

Meeting minutes from Wednesday 13 September 2023

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Meeting title

London Road Active Travel Stakeholder Group meeting

Meeting location

Burpham Church, New Inn Lane, Guildford 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Attendees

Chair of meeting, Surrey County Council, Consultation Institute, Councillors, Guildford Borough Council, G-Bug cycling group, George Abbot School, and Year 13 pupil. Clock House Retirement Home, Boxgrove Park Residents Association, London Road Action Group (LRAG), Guildford Residents Association,

Absent/apologies:

Surrey Chamber of Commerce, Surrey Youth Parliament, Surrey Climate Commission, Stagecoach Bus company, Guildford High School, Surrey Coalition of Disabled People – (attending online – SCC laptop error)

Discussion points

Welcome and Introductions

Chair opened the meeting – thanked everyone for attending.

All attendees introduced themselves and who they are representing.

Purpose of meeting to discuss Minutes from the 26 July meeting, Presentation of Design, Presentation of Traffic Management and a discussion of Survey Questions

Agenda Reference 1

Minutes from Previous meeting

Initial questions on Plans

Boxgrove Park Residents Association felt minutes from 26 July had too many personal comments and the group should stay focused on the meeting.

LRAG advised minutes on the website from the 26 July are not the correct version.

Agenda Reference 2

Discussion and feedback from Survey

The group had a detailed discussion about the nature and type of questions proposed, with some feeling that they were too many questions about policy and not enough about the scheme.

It was clarified that the themes of the survey were taken from the themes from the Miro board.

Too much demographic material at end of survey, could this be a slimmed down version Surrey County Council will provide guidance as to how much demographic information needs to be asked.

Postal surveys if requested. All information will be available at drop in sessions.

Length of survey is critical – main points should cover – practical convenience when works take place, safety impact, Environmental impact.

Possibility of shorter survey with less detail/core set or longer more detailed survey.

Action for agenda point 2

Consultation Institute to look at all points raised as feedback.

Agenda Reference 3

Presentation of Design

There were a number of suggestions on how to improve the presentation of the data to make the information more legible.

Surrey County Council confirmed we are providing animation of the proposed scheme.

Surrey County Council confirmed that cross sections will be available at Drop-in sessions and website.

Raised tables/continuous pavements are all shown on plans but not obvious.

Action for agenda point 3

Surrey County Council ongoing action

Agenda Reference 4

Presentation of Traffic Management

Traffic analysis will be at drop-in sessions on display boards.

Concerns of night noise. Nightwork hours are 8pm-5am. Emphasis noisy work to stop at 11pm. Will all the work be completed in proposed time frames if noisy work has to finish at 11pm at night. Any complaints will be responded to.

Guildford Borough Council, plans have not been shown to Environmental Health but the start and finish times have been passed on.

The Clockhouse raised concerns due to number of residents and nightwork. Surrey County Council to have a separate conversation with them.

Standard practice residents will have access when safe to do so. Residents need to be made aware to speak to the gatesperson on each entrance point of works to discuss access. Once it is safe for person to have access this will be granted.

Diversion routes need to be advised.

Action for agenda reference 4

Surrey County Council ongoing action

Agenda Reference 5

Any other business

How will Drop-in sessions be managed?

There will be technical and design staff, other staff members to take feedback and answer less technical questions. Hard copy surveys to take away. Plans displayed. Animations.

Final meeting

Wednesday 13 September was the final Stakeholder Group Meeting. Chair thanked all those who have attended throughout the process for their feedback and input.