of adopted public highway and in view of this it is considered that Option 2 should be progresses.
- 2.3 In order for the Traffic Regulation Order to be enforced it will be necessary to refresh / renew approximately 530 metres of broken white lines which delineate the parking bays. It will also be necessary to provide an additional 10 signs to indicate the 2 hour limit on waiting to motorists.
- 2.4 The costs of the additional lining and signing is estimated to be £1,450

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Date of Meeting: 21 JANUARY 2010

<u>Title of Report</u>: PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN REFUGE – DAMFIELD LANE, MAGHULL – RESULTS OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION

<u>Report of</u> : Andy Wallis	This report contains CONFIDENTIAL	Yes	No √
Director of Planning & Economic Regeneration	Information/		
<u>Contact Officer</u> : Dave Marrin – 934 4295 Paula Butt – 934 4227	EXEMPT information by virtue of paragraph(s)of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 (If information <u>is</u> marked exempt, the Public Interest Test must be applied and favour the exclusion of the information from the press and public).		\checkmark
	Is the decision on this report DELEGATED?		

Purpose of Report

To appraise Members of the results of the recent consultation exercise carried out with residents of property numbers 59 – 108 Hall Lane and 118 – 130 Damfield Lane, Maghull on a proposal to improve an existing traffic island by introducing a pedestrian refuge in its place on Damfield Lane to the side of 63 Hall Lane, Maghull.

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that :-

Members indicate the way in which they would wish to see this proposal progressed in accordance with paragraphs 4.2

Corporate Objective Monitoring

Corporate Objective		Positive	Neutral	Negative
_		<u>Impact</u>	<u>Impact</u>	Impact
1.	Creating a Learning Community		\checkmark	
2.	Creating Safe Communities			
3.	Jobs and Prosperity		\checkmark	
4.	Improving Health and Well-Being		\checkmark	
5.	Environmental Sustainability		\checkmark	
6.	Creating Inclusive Communities		\checkmark	
7.	Improving the Quality of Council Services and		\checkmark	
	Strengthening local Democracy			
8.	Children and Young People			

Financial Implications

	2009/	2010/	2011/	2012/
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2010 £	2011 £	2012 £	2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure	12,000			
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources	12,000			
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N		When?		
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Departments consulted in the preparation of this Report

None

List of background papers relied upon in the preparation of this Report

Report to Sefton East Parishes Area Committee, dated 12 November 2009 entitled 'Proposed Pedestrian Refuges – Liverpool Road North, Dodds Lane and Damfield Lane, Maghull'

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 At its meeting on 12 November 2009, the Sefton East Parishes Area Committee resolved to progress with a consultation exercise to the frontages of a section of Hall Lane and Damfield Lane, Maghull regarding a proposal to upgrade an existing splitter island into a pedestrian refuge on Damfield Lane located to the side of 63 Hall Lane, Maghull.
- 1.2 14 consultation packs consisting of an information flyer, a questionnaire and a plan showing the proposals was delivered to properties fronting the proposed scheme on Wednesday 11 November 2009, and the closing date for consultation returns was Friday 4 December 2009.
- 1.3 The consultation flyer and questionnaire and plan are attached as Annexes A, B & C.

2.0 CONSULTATION RESULTS

- 2.1 A total of 9 questionnaires were returned by the deadline date, giving a response rate of 64.3%. This is an excellent response rate for the scheme.
- 2.2 Of the 9 questionnaires returned, 6 (66.7%) are in favour and 3 (33.3%) are not in favour of the proposed pedestrian refuge on Damfield Lane located to the side of 63 Hall Lane, Maghull.
- 2.3 Of the 6 respondents in favour of the proposed pedestrian refuge, the following comments/requests were supplied on the questionnaires:
 - 3 supplied no comments or requests
 - The pedestrian refuge will assist pedestrians in crossing at the busy junction was raised twice
 - A request to relocate the bus stop from 108 Hall Lane to a location on Damfield Lane around the bend was raised once
- 2.4 Of the 3 respondents not in favour of the proposed pedestrian refuge, the following comments/requests were supplied on the questionnaires:
 - The existing island at the junction is already unsafe and by introducing a pedestrian refuge here will be dangerous for pedestrians to cross here was raised three times
 - Need to address traffic flows over the adjacent canal swing bridge was raised once
 - The guardrail to the side of 63 Hall Lane and frontage to 128 130 Damfield Lane needs to remain in place was raised once

3.0 COMMENTS

- 3.1 In the consultation exercise, 6 (66.7%) are in favour and 3 (33.3%) are not in favour of the proposed pedestrian refuge on Damfield Lane.
- 3.2 The request for a pedestrian crossing facility was received from local residents for a crossing facility to be provided on Damfield Lane. Subsequently this location was included with the Pedestrian Crossing Review Programme for 2009/10.

- 3.3 The proposal will assist pedestrians that already cross at the splitter island at the junction of Hall Lane/Damfield Lane, by providing a safer facility that will protect pedestrians from passing traffic at this location, and the refuge will be highly visible to all road users on Hall Lane/Damfield Lane.
- 3.4 The proposal will assist pupils of nearby Maricourt High School to walk to and from school, therefore assisting with Maricourt High School's School Travel Plan targets.
- 3.5 The existing guardrail to the side of 63 Hall Lane and frontage to 128 130 Damfield Lane needs is to remain in place.
- 3.6 The request to relocate the bus stop from adjacent to 108 Hall Lane to an alternative location further north-west will be investigated with Merseytravel in due course.

4.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 As 66.7% of respondents are in favour of the upgrading the existing splitter island by introducing the proposed pedestrian refuge, it is recommended that approval be given to proceed with the introduction of the pedestrian refuge by the end of the 2009/10 financial year.
- 4.2 In accordance with delegations approved within the Council's Constitution and the protocol agreed with Cabinet Member Technical Services and Area Committee Chairs in Spring 2002 for the progression of Capital Schemes, with regard to this proposal the Area Committee can: -
 - Approve the scheme as proposed above;
 - Approve the scheme with minor amendments; or
 - Refer the scheme to the Cabinet Member Technical Services, indicating the Area Committees view on how the proposal should be progressed.

Andy Wallis Director of Planning & Economic Regeneration



PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS DAMFIELD LANE, MAGHULL

CONSULTATION

Residents have contacted the Council to request that the existing splitter island on Damfield Lane close to the junction with Hall Lane be improved to assist pedestrians crossing here, and this location was subsequently included within the Pedestrian Crossing Review Programme for 2009/10.

It is proposed to improve the splitter island to incorporate a wider pedestrian refuge to provide a safer facility for pedestrians to cross at this location. The proposed pedestrian refuge will also include tactile paving to assist visually impaired pedestrians, and its location is indicated on the plan shown overleaf.

In order to report your views back to the 21 January 2010 meeting of the Sefton East Parishes Area Committee, I would be grateful if you could complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it in the pre-paid envelope provided to reach us no later than **Friday**, **4** December 2009.

Should you require any further information please contact Paula Butt on 0151 934 4227. Minicom 0151 934 4218. Please telephone if you require this information in large print, or in any other format.

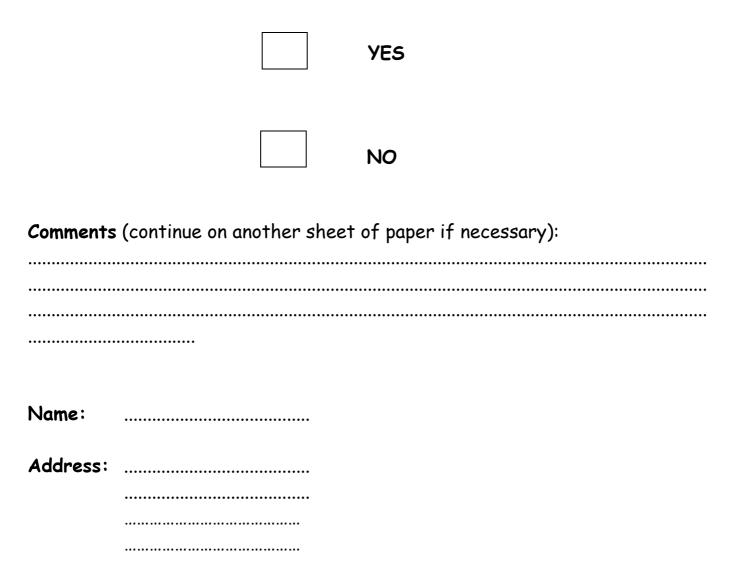
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PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS

DAMFIELD LANE, MAGHULL

QUESTIONNAIRE

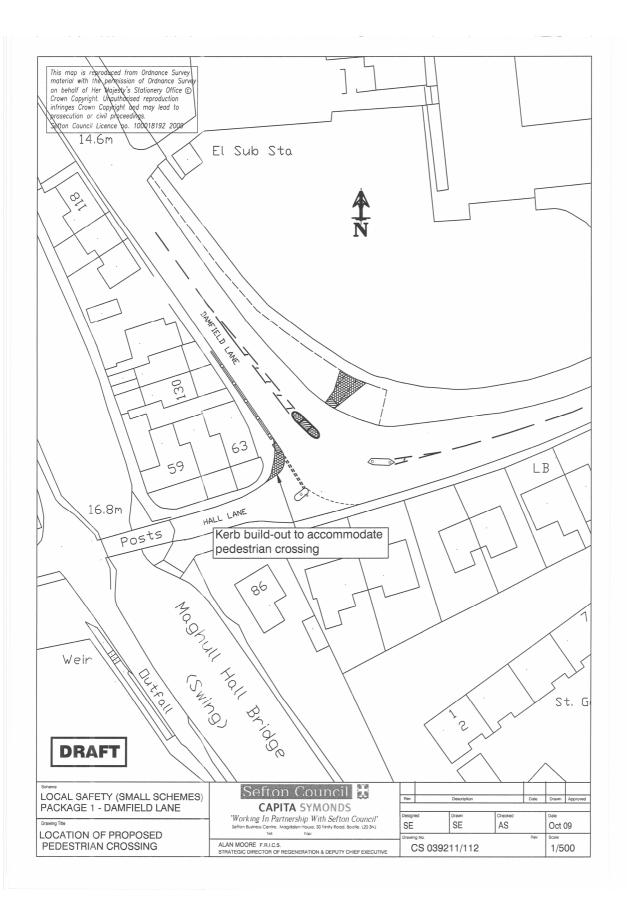
Are you in favour of the proposed pedestrian crossing improvements, as shown on the enclosed plan? (Place a tick (\checkmark) in the appropriate box): -



Please complete and return in the pre-paid envelope provided, to reach us no later than **Friday**, **4** December 2009.

Sefton MBC Technical Services Department Traffic Services Unit - Traffic Management & Road Safety Team

Annex C



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Meeting: SEFTON EAST PARISHES AREA COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: 21 JANUARY 2010

<u>Title of Report</u>: PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN REFUGES – LIVERPOOL ROAD NORTH & DODDS LANE, MAGHULL – RESULTS OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION

<u>Report of</u> : Andy Wallis Director of Planning & Economic Regeneration	This report contains CONFIDENTIAL Information/	Yes	No √
<u>Contact Officer</u> : Dave Marrin – 934 4295 Paula Butt – 934 4227	EXEMPT information by virtue of paragraph(s)of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 (If information <u>is</u> marked exempt, the Public Interest Test must be applied and favour the exclusion of the information from the press and public).		\checkmark
	Is the decision on this report DELEGATED ?		

Purpose of Report

To appraise Members of the results of the recent consultation exercise carried out with frontagers in proximity of the junction of Liverpool Road North and Dodd's Lane, Maghull on a Proposal to introduce a pedestrian refuge island on Liverpool Road North adjacent to the doctors' surgery and in the bellmouth of Dodd's Lane at its junction with Liverpool Road North.

Recommendation(s)

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that :-

Members indicate the way in which they would wish to see this proposal progressed in accordance with paragraphs 4.2

Corporate Objective		Positive	<u>Neutral</u>	Negative
		<u>Impact</u>	Impact	Impact
1.	Creating a Learning Community		\checkmark	
2.	Creating Safe Communities	\checkmark		
3.	Jobs and Prosperity		\checkmark	
4.	Improving Health and Well-Being		\checkmark	
5.	Environmental Sustainability		\checkmark	
6.	Creating Inclusive Communities		\checkmark	
7.	Improving the Quality of Council Services and		\checkmark	
	Strengthening local Democracy			
8.	Children and Young People		\checkmark	

Financial Implications

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure	12,000			
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources	12,000			
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N		When?		
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Departments consulted in the preparation of this Report

None

List of background papers relied upon in the preparation of this Report

Report to Sefton East Parishes Area Committee, dated 12 November 2009, entitled 'Proposed Pedestrian Refuges – Liverpool Road North, Dodds Lane and Damfield Lane, Maghull'

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 At its meeting on 12 November 2009, the Sefton East Parishes Area Committee resolved to progress with a consultation exercise to the frontages in close proximity of the junction of Liverpool Road North and Dodd's Lane, Maghull.
- 1.2 18 consultation packs consisting of an information flyer, a questionnaire and a plan showing the proposals was delivered to properties fronting the proposed scheme on Wednesday 11 November 2009, and the closing date for consultation returns was Friday 4 December 2009.
- 1.3 The consultation flyer and questionnaire and plan are attached as Annexes A, B & C.

2.0 CONSULTATION RESULTS

- 2.1 A total of 11 questionnaires were returned by the deadline date, giving a response rate of 61.1%. This is an excellent response rate for the scheme.
- 2.2 Of the 11 questionnaires returned, 9 (81.8%) are in favour and 2 (18.2%) are not in favour of the two proposed pedestrian refuges.
- 2.3 Of the 11 respondents in favour of the proposed pedestrian refuge, the following comments/requests were supplied on the questionnaires:
 - Five supplied no comments or requests
 - The pedestrian refuge will assist pedestrians in crossing at the busy junction was raised twice
 - A request for a mini roundabout at the junction was raised once
 - The footways in the vicinity of the surgery need levelling and sweeping was raised once
 - Double yellow lines should be introduced at the junction to prevent parking adjacent to the doctors' surgery was raised once
 - 'speed ramps' should be installed on Liverpool Road North service road to prevent vehicles speeding along here to avoid traffic queues on the main carriageway – was raised once
- 2.4 Of the 2 respondents not in favour of the proposed pedestrian refuge, the following comments/requests were supplied on the questionnaires:
 - I take my life into my own hands when driving or reversing onto Liverpool Road North, with the speed of the traffic coming from Lydiate area. To have a pedestrian crossing would make it impossible for me to get out – was raised once
 - When there has been a torrential down pour the area between the corner of Dodd's Lane outside the surgery are completed flooded. The road grids will not take the water and its impossible to walk to the surgery with getting splashed by speeding traffic. 30mph means nothing on the road. Need to issue wellies to pedestrians crossing the road here was raised once
 - The proposed refuge would work on Liverpool Road North but not on Dodd's Lane. It would be a hazard and danger. I would be getting flattened from cars and wagons off Liverpool Road, just like the refuge by the Loc 8 shop by the Meadows pub – was raised once

Agenda Item 10 3.0 COMMENTS

- 3.1 In the consultation exercise, 9 (81.8%) are in favour and 2 (18.2%) are not in favour of the two proposed pedestrian refuges.
- 3.2 The request for a pedestrian crossing facility was received from local residents for a crossing facility to be provided in close proximity of the Doctors' surgery on the corner of the junction of Liverpool Road North and Dodd's Lane. Subsequently this location was included with the Pedestrian Crossing Review Programme for 2009/10.
- 3.3 The proposed pedestrian refuges will assist all pedestrians including vulnerable pedestrians and the visually impaired in crossing both wide roads safely and will improve access to the doctors' surgery.
- 3.4 The proposed pedestrian refuge in the bell mouth of Dodd's Lane at its junction with Liverpool Road North will also highlight the junction to road users and will help to prevent any road users from 'cutting corners' when manoeuvring at the junction.
- 3.5 Should approval be obtained for the introduction of the pedestrian refuges, parking surveys will be carried out at the junction to assess the on-street parking associated with the doctors' surgery. If 'At Any Time' restrictions are considered necessary at the junction, a Committee Report outlining their introduction will be submitted to a future meeting of the Sefton East Parishes Area Committee for approval.
- 3.6 With regard to the 'flooding' issues of the highway in the vicinity of the doctors' surgery, this will be raised with the drainage section for further investigation and remediation if necessary.

4.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 As 81.8% of respondents are in favour of the introduction of the proposed pedestrian refuges, it is recommended that approval be given to proceed with the introduction of the pedestrian refuges by the end of the 2009/10 financial year.
- 4.2 In accordance with delegations approved within the Council's Constitution and the protocol agreed with Cabinet Member Technical Services and Area Committee Chairs in Spring 2002 for the progression of Capital Schemes, with regard to this proposal the Area Committee can: -
 - Approve the scheme as proposed above;
 - Approve the scheme with minor amendments; or
 - Refer the scheme to the Cabinet Member Technical Services, indicating the Area Committees view on how the proposal should be progressed.

Andy Wallis Director of Planning & Economic Regeneration



PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN REFUGES LIVERPOOL ROAD NORTH & DODDS LANE, MAGHULL

CONSULTATION

Residents have contacted the Council to request that pedestrian crossing facilities be provided in the vicinity of the Doctor's surgery on Liverpool Road North and Dodds Lane, and these locations were subsequently included within the Pedestrian Crossing Review Programme for 2009/10.

It is proposed to introduce two pedestrian refuges on Liverpool Road North and Dodds Lane, adjacent to the Doctor's surgery to assist pedestrians to cross at these locations. A plan showing the proposed locations of the two pedestrian refuges is shown overleaf.

In order to report your views back to the 21 January 2010 meeting of the Sefton East Parishes Area Committee, I would be grateful if you could complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it in the pre-paid envelope provided to reach us no later than **Friday**, **4** December 2009.

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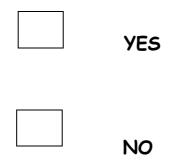
Many Thanks, A.WALLIS DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & ECONOMIC REGENERATION

PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN REFUGES

LIVERPOOL ROAD NORTH & DODDS LANE, MAGHULL

QUESTIONNAIRE

Are you in favour of the proposed pedestrian refuges, as shown on the enclosed plan? (Place a tick (\checkmark) in the appropriate box): -



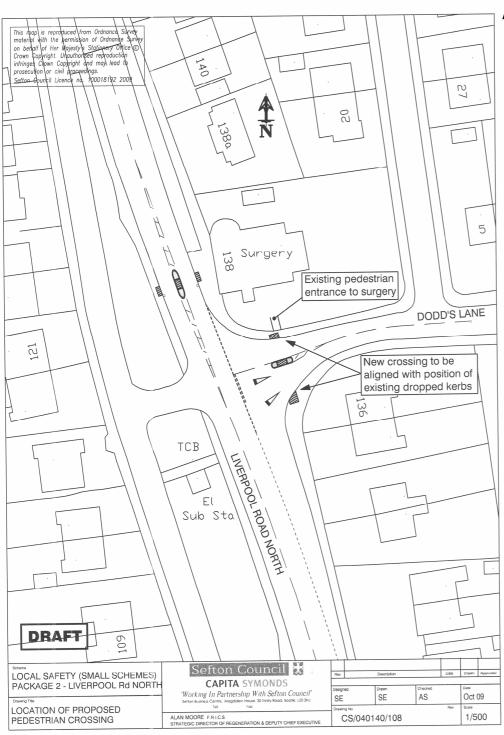
Comments (continue on another sheet of paper if necessary):

Name:

Address:

Please complete and return in the pre-paid envelope provided, to reach us no later than **Friday**, **4** December 2009.

Sefton MBC Technical Services Department Traffic Services Unit – Traffic Management & Road Safety Team



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Meeting: SEFTON EAST PARISHES AREA COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: 21 JANUARY 2010

Title of Report:WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981, SECTION 53,
APPLICATION FOR THE ADDITION OF TWO FOOTPATHS
TO DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF
SCHOOL LANE, AINTREE.

<u>Report of</u> : Andy Wallis Director of Planning and Economic Regeneration	This report contains CONFIDENTIAL Information/	Yes	No √
<u>Contact Officers</u> : Brian Goodwin 0151 934 4239	EXEMPT information by virtue of paragraph(s)of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 (If information <u>is</u> marked exempt, the Public Interest Test must be applied and favour the exclusion of the information from the press and public).		\checkmark
	Is the decision on this report DELEGATED ?		

Purpose of Report

To seek approval to continue making a modification order under Section 53(2) and Section 53(3)(b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 following amendments to the proposed order plan and worded description. Subsequent to the previous resolution made by this Committee on 22 March 2007 in this regard

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that the Legal Services Director:

be authorised to make a definitive map modification order under Section 53(2) and Section 53(3)(b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to add the ways shown as a pecked line A-B-C and D-E on drawing number DC0482 to the Councils Definitive Rights of Way Map and Statement;

Corporate Objective Monitoring

Corporate		Positive	Neutral	Negative
Objective		Impact	Impact	Impact
1.	Creating a Learning Community		1	
2.	Creating Safe Communities		1	
3.	Jobs and Prosperity		1	
4.	Improving Health and Well-Being	1		
5.	Environmental Sustainability	1		
6.	Creating Inclusive Communities	1		
7.	Improving the Quality of Council Services and		1	
	Strengthening local Democracy			
8.	Children and Young People			

Financial Implications

If a public inquiry is required then the cost of this will have to be met from the existing Public Rights of Way Revenue Budget and a further report will be submitted in due course in this regard. Previously, the parties at Hearings and Inquiries relating to public rights of way orders made by Local Authorities were expected to meet their own expenses, irrespective of the outcome. However, with effect from 2nd August 2004, if a person with an interest in land over which a path is to be created successfully objects to an order so that the same is not confirmed - an award of costs will be made in the persons favour, unless there are exceptional reasons for not doing so.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by Sefton East Parishes Area				
Committee				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? N		When?	1	1
How will the service be funded post expiry?)			

Departments consulted in the preparation of this Report

Legal Department - Peter Cowley

List of background papers relied upon in the preparation of this Report

Sefton East Parishes Area Committee report for the meeting on 22nd March, 2007 for the consideration of an application to add a footpath to the Council's Definitive Map and Statement in respect of School Lane, Aintree.

Certificate of service of notice of application for a modification order under Section 53(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

Numerous evidence forms submitted in support of claim.

Land Registry Search dated 1st November, 2005

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 At the meeting of this Committee on 22 March 2007. Members considered the report from the Director of Technical Services to consider the evidence for and against the footpath linking School Lane, Aintree to the Leeds Liverpool Canal Towpath being recorded as a public footpath.
- 1.2 This was following receipt of an application under Section 53(2) of The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 for the way to be recorded on the Council's Definitive Rights of Way Map and Statement.
- 1.3 The Committee authorised the Legal Director to make a definitive map modification order under Section 53(2) and Section 53(3)(b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act.
- 1.4 The location and direction of the way was based on the evidence received and a plan and a written description of the path were included in the previous report.
- 1.5 During the administrative processes necessary to make the Order it came to light that the plan in the previous report, which was to be the Order plan, was not totally accurate.
- 1.6 The line drawn on the plan did not replicate the situation on the ground and differed slightly to the written description for the Order. Point A, the start of the path, shown of the map was nearly 10 metres north east of the actual start point.
- 1.7 The written description has also been rechecked and it was found that two of the lengths mentioned needed amending.

2.0 INFORMATION

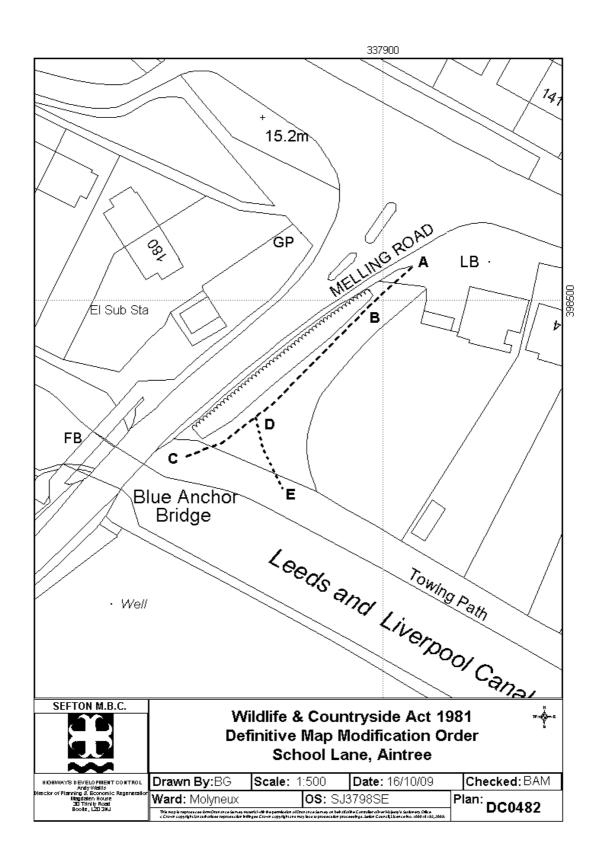
- 2.1 Should the Order be made with the plan and written description as per the original resolution it would invalidate the Order and subsequently the footpath could not be recorded on the Definitive Rights of Way Map and Statement.
- 2.2 As the description and plan were part of the previous Committee resolution, to alter them without receiving further Committee approval would again have the affect of invalidating the Order.
- 2.3 Therefore, a further report was required to amend the order plan to ensure robustness, particularly if the application was challenged at a later date.
- 2.4 The error on the original plan was one made whilst drafting. The slight error in the measurements detailed in the description came from the drafting error. This does not have any effect upon the claim and evidence of the existence of the footpath and as such, the resolution to make the Order is not being reconsidered.

3.0 PROPOSAL

- 3.1 That approval for the Order to be made with the new plan DC0482 be given now that point A is correctly shown.
- 3.2 The description of the way to be amended to:

The path is shown on plan no. DC0482 (Appendix A) and commences at School Lane, Aintree, point A, grid ref. SJ 37919851 where it is a 1.5m wide path along the southerly base of the bridge embankment. It continues for a distance of 15m where it passes through a 1.5m wide gap between the embankment and a field gate at point B, grid ref. SJ 37909850. The way continues as a surfaced path for 20m and a trodden surface for 18m in a south westerly direction, with a width of 1.5m, until it meets the Leeds Liverpool Canal towpath at grid ref. SJ 37879847, shown as point C. The path also has a link in a southerly direction at point D, grid ref. SJ 37889848 with a width of 1.5m and a trodden surface the path meets the Leeds Liverpool Canal towpath.

Andy Wallis Planning & Economic Regeneration Director



- Meeting: St Oswald & Netherton & Orrell Area Committee Formby Area Committee Crosby Area Committee Sefton East Parishes Area Committee Litherland and Ford Area Committee
- Date of Meeting: 7th January 2010 7th January 2010 20th January 2010 21st January 2010 6th January 2010

<u>Title of Report:</u> Thornton to Switch Island Link – Public Consultation and Exhibition

Report of:
A R Moore
Strategic Director of Regeneration

Contact Officer:

Stuart Waldron, Assistant Director Transportation & Development 0151 934 4006 Stephen Birch, Team Leader STPU 0151 934 4225

This report contains	Yes	No
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of the information from the press		
and public).		
Is the decision on this report		
DELEGATED?		

Purpose of Report

To advise Area Committee of progress in the development of the proposed Thornton to Switch Island Link and to advise the Committee of the public consultation and exhibition planned for February 2010.

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that:

(i) the contents of the report be noted

Corporate Objective Monitoring

Corporate Objective		Positive Impact	<u>Neutral</u> Impact	<u>Negative</u> Impact
1.	Creating a Learning Community			
2.	Creating Safe Communities	\checkmark		
3.	Jobs and Prosperity	\checkmark		
4.	Improving Health and Well-Being	\checkmark		
5.	Environmental Sustainability			
6.	Creating Inclusive Communities	\checkmark		
7.	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy	\checkmark		
8.	Children and Young People		\checkmark	

Financial Implications

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2008/ 2009 £	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date	? Y/N	When?	1	
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Departments consulted in the preparation of this Report

None

List of background papers relied upon in the preparation of this Report

Report to Cabinet of 17th December 2009 – Thornton Switch Island Link Layout Approval and Public Exhibition Proposals

1.0 <u>Background</u>

- 1.1 In September 2008, the Thornton Switch Island Link Road Scheme was granted 'Programme Entry' into the Department for Transport's (DfT) programme of major transport schemes, (ie schemes costing in excess of £5.0m). The purpose of this report is to inform Area Committees of the progress on the scheme since that time and to advise the Committee of a forthcoming public exhibition of the proposals.
- 1.2 Following a detailed tender process, in May 2009, Cabinet approved the award of an Early Contractor Involvement (ECI) contract to design, develop and construct the Thornton Switch Island Link scheme to Balfour Beatty Civil Engineering Ltd. The contract includes Balfour Beatty's partnership with Jacobs as design engineers. In September 2009, Cabinet approved the revised governance arrangements for the scheme and the revised programme and funding profile.
- 1.3 The project team has been developing the design of the scheme in preparation for submitting the planning application in April 2010. This report will provide an overview of the progress of this stage of the project and the activities involved in the next stage of the scheme.

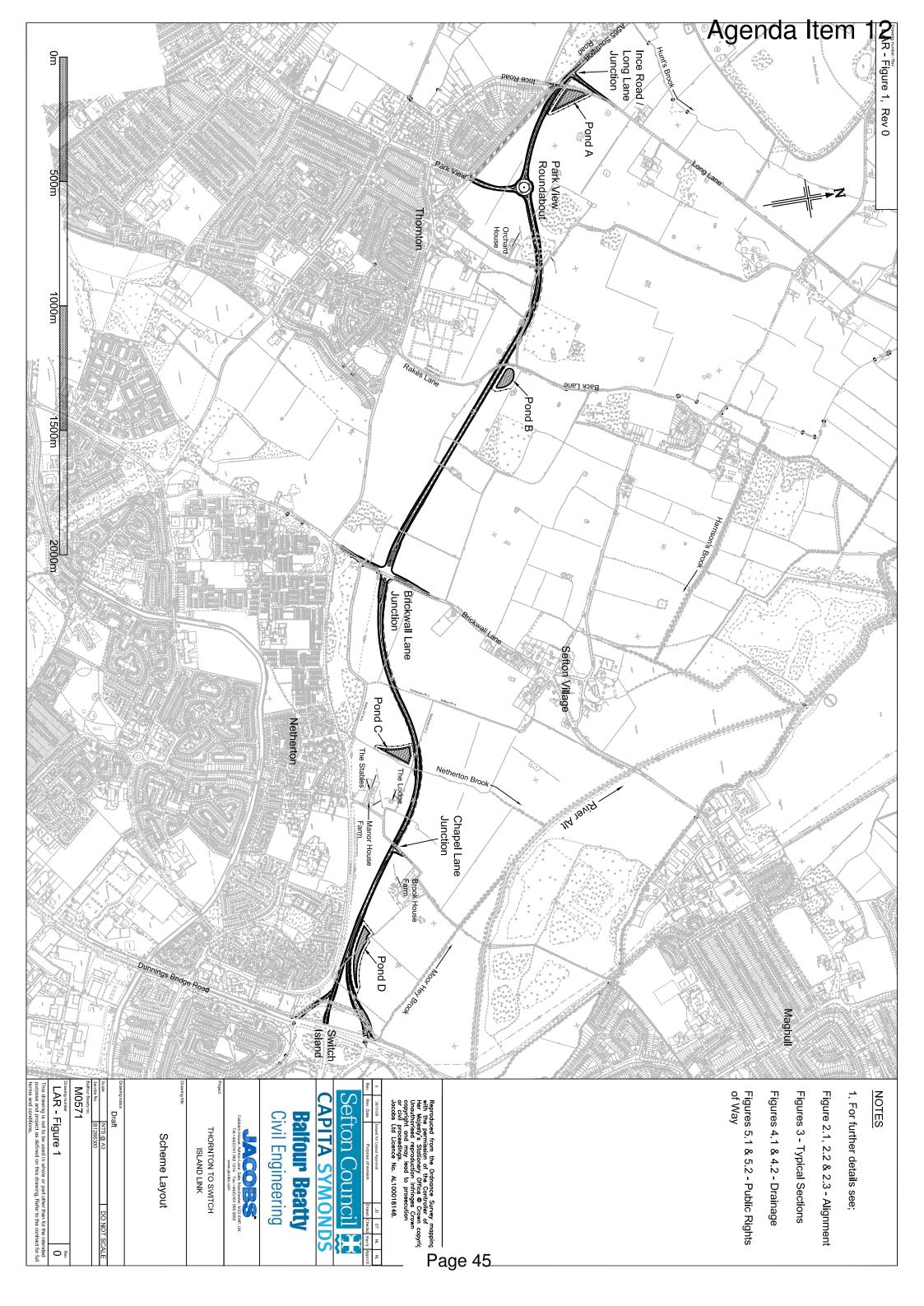
2.0 Scheme progress and public exhibition

- 2.1 Since the appointment of the contractor and their design partner, the Council's project team, which also includes Capita Symonds, has been developing the design of the proposed Thornton to Switch Island Link. A series of additional site surveys was also undertaken in September and October 2009. Discussions have also been held with statutory consultees and key stakeholders and the issues raised have been taken into account in the scheme proposals. The design of the scheme has also taken account of the concerns and comments raised by the public at previous consultations on the scheme. A full environmental assessment of the scheme is being completed and will be submitted with the planning application.
- 2.2 The proposed layout of the scheme was approved by Cabinet on 17th December, including details of the horizontal and vertical alignment of the scheme, drainage systems, provisions for public rights of way and preliminary landscaping and environmental mitigation proposals. The alignment approved by Cabinet is attached as Annex 1.
- 2.3 The planning application for the scheme is proposed to be submitted at the beginning of April 2010. Cabinet approved the proposal to hold a public exhibition of the proposals in advance of the submission of the application. The aim of the exhibition is to inform the public of the scheme details and giving the public a chance to raise any questions and concerns that they may have. It will also enable to project team to identify and assess issues raised by the public and to address those concerns within the planning application where appropriate.

- 2.4 The public exhibitions will take place between 2pm and 8pm at St Frideswyde's Church, Water Street, Thornton, on Tuesday, February 2, and St Benet's Parish Club, Chapel Lane, Netherton, on Wednesday, February 3. Members of the project team from the Council, Capita Symonds, Balfour Beatty and Jacobs will be available to explain the scheme and answer questions. Members will be invited to attend the exhibition and the exhibition will also be publicised as widely as possible in the local area.
- 2.5 In addition to the public exhibitions, it is proposed to offer individual discussions and consultations to the residents most affected by the scheme proposals (i.e. on Chapel Lane, Rothwells Lane and Holgate). Individual discussions will also be offered to the local landowners and farmers who would be affected. Reports will be presented to all the relevant Area Committees and offers will be made to the Parish Councils for one of the project officers to attend their meetings and explain the scheme proposals.
- 2.6 Updates on the scheme proposals and the development of the project are also provided on the scheme website at <u>www.sefton.gov.uk/thorntonlink</u>.

3.0 <u>Conclusion</u>

3.1 The Council has made progress on the proposed Thornton to Switch Island Link and Cabinet has approved a scheme layout that will form the basis of the planning application for the scheme. A public exhibition of the scheme proposals is planned for February in advance of the planning application being submitted.



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REPORT TO:	Cabinet Member – Environmental Sefton East Parishes Area Committee		
DATE:	16 th December 2009 21st January 2010		
SUBJECT:	CONTAMINATED LAND INSPECTION OF FORMER SEFTON MEADOWS LANDFILLS		
WARDS AFFECTED:	Park		
REPORT OF:	Peter Moore Environmental Protection Director		
CONTACT OFFICER:	lain Robbins – Contaminated Land Team Leader 0151 934 4030		
EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL:	No		

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To advise the Cabinet Member - Environmental of progress with the Contaminated Land Inspection at the former Sefton Meadows Landfill.

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Cabinet Member, Environmental, notes the report.

KEY DECISION: No

FORWARD PLAN:

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: N/A

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: N/A

IMPLICATIONS:

Budget/Policy Framework: None.

Financial:

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2006/ 2007 £	2007/ 2008 £	2008/ 2009 £	2009/ 2010 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N		When?	1	1
How will the service be funded post expiry	?			

N/A

Legal:

N/A

Asset	Management:	
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CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

Corporate Objective		Positive Impact	<u>Neutral</u> Impact	<u>Negative</u> Impact
1	Creating a Learning Community		\checkmark	
2	Creating Safe Communities	✓		
3	Jobs and Prosperity		\checkmark	
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	~		
5	Environmental Sustainability	✓		
6	Creating Inclusive Communities		\checkmark	
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy		\checkmark	
8	Children and Young People		\checkmark	

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

- Final Interpretive Report for Potential Special Site No. 26581 Sefton Meadows Landfills Vol 1 dated 22nd February 2008. Jacobs UK Ltd Ref. No. B2112400
- Collation and Assessment of Documentary Information B20(a) report for potential special site No. 26581 – Sefton Meadows Landfill(s) dated November 2005. Environment Agency Groundwater and Contaminated Land Team – Central Area – NW Region. Ref B20(a) 26581
- Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) Circular 01/2006, Environmental Protection Act 1990: Part 2A, Contaminated Land, September 2006
- Record of Determination that land is Contaminated Land, August 2009, Land at Sefton Meadows Landfill Extension 1
- Record of Determination that land is Contaminated Land, August 2009, Land at Sefton Meadows Landfill Extension 2
- Sefton Council Contaminated Land Inspection Strategy (Second Review) June 2001 (Revised September 2006)

Background

- 1. In the report to Sefton East Parishes Area Committee dated 15th September 2005, Members were informed of the contaminated land site investigation works being carried out in relation to the former landfill site at Sefton Meadows and the River Alt. This report is to advise the Cabinet Member Environmental of the progress being made with the inspection at the former Sefton Meadows Landfills.
- 2. The deposit of waste in the area identified as Sefton Meadows Extension 1 (Appendix 1) commenced in 1957 under the responsibility of Liverpool Corporation. In April 1974 Merseyside County Council came into existence and assumed responsibility for the disposal of domestic waste, which was completed in 1975. During the period of deposit of waste little protection was provided for the groundwater or watercourses and upon completion, the site was capped by replacement of the thin soils that had existed prior to disposal of waste.
- 3. The landfill area identified as Sefton Meadows Landfill Extension 2 (Appendix 2), filled between 1975 and 1981, was regulated under the 1974 Control of Pollution Act under the responsibility of Merseyside County Council. Prior to the deposit of waste, the soils which were present on site were excavated and later used as cover when the site was completed. Land drains were also installed at the base of the fill to channel leachate to the foul sewer which received treatment at Hillhouse Wastewater Treatment Works.
- 4. Under the provisions contained within Part IIA of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (EPA 1990), Local Authorities have a duty to inspect their area and identify land that meets the statutory definition of contaminated land. Sefton's approach to dealing with contaminated land is detailed in the Council's Contaminated Land Inspection Strategy published in June 2001 and revised in September 2006.
- 5. As part of the identification of sites requiring further inspection, officers from the Council's Environmental Protection Department have collated information regarding the previous uses of land from historic maps and other records and have formulated a prioritised list of sites that require further inspection.
- 6. Sites have been prioritised based on the **potential** for contaminants to be present which may cause *"significant harm"* and by assessing the proximity and potential linkage of the sites to sensitive receptors. The Contaminated Land Inspection Strategy makes the provision for Sefton Council to vary the priority of investigations based on any information made available which may indicate a potential contamination issue.
- 7. As part of this process the Council's Environmental Protection Department was provided with environmental monitoring data from Merseyside Waste Disposal Authority (MWDA) that indicated that leachate water from the former landfill sites at Sefton Meadows was entering the adjacent watercourses.

- 8. The Environment Agency (EA) subsequently informed the Council that the part of the River Alt that passes through the former landfilled areas is a designated Freshwater Fishery. As such, the quality of the water along this stretch has to comply with the criteria contained in The Surface Waters (Fishlife) (Classification) Regulations 1997.
- 9. The Environmental Protection Department assessed the information supplied by MWDA and the EA relating to soil and groundwater conditions at this site and concluded that there was a reasonable possibility that a significant pollutant linkage may exist. This is due to the impact on the River water quality, caused by Ammonium leachate (formed from the decomposition of waste within the former landfill), seeping into the River Alt.
- 10. In accordance with DEFRA Circular 01/2006, an assessment of the available information indicated that, if the land was determined as being Contaminated Land (as statutorily defined), it would meet the description of land prescribed in the Regulations as being designated a Special Site, for which the EA would become the enforcing authority.

Site Investigations

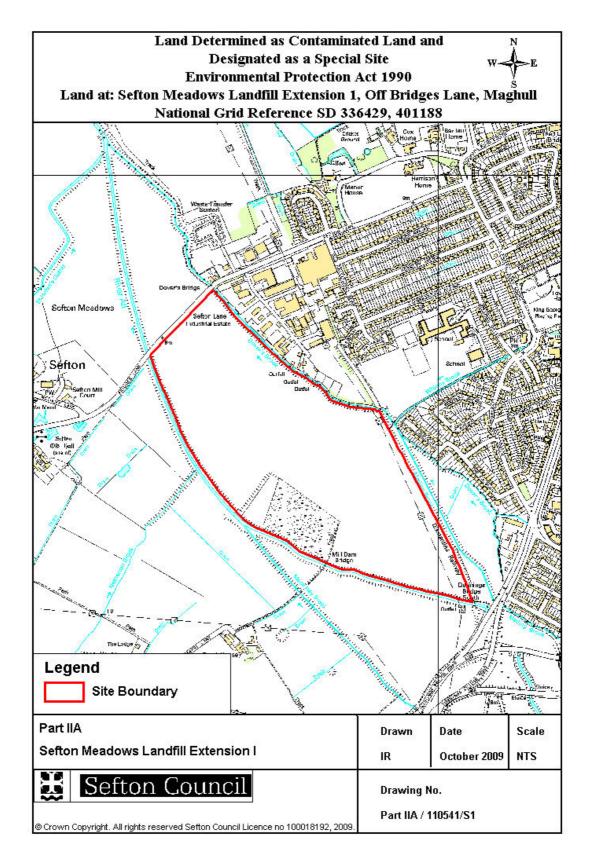
- 11. The EA, on behalf of the Council, undertook an inspection of the former landfills to assess whether contaminants were present at concentrations that may pose a significant risk to human health or controlled waters.
- 12. Following completion of their detailed inspection the EA considered that the areas identified as Sefton Meadows Landfill Extension 1 and Sefton Meadows Landfill Extension 2 met the requirements to be determined as contaminated land sites and designated as Special Sites.
- 13. The contamination has been shown to be affecting controlled waters and their quality, in that the surface waters are not meeting relevant surface water criteria as set out in the Surface Waters (Fishlife) (Classification) Regulations 1997.

Conclusion

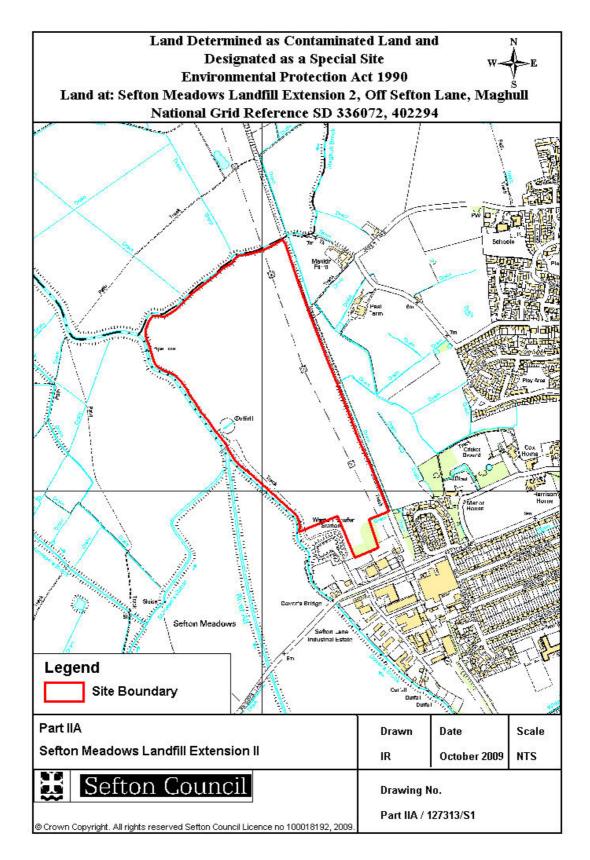
- 14. Officers from the Council's Environmental Protection Department, have reviewed the inspection report prepared by the EA and concur with the findings and recommendations of the report.
- 15. The landfill areas identified as Sefton Meadows Extension 1 and Sefton Meadows Extension 2 were determined as Contaminated Land sites and designated as Special Sites in August 2009 by Sefton Council. The Notices of Determination and Designation were issued to the appropriate persons who have an interest in the sites.
- 16. The EA agreed with the decision to designate the sites as Special Sites and are now the enforcing authority for the two sites.

- 17. As part of the next phase of work the EA have commissioned an environmental consultant to undertake an options appraisal to identify and evaluate different remedial options to improve the water quality.
- 18. The remediation of the landfills is a long-term project requiring co-operation and consultation to ensure that remediation is achieved in a cost effective and practicable way.
- 19. A Sefton Meadows Remediation Forum has been formed consisting of officers from the EA, Sefton Council's Environmental Protection Department and appropriate persons who are liable for remediation, with the intention of identifying appropriate and cost effective remedial measures.
- 20. The EA concluded that two further landfill areas identified as Sefton Meadows East and Sefton Meadows West (Appendix 3) also meet the requirements to be determined as Contaminated Land sites, but recommended that further investigation is required in these areas. Sefton Council is currently consulting with the landowners responsible for Sefton Meadows East and Sefton Meadows West to establish the scope of further works.
- 21. The Cabinet Member Environmental and Sefton East Parishes Area Committee will be updated on works as they progress.
- 22. Officers from the Council's Environmental Protection Department will assist the Environment Agency with risk communication, assessment of risks to human health and liaison with the appropriate persons who have an interest in the sites.

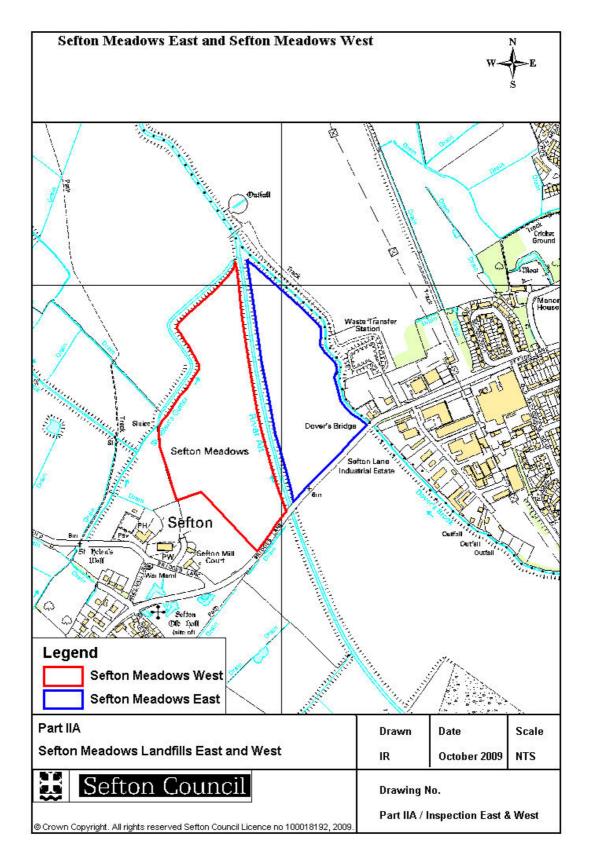
Appendix 1



Appendix 2



Appendix 3



Committee: SEFTON EAST PARISHES AREA COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: 21ST JANUARY 2010

Title of Report: BUDGET MONITORING

<u>Report of</u>: A Wallis Planning and Economic Regeneration Director	This report contains	Yes	No
	CONFIDENTIAL		
	Information/		
<u>Contact Officer</u>: S Prewett Assistant Director - Neighbourhoods (Telephone No.) 0151 934 3485	EXEMPT information by virtue of paragraph(s)of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 (If information <u>is</u> marked exempt, the Public Interest Test must be applied and favour the exclusion of the information from the press and public).		\checkmark
	Is the decision on this report DELEGATED ?	\checkmark	

Purpose of Report

To update Sefton East Parishes Area Committee on available resources for the Area Committee area and progress to date on those items approved at previous meetings.

To request confirmation from the Committee for any proposals made to the Assistant Director – Neighbourhoods for up to \pounds 1,000 contribution from the respective ward budgets as set out in Appendix A or raised at the meeting.

To provide the forum for consideration of formal reports for requests for allocations above \pounds 1,000.

Recommendation(s)

That the Area Committee:

- (i) note the current financial position and the progress to date on items previously agreed
- (ii) agree the requests for under £1,000 set out in Appendix A
- (iii) consider any further requests raised at the meeting for up to £1,000
- (iv) consider any further reports for allocations above £1,000

Corporate Objective Monitoring

Corporate Objective		<u>Positive</u> Impact	<u>Neutral</u> Impact	<u>Negative</u> Impact
1	Creating a Learning Community		✓	
2	Creating Safe Communities	✓		
3	Jobs and Prosperity		✓	
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	✓		
5	Environmental Sustainability	✓		
6	Creating Inclusive Communities	✓		
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy		\checkmark	
8	Children and Young People	\checkmark		

Financial Implications

Any financial proposals contained within this report can be contained within the Area Committee's delegated budgets.

Departments consulted in the preparation of this Report

FD 273 - The Finance and Information Services Director has been consulted and has no comments on this report.

List of background papers relied upon in the preparation of this report

None

1.0 BACKGROUND

1.1 In 2002/03 the Council allocated funds to Area Committees for expenditure on local priorities that would not otherwise be funded from Council budgets. Each Area Committee receives an amount each year and then decides how best to split it across the wards and whether or not to hold a central budget. Sefton East Parishes Area Committee (SEPAC) split the overall budget so that 80% is for the Parish and Town Councils to allocate and 20% for the SEPAC area split equally across the four wards. There is also an amount per ward for litter bins.

2.0 CURRENT POSITION

2.1 Current Budget Position

2.1.1 The following sets out the latest position on the budget and the amounts available to spend in each area, as well as commitments made in this year. As requested the amount for street name plates has been incorporated within the report as a defined amount per ward.

Balance b/f	2009/10 Budget	2009/10 Litterbins	2009/10 Street Signs	2009/10 Available	2009/10 Commitments	Balance Available
£	£	£	£	£	£	£

SEPAC-wide by Ward								
<u>Molyneux</u>	1,047.00	1,767.00	-	-	2,814.00	1,530.67	1,283.33	
<u>Park</u>	589.00	1,767.00	-	-	2,356.00	1,021.67	1,334.33	
Sudell	2,211.00	1,766.00	-	-	3,977.00	3,521.66	455.34	

Parish/Town Councils							
Aintree	-	3,860.00	-	-	3,860.00	3,860.00	-
Lydiate	3,610.00	3,610.00	-	-	7,220.00	-	7,220.00
Maghull	-	12,035.00	-	-	12,035.00	-	12,035.00
Melling	-	1,520.00	-	-	1,520.00	-	1,520.00
Sefton	175.00	175.00	-	-	350.00	-	350.00

Litterbins by Ward								
Molyneux	49.00	-	557.00	-	606.00	606.00	-	
Park	779.00	-	557.00	-	1,336.00	1,140.00	196.00	
Sudell	749.00	-	557.00	-	1,306.00	380.00	926.00	

Street Signs	s by Ward						
Molyneux	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Park	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Sudell	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
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Total	9,209.00	26,500.00	1,671.00	3,000.00	40,380.00	12,060.00	28,320.00

Molyneux Ward

	2009/10 Commitments	Date Approved	Cost £	Action Status
1	Litterbin – Bus stop near Pear Tree Pub, Melling	16/07/09	380.00	Complete
2	Installation of bitmac on the road side verge on Oriel Drive, Aintree Village	16/07/09	1,000.00	
3	Match funding not found amount credited back to ward budget - Installation of bitmac on the road side verge on Oriel Drive, Aintree Village	10/09/09	-1,000.00	Complete
4	2 Litterbins at Altway Shops (outside Library)	12/11/09	760.00	Complete

5	Concrete base for a litterbin to be re-sited from Prescot Road, Melling to outside Natwest Bank, Old Roan shops	12/11/09	50.00	Complete
6	Post mounted bin at Prescot Road, Melling	12/11/09	200.00	Complete
7	Additional street signs	12/11/09	80.00	Ongoing
8	Contribution towards Christmas Lights in Maghull Central Square	12/11/09	666.67	Complete
			2,136.67	

Park Ward

	2009/10 Commitments	Date Approved	Cost £	Action Status
1	Litterbin – Green Lane (bus stop)	21/05/09	380.00	Complete
2	Litterbin – Green Lane (near Leeds-Liverpool Canal)	16/07/09	380.00	Complete
3	Litterbin – Westway (bus stop near Westway Medical Centre)	16/07/09	380.00	Complete
4	'No Through' road sign – Knutsford Walk	12/11/09	200.00	Complete
5	Litterbin at the junction of Meadway and the Trans- Pennine Trail footpath	12/11/09	380.00	Ongoing
6	Contribution towards Christmas Lights in Maghull Central Square	12/11/09	666.67	Complete
7	Additional street signs	12/11/09	155.00	Ongoing
			2,541.67	

Sudell Ward

	2009/10 Commitments	Date Approved	Cost £	Action Status
1	Trees & shrubs on Deyes Lane, Dodds Lane & Damfield Lane	10/09/09	2,000.00	Complete
2	Trees & shrubs on the corner of Damfield Lane (inc £160 for maintenance)	10/09/09	700.00	Complete
3	1 Litterbin at the top of Hunt Road	12/11/09	380.00	Complete
4	Additional Street Signs	12/11/09	155.00	Ongoing
5	Contribution towards Christmas Lights in Maghull Central Square	12/11/09	666.67	Complete
			3,901.67	

Aintree Parish Council

	2009/10 Commitments	Date Approved	Cost £	Action Status
1	Harrow Drive Park Scheme	21/05/09	3,860.00	Ongoing
			3,860.00	

2.1.2 The requests received for agreement at this Area Committee are set out Appendix A to this report.

Recommendations

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Committee report (all) Copied to Finance Payment made Evidence received

Inspection

Y/N Y/N Y/N Appendix A

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		Metro	politan Borough o	f Sefton		
	Requ	uest for a	n Area Committee	Budget Allo	cation	
		Sefton	East Parishes Area	a Committee	•	
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More than £1,000 -	Send to the	ne Strateg he approp	jic Director for the A priate department of			rt to be prepared
Applicant/Organis Description of Pro		Litterbin	to be sited outside t	he shops on	Grosvenor R	oad, Maghull
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I confirm this requ Area Committee b			mitted via me in ac	cordance w	ith the guida	ince notes for
Councillor:- Cou	ncillor C	Mainey	Date:-	23/11/09		
Ward:- Sudell						
Requests for alloc	ation up	to £1,000	:			
I confirm that Seft request.	on East F	Parishes /	Area Committee ha	as sufficient	funds availa	able to meet this
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Signed		D	ate25/11/09			
Strategic Director	/ Assista	nt Direct	or Neighbourhood	s Steph Coro	don	
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Less than £1,000 Estimates included	Y/N Y/N or N/A				Y/N	

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	Metropolitan Borough of Sefton
Re	quest for an Area Committee Budget Allocation
	Sefton East Parishes Area Committee
	PLEASE READ ALL OF THE GUIDANCE NOTES VERLEAF BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM
More than £1,000 - Send to	he Area Committee: £170 the Strategic Director for the Area Committee the appropriate department of the Council for a full report to be prepared a Committee
Applicant/Organisation: Description of Project:	Street Signs: Derwent Close & Poverty Lane
Balance: i.e. the amount i Contact point: Name	requested from Area Committee £170 e: Councillor Connell ess:
I confirm this request has	bhone 1 during office hours 2 out of office hours
l confirm this request has Area Committee budget a	

Councillor:- Councillor Connell

Date:- 24/11/09

Ward:- Sudell

Signed

Requests for allocation up to £1,000:

I confirm that Sefton East Parishes Area Committee has sufficient funds available to meet this request.

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Date.....24/11/09

Strategic Director / Assistant Director Neighbourhoods Steph Cordon

For official use only		Date	Name	Min. N <u>o</u>	Approved
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Less than £1,000	Y/N				Y/N
Estimates included	Y/N or N/A				
Committee report (all)					Y/N
Copied to Finance					
Payment made	Y/N				
Evidence received	Y/N				Y/N
Inspection	Y/N				Y/N

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From:	Robert Monks
To:	Ian Williams
Date:	15/12/09 13:27
Subject:	Bye Laws

Hi Ian

Following the meeting on the 12th Nov, I have since contacted our legal section to look at the possibility of having a bye law provided to ensure dog walkers carry bags .

Unfortunately the legislation we enforce prevents us from doing this.

The Primary legislation for dog fouling is the Clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act [CNA]. The Act provides us with the power to make Dog Control Orders with the Act being quite specific as to the offence(s) a control order may relate to.Currently their is an order in place which has been operational since 2007

The Order we have relates to the "fouling of land by dogs and the removal of dog faeces" - S.55 (3) (a). It does not specify how faeces are to be removed in the order or within legislation.

S. 56(3) of the Act refers to the Regulations that prescribe the content and form of a dog control order, - The Dog Control Orders (Procedures) Regulations 2006 and the Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, ETC) Regulations 2006.

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, ETC) Regulations 2006 confirms the five offences, 1 of which is the failing to remove faeces from land. There is no mention of the carrying (or not) of bags. It is not an offence not to carry a bag.As long as the faeces are removed forthwith, dog walkers can use any method available to them at the time to prevent them committing an offence

S.64 of the Act provides that where an authority has the power to make a bye law in relation to the offences set out in S.55(3) (ie dog fouling) it **may not** make a bye law if it has power to make an Order under the CNA. As stated earlier we already have an order in place therefore this prevents us from looking at creating a bye law.

Our only course of action, as no offence exist for not carrying bags is via educational interventions to encourage dog walkers to be responsible

If you need any further information please let me know.

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Legal & Administrative Department

Town Hall Lord Street Southport PR8 1DA

Date:

Our Ref: Your Ref: 30 November 2009 IAW/SEPAC002

Please contact:Ian WilliamsContact Number:0151-934-2788Fax No:0151 934 2034e-mail:ian.williams @legal.sefton.gov.uk

Dear Parish Cllr Brown

Re: Thank from Sefton East Parishes Area Committee

At the last meeting of the Sefton East Parishes Area Committee, held on 12 November 2009, Members resolved to convey their thanks for the excellent work and dedication of yourself in supporting the Area Committee.

At the meeting, Members noted your resignation as a representative to the Area Committee from the Melling Parish Council, but asked me to write to yourself to express their sincere appreciation and gratitude for your presence and contribution to the Sefton East Parishes Area Committee over your tenure.

The members of the Committee wish you every success and all the best for the future.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ian Williams Committee Administrator On behalf of Sefton East Parishes Area Committee



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Parish Cllr Alan Brown

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