BEACONSFIELD FORUM

| DATE: | 30 November 2011 | |
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| TIME: | 7.00 pm | |
| LOCATION: | Beaconsfield Town Council,Town Hall, Penn Road, Beaconsfield HP9 2PP | |



Please note at 6.30pm there will be an opportunity for Members and Members of the public to discuss local issues with the Local Area Technician and officers from Transport for Buckinghamshire.

AGENDA

| Item | | Page No |
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| 1 | Appointment of Vice-Chairman To agree the appointment of Vice-Chairman following the Town Council elections in May 2011. | |
| 2 | Apologies for Absence | |
| 3 | Declaration of interests To declare any personal or prejudicial interests | |
| 4 | Action Notes of the meeting held on 13 April 2011. | 1 - 4 |
| 5 | Update on Local Priorities budget and decisions on additional bids The Local Priorities budget will be allocated in line with priorities identified in the Forums local area planning process to support local community needs and the well-being of the area. Proposals meeting more than one of the Forums priorities or addressing a wide community need will be prioritised for funding. Officer: Anita Khan | 5 - 10 |
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| 7 | Transport for Buckinghamshire Update Update on the schemes already agreed for this financial year. | 19 - 24 |
| 8 | Date of Next Meeting Thursday 8 March 2012 Wednesday 28 November 2012 | |

Members

Phillip Bastiman, Beaconsfield Town Council

Ken Brown, South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council (West Ward)

Adrian Busby, South Bucks District Council / Bucks County Council

Graham Corney, Beaconsfield Town Council (North Ward)

Graham Davie, Beaconsfield Town Council

Matthew Denyer, Beaconsfield Town Council

Geoff Grover, Beaconsfield Town Council ((West Ward)

Peter Hardy, South Bucks District Council / Bucks County Council

Steve Jones, South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council (South Ward)

Richard Keith, Beaconsfield Town Council (North Ward)

Joy Legg, Beaconsfield Town Council

Jacquetta Lowen-Cooper, South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council (North Ward)

Sheela Mackintosh, Beaconsfield Town Council

Alastair Pike. Beaconsfield Town Council

John Read, Beaconsfield Town Council

Sandy Saunders, Beaconsfield Town Council

Janet Simmonds, South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council (North Ward)

Alan Walters, South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council (North Ward)

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ACTION NOTES

| MEETING: | Beaconsfield Forum | |
|----------|----------------------------------|--|
| DATE: | 13 April 2011 7.00 pm to 7.45 pm | |
| LOCATION | Beaconsfield Town Hall | |

| Present: | Ken Brown (South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council (West Ward)), Adrian Busby (South Bucks District Council / Bucks County Council), Les Davies (Beaconsfield Town Council (West Ward)), Geoff Grover (South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council ((West Ward)), Peter Hardy (South Bucks District Council / Bucks County Council), Richard Keith (Beaconsfield Town Council (North Ward)), Deborah Sanders (Beaconsfield Town Council (West Ward)), Janet Simmonds (South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council (North Ward)), Alan Walters (South Bucks District Council / Beaconsfield Town Council (North Ward)) and Henry Wilson (Beaconsfield Town Council (South Ward)) |
|----------------|--|
| In Attendance: | Rob Anderson, Clare Gray, Saiqa Khan, Margaret Mathie, Mark Preston, Rachael Winfield and Stephen Young |
| Apologies: | Frank Armstrong, Jacquetta Lowen-Cooper and Nico Sacchetti |

| Item | ISSUES RAISED |
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| 1 | DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST |
| | There were no declarations of interest. |
| 2 | ACTION NOTES |
| | The Action Notes of the meeting held on 27 January 2011 were agreed. |
| 3 | QUESTION TIME |
| | A Member queried whether the agenda could be expanded to look at other areas. In response it was noted that Members had agreed that the objective of the Forum was to advise the County Council on how to spend the local area devolved budgets. Any other issues could be raised at the Town Council meeting. |
| | Officers to consider how to publicise this meeting. Action: Stephen Young |
| | A Member asked for clarification on Local Community Partnerships (LCP). In High Wycombe the Forum was referred to as a LCP. Generally in other areas they are called Local Area Forums. |
| 4 | PETITIONS |
| | There were no petitions. |
| 5 | REVISED DELEGATED BUDGET 2011-2012 |
| | Si Khan Transport Localities Team Leader (South) reported that the delegated budget funding for 2011/12 had been increased from £25,141.69 to £50,283.38. This was due to higher than predicted allocations from Government and subsequent approval by full Council for the Transport Capital Programme. A list of schemes was tabled which had been scored according to the criteria |

set out in the Appendix to the report, the highest score first.

The scheme with the highest score was Broad Lane/A40 – construction of a bus bay and a footway for passengers to link to a proposed central pedestrian refuge to assist pedestrians crossing the A40. The cost given for this scheme was approximately £45,000 based on an estimate given by Ringway Jacobs in 2009. This may increase once detailed costing had been undertaken. Si Khan suggested that Members agree a second priority scheme just in case there was any money left over.

Members noted that there was a potential £10,000 Section 106 monies available for this Scheme. This was for a specific minor scheme agreed by the developer which included give way signs and was not included in the £45,000. It was important however, to ensure that there was synergy between the two schemes.

A Member referred to a petition which had been presented to the Town Hall from the residents in Wattleton Road because of the speed of traffic and school children crossing the road. A suggestion had been made to extend the bollards right down the road just below Old Lodge Drive. This would need to be discussed at the next Town Council meeting. Other funding could be used to deal with this, particularly if it was a safety issue.

Members agreed that Broad Lane was a priority and that this should be taken back for further costing. An email would be sent out at the end of May with this information.

Action: Si Khan/Clare Gray

6 LOCAL PRIORITIES BUDGET 2011/12

Stephen Young, Locality Manager presented the report which described the arrangements for the allocation of funding devolved to Forums. He made reference to paragraph 5 of the report which outlined the criteria for the budget and also to paragraph 13 which showed the schemes funded previously.

Reference was made to the extract from the Minutes of the Finance and General Works Committee meeting on 24 March 2011. It was resolved at that meeting that the following category 1 and 2 items be submitted for costing to the Forum.

Category 1

- Provide pump priming funding to maintain the youth service at the Curzon Centre, on a one-off basis
- Re-arrange the football pitches at Wooburn Green Lane Sports Field so that a three-quarter size pitch could be accommodated in the reclaimed area, or two 5 a side pitches if possible.

Category 2

- Improve appearance of Town Hall Green
- Smarten the small garden area Town Hall Drive
- Determine a replacement site for the Garvin Avenue play area.

Stephen Young reported that the Category 1 items would fall under the Strategic Plan for the Town Centre. As the Forum was meeting only twice a year it would be helpful to agree in principle the scheme Members wanted to support.

During discussion the following points were noted:-

 Detailed proposals would need to be drawn up as to how the funding will be specifically used for the Curzon Centre. A question was asked about how this would link in with the current proposals from the County Council. The Council was encouraging the voluntary and community sector to take over the management and provision of community based open access youth activities. One of the areas of support identified in the consultation on youth services was the provision of sufficient transition funding. A Member commented that the County Council were looking at how much money each Committee had in reserve. A Member asked what impact would funding from the Localities Budget have on the transitional funding received? Stephen Young reported that the Local Priorities budget was separate to any pump priming given to Management Committees.

 A proposal was made to share the funding between the two items under Category 1 which was debated. A Member commented that as the business case for the Curzon Centre was still being developed further clarity was required on funding for this area. Meanwhile the other proposal for the football pitches should be developed particularly as it may generate other forms of seed funding.

The Forum agreed that authority should be delegated to the Chairman, in consultation with the Town Council and the Locality Manager to move forward on these proposals as set out above.

7 TFB REPORT - BEACONSFIELD 13 APRIL 2011

Si Khan, Transport Localities Team Leader presented the update report from Transport for Buckinghamshire.

During discussion the following points were noted:-

 Land adjacent 4 Woodside Close Beaconsfield – A Member commented that the previous application had been turned down as there was not sufficient visibility splays and turning. The decision had now changed so that they can now achieve the required visibility splays onto Woodside Road but he was not clear what had made the difference. Si Khan would investigate this issue and report back.

Action: Si Khan

[Post meeting note from Si Khan:-

The applicants obtained a highway boundary plan from Bucks and then put it onto a topographic plan which means that it is extremely accurate. This resulted in the required 'Y' distance splay only being obstructed by boundary vegetation which was overhanging the highway. Maintenance trimmed back this vegetation last year, which I have photos to show, and obviously the Highway Authority has recommended a condition for the visibility which will need to achieved and maintained i.e. the applicants need to ensure the vegetation is regularly trimmed back from overhanging the highway.

The other issue was turning and the applicants have submitted a swept path analysis to show that a panel van can turn, park and manoeuvre within the existing private access drive. Currently a large goods vehicles cannot access the drive and so this is an existing situation so an objection could not be sustained. However, the applicants have provided evidence to show a panel van can turn which satisfies the Highway Authority. Obviously the construction of the dwelling has involved construction traffic but any damage caused is a civil issue with the owners of the private drive.

I should also note that this second application is only for 1 dwelling, whereas the previous application was for 2 dwellings involving double the amount of vehicle movements.]

 With reference to the Service Information Centre, a Member referred to the Highways on Call Scheme where there was a card to report problems which was excellent. They suggested that there should be more publicity for the SIC. Si Khan reported that the SIC had been advertised through the website, through Forums and Parishes. Training was offered to all Parish and Town Clerks.

[Post Meeting Note from Si Khan:-

It's a good idea and one we discussed when we launched the SIC,. We do need to do constant promotion to ensure the SIC is used as a first port of call for everything transport related but sending out a card to each household it the county is extremely expensive which is why we haven't done it yet. I think a card etc would be very useful though and will see if we can get one produced like the old HOC to put into libraries etc. Thank you for the suggestion]

- Any questions about defective street lights etc could be raised at the half hour session before the Forum when the Local Area Technician would be present.
- The Vehicle Activated Signs should be installed in the next couple of months in relation to the delegated budget for 2010/11. There had been some health and safety issues which needed to be resolved.
- A Member asked a question about the lamps in the Old Town which had been sawn off. Si
 Khan referred to the Street Lighting Team Leader (Kevin Allen) who would be getting the
 stumps removed in the next few months. A Member asked whether these would be replaced.
 Si Khan would get a response on this issue.

Action: Si Khan

[Post Meeting Note from Si Khan: Stump has now been removed.]

- A Member referred to the width of Seeleys Road as there was limited space for disabled people, who use it regularly. The Locality Manager commented that this could be prioritised if there were safety issues.
- 18 months ago the speed limit on A40 had been reduced from 50-40mph but there had been
 no budget to implement the speed limit change. This still had not been implemented. Si Khan
 would provide an update. A Member also asked if information could be given on how speed
 data would be recorded and accessed.

[Post Meeting Note from Si Khan:

The A40 speed limit was one of the speed limit review activities deferred as part of budget reductions in previous years.

We gave priority within this reduced budget to making progress with the first round of reviews for Areas 11-14, (where some villages still have the National speed limit), and deferred the A40 limit to the current financial year. (together with the installation of 'follow up' review speed limits for Areas 4,6 & 7).

Area 14 is currently out to public consultation and Areas 12 & 13 are due to have their new speed limits in place this summer. We will then resume work on installing the 'follow up' speed limits which will include the A40 Beaconsfield to Holtspur. This speed limit is now due to be installed by March 2012.]

Action: Si Khan

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 30 November 2011 at 7pm (6.30pm for Local Area Technician enquiries)







Agenda Item 5 Buckinghamshire County Council

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Report to Beaconsfield Forum

Title: LOCAL PRIORITIES BUDGETS

Date: 30th November 2011

Author: Rebecca Carley,

Locality Services Manager

Tel: 01296 383287

Contact officer: Anita Khan, Locality Manager

Tel: 01296 387543

Electoral divisions affected: Beaconsfield

Summary

This paper describes the arrangements for the allocation of the funding devolved to Local Area Forums (LAFs) in 2011/12. The paper aims to give a snapshot of how the budget currently stands.

Local Priorities Budget (£20, 000)

The Forum has allocated all of it's local priorities budget for 2011-2012 on two different projects

1.1 Curzon Centre: The Forum has agreed to fund the Curzon Centre £10, 000 to deliver leadership training to support the youth club to become a more self-sustainable long term. Full bid is attached as an Appendix.





1.2 The Forum agreed to fund the Town Council £10, 000 towards Sports Development, this is to fund the sports recreation field and to part fund the outdoor gym the Town Council is leading on. Still awaiting a full cost breakdown and summary of how funds will be spent.

Local Priorities Recommendation

The Forum is advised to run a full Priorities workshop, inviting key partners and local stakeholders to have their input, this would help to develop the scope of the Forum as well as ensuring partners are engaged and better ensure all funds are spent as effectively as they can be. The workshop would help to identify what the key delivery priorities for the area are; these would provide the guidelines to allocate funds for 2012-13. The workshop could be run in February, allowing enough time for the Forum to allocate funds and deliver projects before April 2013.

LOCAL PRIORITIES PROJECTS Assessment and Contact Form

Before applying for this funding, please email <u>locality-services@buckscc.gov.uk</u> to check how much funding has already been awarded in this financial year for the Local Area you are contacting us about (see pages 6-7 of the accompanying 'The local priorities for each Local Area' booklet for more information on the areas).

This is the first section of a two-part Assessment and Contact Form. If your initial contact (Part A) is assessed and approved to go forward to the Local Area Forum, you will be invited to complete Part B.

PART A

| Contact details | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Name of group/organisation | | The Curzon Centre | | |
| Address of group/organisation | | 43 Maxwell Road Beaconsfield | | |
| | | Postcode | HP9 1TB | |
| Main contact | Barry Moxley | | Position | Chairman of the Management Committee |
| Daytime tel | 01494 672891 | | Evening tel | Day answer phone |
| Email address | info@curzoncentre.or.uk | | Mobile | - |
| If you have any specific communication needs (eg sign language), please tell us whethey are | | | nguage), please tell us what | |
| | | | | |

| Project details | |
|---|--|
| Project title | Young Peoples' Training |
| Local Area See pages 6-7 of accompanying 'The local priorities for each Local Area booklet) | Beaconsfield |
| Project location | The Curzon Centre, Beaconsfield |
| Parishes served by this project | Beaconsfield, although the location of young peoples' homes will not exclude them from attending youth club |
| Description of the project What projects/activities will take place | To train members of senior youth club to become qualified voluntary leaders for Street Dreams, which could lead to becoming qualified paid workers |
| Please list the Local Area | Priority: To stop anti social behaviour |

| priorities met by this project | Priority: To increase youth club numbers |
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| | Priority: For youth to communicate and interact positively with the community |
| | Priority: To give employment opportunities to young people |
| | Priority: |
| Please outline how this project contributes to these priorities If the Local Area Plan has already identified a preferred solution, please address this in your response | By an elder sibling becoming a leader s/he can help prevent younger siblings turning to anti social behaviour, as has been seen in the past. Trained young people can also have a positive effect on their peer group and be good role models for younger people |
| Why is this project being proposed? Does it meet an unfilled community need? How has this need been identified? What difference do you hope this will make? | It is recognised that there is an element of anti social behaviour in the town, which local authorities are struggling to remedy. The community is also keen on 'The Big Society'. With its staff specifically trained to relate to young people, Street Dreams will give dedicated time to outreach work, hopefully bringing the young people to youth club where self esteem, confidence and life skills will be developed and training, as per above, will be available |
| Does this project link with others in the area? Please outline the links with other projects and how the relevant stakeholders are working together | Street Dreams will communicate and work with the Church youth worker, police, schools and other youth organisations in the area. Our Management Committee has already held meetings with the Church |
| How will you know that the project has been successful? How will you evaluate the outcome of the project? | There will be monthly feed back from Street Dreams and the Administrator will be in communication with the police on the matter |
| What measures are being put in place to ensure the long-term sustainability of the project? | The very nature of the project gives sustainability and further costs will be met by fund raising. The Management Committee plans to recruit someone to take on the role as fund raiser |
| How long will the project run? | It is on going with many years anticipated |

| Project costs and contributions | | | |
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| What is the cost of your project? Please give a breakdown on costs. | | | |
| Item or activity Training of young people | Total cost £27,000 | Funding requested from the Local Area Forum | |
| | | £10,000 | |

| Total: | £27,000 | | |
|--|--|---|--|
| If the total cost of the project is higher than the funding request, please tell us where the rest of the funding will come from Including match-funding and other financial contributions from partners | Bucks County Council has a 'pot of money' to provide youth clubs with pump, prime funding. It is envisaged that they will grant the balance of £17,000 to The Curzon Centre For future years funding raising will take place, with some funds already promised | | |
| Is evidence of match- funding supplied? | No evidence | X | Evidence of complete funding levering in financial and in-kind contributions |
| | Evidence of some confirmed funding, but package incomplete | | Provision of business plan addressing funding issues |
| What contribution is being made by other partners and what contribution are you making? This can include financial resources, in-kind support, fundraising, volunteer time, etc. | Apart form Bucks County Council, Beaconsfield town Council and St Mary's Church has offered support. The Centre is used free of charge by the youth club. Any reasonable request for extra funding by the youth club will be met by the Management Committee. Fund raising will take place | | |
| What are the risks to the funding not being spent in the timeframe? Please note that the Local Priorities budget must be allocated and spent in this financial year ending March 2011 | Not envisaged | | |

| About your organisation | |
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| What year was your organisation formed? | Youth work has been taking place on the site for over 60 years. The Curzon Centre Management Committee was formed in 1975 |
| When does your financial year end? | |

Signatures

Signature of main contact

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all the information in this contact form is true and correct. I understand that you may ask for additional

| information at any stage of the application process. This must be the signature of the person named at the beginning of this form and not the same person who signs as second contact below. | | | | | | |
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| Signed | | Date: | | | | |
| Signature of senior contact One of your organisation's bank account signatories | | | | | | |
| Signed | | Date: | | | | |
| Second signatory name | Mr John Brown | | | | | |
| Position/job title | Hon Treasurer | | | | | |
| Contact address | c/o The Curzon centre 43 Maxwell Road Beaconsfield Bucks HP9 1RG | | | | | |
| Email address/telephone number | info@curzoncentre.org.ul | 01494 | 672891 | | | |

Please post this application to:

Heather-Joy Garrett Locality Services G14, County Hall Aylesbury Bucks HP20 1UZ

Email: locality-services@buckscc.gov.uk

Please note:

Please ensure that prior to mailing the application you check the remainder of funding available in this financial year for the relevant Local Area.

Agenda Item 6

Buckinghamshire County Council

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Beaconsfield Forum

Title:

Update report from Transport for Buckinghamshire

Date: 22nd November 2011

Author & Contact officer: Si Khan

Transport Localities Team Leader Wycombe & South Bucks District

Electoral divisions affected: Beaconsfield

Background

In March it was understood that the delegated budget for the Beaconsfield Local Area Forum was increasing and we had an opportunity to consider additional bids.

As a result of this expected increase in funding a decision was taken at April's meeting to retain those schemes which had agreed earlier in the year and to ask for additional schemes to be submitted by 2nd May 2011, for consideration at June's meeting.

Since the 2nd May all of the bids, including any original costs, have been reviewed to make sure the information provided in this document is sufficiently robust. All of the schemes have also been scored, by one person to ensure consistency, in accordance with the bid process. A copy of a blank score sheet will be available at the meeting.

In June a change in cabinet saw the expected increase to the delegated budget reallocated. This means that the available money for the Forum returned to the original sum of £25,141.69 and it was decided that the additional money would go into road resurfacing schemes, to be agreed with each County Councillor individually.





Bids originally approved:

The table below presents the schemes <u>already agreed</u> including revised costs and additional comments. These bids come to a total cost of £13,675.00.

Approved bids

| Scheme | Cost | Score | Comments |
|------------------------|---------|-------|---|
| Broad Lane/A40 Bus | £7,675 | 4.4 | Programmed in for implementation in mid |
| Facilities | | | December 2011. |
| Windsor End – Coloured | £6,000 | 3.2 | Programmed in for implementation early next |
| crossing area | | | year 20112. |
| Total | £13,675 | | |

Decision required by the Local Area Forum

Which additional bids would the Forum like to progress to the sum of £11,466.69.

Additional bids:

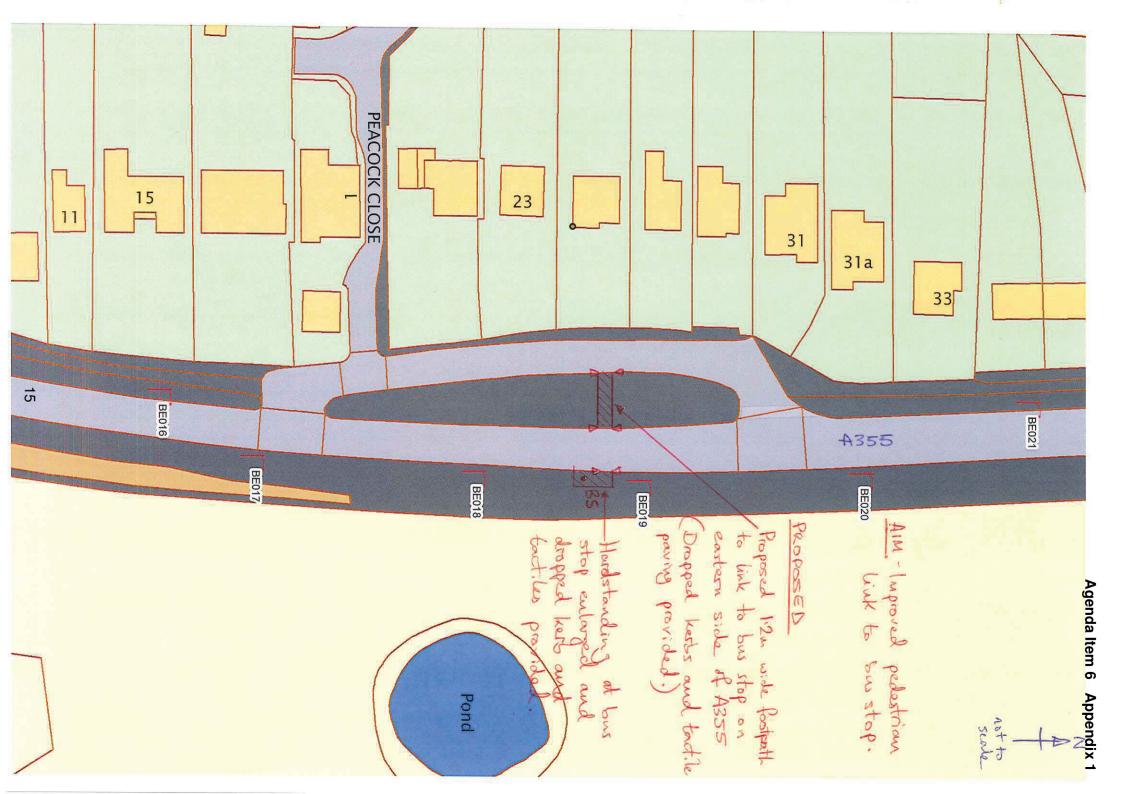
The following table presents the new bids which have come forward and are appropriate for funding. The schemes have been ordered according to their score however this is included for your information and members of the Forum are free to make a decision on which schemes to progress independent of this.

| Scheme | Cost | Comments |
|--|--------|--|
| A355 Bus Stop – footway works | £2,500 | This includes dropped kerbs and tactiles across the A355, an enlarged hardstanding for the bus stop and a 1.2m wide footpath across the grassed island with a dropped kerb to the access road. Also include traffic management and prelims. This option provides the cheapest footpath link from north and south without installing a footpath along the length of the road. If there are problems with using the access road as a pedestrian route, then this may need to be reconsidered. |
| Maxwell Road – Coloured crossing area | £2000 | This scheme was agreed at the last meeting however later it was agreed that this would not be implemented this year due to the road being resurfaced next year. It was agreed to carry this scheme over to next financial years budget 2012/2013. |
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Additional Information:

Not all bids were appropriate to take forward. The following table includes an explanation for those bids which were not appropriate.

| Scheme | Reason |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Speed Limit Changes already approved | The cost for each individual location is £7,200, however please note these are upper estimates and we will always seek to reduce costs. Having said this, on this occasion the cost could exceed the amount quoted due to a large direction sign which may need to be relocated/ renewed at the western end, which could be expensive, and as the A40 has street lighting this could significantly affect signing costs if electrical connection/disconnection is involved for the terminal signs at the High Wycombe end of this limit. Therefore, my recommendation would be that if the TC would like to progress this scheme via the delegated budget, this is submitted as a bid for next years funding, 2012/2013 and this will allow my colleague to firm up the cost for this particular scheme. I would not recommend this scheme to be submitted this year as we do not have the capacity to deliver the scheme, if approved at the November meeting, before the end of 31/3/2012, due to the late submission. |
| | |



EXTRA PARKING IN BEACONSFIELD OLD TOWN

Much work has been done to determine the way forward in terms of a solution to the issues of parking in Beaconsfield Old Town; but there has been no clear solution to this problem. The only agreement is that more car parking facilities are required and the inconsiderate parking of cars on pedestrian footpaths should be stopped. The problems would not be solved if the issue of common land were overcome and civil parking enforcement introduced. Why? The parking would be regularised causing fewer parking spaces to be available and hence more frustration for people visiting the Old Town. To ease the present situation two main courses of action could be taken:-

Extra parking could be realised on the south side of the A40 at Wycombe End (see shaded hatched area on Diagram 1). This area could be used to park about 20 cars or more depending on the layout etc., together with an adequate footpath for pedestrians. There is already parking on the north side of the A40. Transport for Buckinghamshire, Sean Rooney (Compliance Manager) has no objection to this proposal.

Bollards could be placed at strategic points to stop cars parking on the pedestrian footpaths and hence providing safer areas to walk.

It is recommended Could this proposal should be discussed at the next Community Safety Committee Meeting with a view to go out for further consultation and be included for consideration at the next Beaconsfield Forum meeting to determine viability and costs.

Cllr Ken Brown



Diagram 1 – Proposed Parking area, shown hatched, on the south side of the A40

Agenda Item 7

Buckinghamshire County Council

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Beaconsfield Forum

Title:

Update report from Transport for Buckinghamshire

Date: 15th November 2011

Author & Contact officer: Si Khan

Transport Localities Team Leader Wycombe & South Bucks District

Electoral divisions affected: Beaconsfield

Summary

- 1. From 2010 this standard report will be issued to each Local Area Forum (LAF) / Local Community Partnership (LCP) from Transport for Buckinghamshire.
- 2. It will aim to provide a comprehensive update on current and relevant Transportation issues which are tailored to each individual LAF / LCP/ Forum.
- 3. Standard topics to be covered will be:
 - Dates of when Local Community Gangs will visit parishes
 - Major issues likely to affect parishes within the LAF / LCP/Forum
 - Update on ongoing local issues
 - Policy Development
 - Any other information
- 4. In addition, it will cover any emerging issues which could or will affect Local Area Forum / Local Community Partnership areas.





AREA MAINTENANCE

Community and Road Fixer Gangs

Community Gang Dates are week commencing:-28th November 2011 5th December 2011 2nd January 2012

Road Fixer Dates are week commencing:-14th – 25th November 2011 6th – 17th February 2012

The above programmes are dependant upon the weather conditions, as in the previous two winters, these works have been suspended and the resources diverted onto potholing operations.

A full list of when work will be taking place is available on: http://www.transportforbucks.net/Roadworks-Centre.aspx

Winter

As the winter season approaches, salt bins and heaps have been replenished during October, salting equipment has been checked and calibrated, and salt stocks brought up to operational levels, approx 10,500 tonnes across the county. The number of potholes has been reducing over the last few months following the reasonably dry weather; however the number of defects is likely to increase from now through the winter months. Any problems should be addressed to your local area technician or Contact Centre.

We're Working On It (Design & Construction/Area Maintenance)

As part of the We're Working On It capital works programme County Councillors have identified their Top 5 priority sites as have your Local Area Technicians.

Transport for Buckinghamshire's engineers have then been out to visit and assess each site to confirm both the extent of the works required as well as the most appropriate carriageway treatment, with the intention of extending the life of the road by at least 7 years.

The following explains the various types of treatment available.

Surfacing: Replacement of the existing road surface

<u>Slurry Seal</u>: A form of surfacing that smooths out minor imperfections and gives a clean road finish

<u>Plane & Patch</u>: This involves planing out sections of road and replacing with a new surface

<u>Surface Dressing</u>: Spraying the road with hot bitumen and then covering with stone chippings

Please note that the treatments noted above are weather dependant and whilst we have provided an anticipated start date these may change.

The table below shows the current list of streets, sections of which are expected to receive one of the treatments (noted above), over the next two years.

| Carriageway Works – Beaconsfield LAF | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Street Name | Town | Treatment Type | Anticipated Start Date | | | |
| Ledborough Lane | Beaconsfield | Surfacing | Completed | | | |
| Maxwell Road | Beaconsfield | Slurry Seal | Proposed 2012-2013 | | | |
| Warwick Road | Beaconsfield | Surfacing | Completed | | | |
| Chesterton Green | Beaconsfield | Surfacing | Proposed 2012-2013 | | | |
| Station Road | Beaconsfield | Surfacing | Proposed 2012-2013 | | | |
| Reynolds Road | Beaconsfield | Plane & Patch | Completed | | | |
| Park Lane J/w London End | Beaconsfield | To Be Confirmed | Proposed 2012-2013 | | | |

Traffic Management

Nothing to Report

Road Safety

DEALING WITH SPEEDING TRAFFIC

If you send out letters to the public re speeding issues, as from the 1st April 2011 the Thames Valley Safer Roads Partnership (TVSRP) ceases to exist, therefore concerns regarding "dealing with speeding traffic" where the public request police enforcement have been altered, below are the new e-mail & postal details to use.

Thames Valley Police are responsible for all matters concerning enforcement of traffic laws. However, requests from the public about speeding are considered for enforcement, either by Police presence/speed checks or mobile camera enforcement through a "dealing with speeding traffic" scheme.

A request for this enforcement can be made by contacting the Thames Valley Police either by email at:

SpeedSolutions@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk or by post to:

Speed Solutions Thames Valley Police Roads Policing Three Mile Cross 270 Whitley Wood Road Reading Berkshire

RG2 8FT

Following a request a decision would be taken by the Police, who would contact you direct.

Community Speedwatch

To raise awareness of Community Speedwatch across Buckinghamshire, the road safety team are planning a programme to work with local communities to deliver the scheme, as vehicles being driven too fast are a major factor in preventing people from enjoying the environment they have chosen to live in.

The idea is to liaise with local communities and attend locations on set days and times and run community speedwatch in your area.

The road safety team will have a set of speedwatch equipment for use free of charge to work in partnership with community volunteers, e.g. a member of the road safety team will operate the equipment with a member of the local community at a location known for a speeding problem. Using local knowledge will allow community speedwatch to be used most efficiently in a pro-active manner.

If you are interested in working with the road safety team to run speedwatch in your local community please contact Nigel Spencer by e-mail on nspencer@buckscc.gov.uk

For more information about Community Speedwatch visit: http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/bcc/transport/speedwatch.page

Road Safety Team services to the local community:

SAGE – Safer driving with Age; for motorists over 65 years of age who would like a confidence boost. Our team of qualified instructors offer an hour's assessment.

Be a Better Biker – assessment days for motorcyclists. Just bought a bike or advancing to a more powerful engine? Our team of instructors will help you make the most of biking.

Get in Gear young driver's course – theory workshops and on the road training. Essential advanced motoring skills for newly qualified drivers.

Business Driver Assessments – 2 hour on the road assessments for employees who drive vans, minibuses or cars for work. Includes a DVLA licence check and full report.

Winter Driving Workshops – Get together a group of friends or employees to host your own in house workshop and vehicle safety check or register your interest to attend one of our evening workshops in November.

The five courses, above, are heavily subsidised and are provided at various locations around the county. Individual driver training is provided from any location within Bucks.

For further details please contact 01296 382450 or email roadsafety@buckscc.gov.uk

Passenger Transport

The 2011 editions of the **"Guide to bus services"** are now available. There are two editions this year: North Buckinghamshire and South Buckinghamshire containing full details of all bus services in the County.

These are available from Council Offices, Libraries and many other outlets, or from the Passenger Transport team (call 0845 230 2882). Books are free for Buckinghamshire residents.

Changes to Bus Services

<u>Service 580:</u> This commuter service will be **renumbered 577** and will be revised to meet the new Chiltern Railways timetable to be implemented from 5th September, which sees reduced journey times to/from Marylebone.

<u>Service 305:</u> This service will be **renumbered 580** with the withdrawal of the final journey to and from Gerrards Cross Monday to Friday.

Details of all of these timetables can be found at: www.buckscc.gov.uk by clicking on the link for "Buses and Trains" or by calling Traveline on 0871 200 22 33.

Asset Management - Structures

Nothing to report

Asset Management – Street Lighting

SWITCHING OFF STREET LIGHTS TO SAVE ENERGY TRIAL END:

Decisions on the future of 37 of the Switch Off Sites were submitted for public consultation on 17/10/2011. Transport for Bucks welcome all feedback associated with these sites and request that comments are submitted via the following link: http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/sites/bcc/about_your_council/Have_your_say.page

For the remaining sites Transport for Buckinghamshire has been, and is continuing to conduct, thorough investigations of the associated site data and customer feedback.

From these investigations, recommendations are being developed to provide what actions would be best for each of the sites progressing into the future.

These recommendations will be reviewed by the Cabinet Member prior to a supplementary consultation which is anticipated to commence from early in the New Year.

In addition to this it has been decided to switch back on the following five sites:

A413 Amersham Road (from Kingsway RAB to Rail Bridge)

A40 Studley Green

A413 Wendover Bypass @ Nash Lee Road Roundabout

A413 Wendover Bypass @ South Street Roundabout

A421 Radclive Roundabout

These switch ons are intended to be conducted in a phased approach, whereby as many of the street lights will be reactivated as soon as possible, where deemed safe to do so. A follow-up visit to rectify any outages and / or further repair works that maybe necessary will be conducted as soon as practicable.

More information about the trial, including two interim reports, can be viewed at: http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/bcc/transport/streetlights energy.page

Delegated Budget 2011/12

See Delegated Budget report