

Crawley County Local Committee

27 June 2019 – At a meeting of the Committee at 7.00 pm held at Longley Room, Crawley Library, Southgate Avenue, Crawley, RH10 6HG.

Present:

Mrs Smith (Chairman) (Langley Green & Ifield East;), Mr Burrett (Pound Hill;), Mr Crow (Tilgate & Furnace Green;), Mr Jones (Southgate & Gossops Green;), Mr Lanzer (Maidenbower & Worth;), Mr Oxlade (Bewbush & Ifield West;), Mr Petts (Three Bridges;), Mr Quinn (Broadfield;) and Ms Sudan (Northgate & West Green;)

1. Welcome and introductions

1.1 The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked Members and Officers to introduce themselves.

2. Appointments

2.1 RESOLVED that Brenda Smith be appointed as Chairman for the Crawley County Local Committee for the year 2019/20.

and

Richard Burrett be appointed as Vice Chairman to the Crawley County Local Committee for the year 2019/20

2.2 The Chairman welcomed Karen Sudan to the meeting as the newly elected members for the Northgate and West Green division.

3. Declarations of Interest

3.1 Karen Sudan declared a personal interest in respect to item 9.

4. Minutes

4.1 RESOLVED that the Minutes of the last meeting held on 26 February 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5. Urgent Matters

5.1 Items not on the agenda that the Chairman of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances. There were none.

6. Progress Statement

6.1 The Chairman advised members that the progress statement could be found on page 9 of the agenda papers and invited the Area Highways

Manager to make introduce the item and make comments.

6.2 In response to a question from the Committee it was advised that Community Highways Schemes can be considered for two years following the receipt of the application. If they are not approved within the two years they must be resubmitted in order to be considered.

6.3 The Committee thanked Officers for the update.

7. Crawley Growth Programme Update

7.1 The Chairman incited the Area Highways Manager to introduce the item.

7.2 The Committee received an update on the Growth Programme and requested a presentation on the matter be delivered at the next meeting.

8. Community Initiative Fund - Microfund

8.1 The Committee noted the decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Safer, Stronger communities regarding the introduction of the CIF Microfund.

9. Crawley Community Initiative Funding (C01(19/20))

9.1 The Committee considered Community Initiative Funding Applications that had be received via the West Sussex Crowd, as set out in Appendix A of the report as well as any applications that had been received through the newly introduced Microfund.

9.2 The Committee considered each application individually on it's merits and it was RESOLVED that the following pledges be approved

355/C – Special Support Centre Parents and Friends Association, Sensory Garden, up to £1365 – towards the cost of a replacement water feature, bubble machine and resin gravel.

362/C – Arctic Handball Club, Bring Handball On, up to £1581.50 – Toward purchasing tracksuits and portable goals

372/C – Langley Green Primary School PTA, Outdoor Learning Shelter/Gym, up to £3320 – toward purchasing and installing an outdoor gym and wooden shelter.

373/C – Rivers LPC, PRESENCE, up to £1889 – towards purchasing sewing and IT equipment for the launch of a women's resource centre

382/C – Emerald Sports & Social Club, ESCC Infrastructure Development Programme, up to £3135 – towards the preparation and installation of new floodlighting at a multi-purpose sports training facility.

10. Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies

10.1 The Committee noted that there were no Nominations for approval and asked members of the public to express interest if they wished to take up the role of school governor. The Chairman requested that Local Members for vacancies be more proactive in signposting candidates for the Governing Body to the appropriate service.

11. **Talk With Us Open Forum**

11.1 The Chairman invited Members of the public to ask questions of the committee. In response to these questions the following information was provided:

11.2 A traffic regulation order relating to Ifield had been included on page 9 of the agenda and a Seminar on the matter would be taking place on the 3 July. Crawley Borough Council Members had been invited.

11.3 If Community Highways Schemes score high enough when the scoring criteria is applied they will all be progressed and delivered. If a CHS is not progressed it is because it doesn't score highly enough. This is not the same for Traffic Regulation Orders.

11.4 Complaints received from the public regarding highways matters do not change the scoring of individual TROs with the scoring matrix, however if there are serious health and safety issues then repair works will be carried out to rectify them.

11.5 Climate Change matters were for Central Government and the CLC had no power over climate change policies.

12. **Round table discussion**

12.1 The Chairman led a round table discussion on potential changes to CLCs generally, to feed into the ongoing CLC review requested by the Governance Committee.

12.2 The Committee agreed that the Crawley CLC was fit for purpose, covered the correct area, met frequently enough and discussed appropriate matters.

13. **Date of Next Meeting**

13.1 It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Crawley CLC would take place on the 21 November 2019.

Chairman

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm