



FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Supplementary Agenda Council

Time and date

Thursday 15th December, 2022 at 7.00 pm

Place

Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall, South Street, Farnham

3 Minutes (Pages 3 - 10)

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Farnham Town Council meeting held on October 20th at Appendix A.

8 Working Group and Panel Notes (Pages 11 - 16)

To receive the notes and any recommendations of the following Working Groups:

- i) Strategy and Finance held on 8th December 2022 **Appendix B**
- ii) Farnham Infrastructure Programme – observations for the Board **Appendix Bi**

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FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

A Minutes Council

Time and date

7.00 pm on Thursday 20th October, 2022

Place

Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall

Councillors

Councillor Alan Earwaker (Mayor)
Councillor David Attfield
Councillor David Beaman
Councillor Carole Cockburn
Councillor Sally Dickson
Councillor Pat Evans
Councillor John "Scotty" Fraser
Councillor George Hesse
Councillor Andy MacLeod
Councillor Michaela Martin
Councillor Mark Merryweather
Councillor Kika Mirylees
Councillor John Neale
Councillor John Ward

Apologies for absence

Cllrs Michaela Wicks, Roger Blishen and Paula Dunsmore

Officers Present:

Iain Lynch (Town Clerk), Iain McCready (Business and Facilities Manager), Rachel Aves./

There were 3 members of the public and 1 member of the press in attendance.

Prior to the meeting, prayers were led by Revd Jacqueline Drake-Smith of St Peter's Church, Wrecclesham.

C53/20 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Blishen, Dunsmore and Wicks.

C54/20 **Disclosures of Interest**

There were no disclosures of interest other than those of double and triple-hatted councillors.

C55/20 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Farnham Town Council meeting held on 4th August 2022 at Appendix A where agreed.

The meeting scheduled for September had been cancelled in view of the mourning period following the death of the Monarch.

C56/20 **Questions and Statements by the Public**

There were no questions or statements from the public.

C57/20 **Town Mayor's Announcements**

The Town Mayor was pleased to announce the success of Farnham in Bloom, where the Town Council had won Gold at the Britain in Bloom finals for the third successive entry. He said this was a testament to the hard work of the staff, volunteers, sponsors and councillors and congratulated everyone involved. He also noted that only four of the eight towns in the Large Town category had won gold and said he was incredibly proud.

The last month had been busy following the death of Her Majesty the Queen and the proclamation of the King. The Mayor advised that condolences had been sent to the Royal Family from the Town Council and that the Books of Remembrance were being sent to the Surrey history Centre.

The Mayor advised that tickets were still available for the annual Venison Dinner on 10 November.

It was noted that Remembrance Sunday would be on 13 November; the procession would take place from Castle Street to Gostrey Meadow and there would be no civic church service with the whole Remembrance at the War Memorial

The Mayor said that he had commissioned Susie Lidstone to provide the artwork for his annual Christmas card and Susie joined him to present the drawing she had produced, which showed St Andrew's Church and school with a family approaching the entrance, illustrating Farnham as a welcoming place for everyone.

C58/20 **Questions by Members**

There were no questions from Members.

C59/20 **Working Group Notes**

i) Tourism and Events held on 12th October 2022 Appendix B

Cllr Mirylees introduced the meetings of the Tourism and Events meeting that took place on 12th October at Appendix B to the agenda.

The *Discover Farnham* app commissioned through the Welcome Back fund was live and officers had met with Simon Aeppli of the University for the Creative Arts who designed a Ghost Trail for the app, which flags all the history in Farnham. This was being launched on 29 October and other trails already installed include trees, and craft.

Cllr Mirylees also mentioned that lots of arts and crafts information for Craft month and World Craft Town was available through the site www.farnhamcrafttown.com.

It was noted that the Literary Festival in 2023 was going ahead but the Gin Festival 2022 had been cancelled as it was due to take place during the period of National Mourning for the Queen.

Cllr Mirylees concluded by advising that in 2023, there were plans for a Festival of Light as part of Craft Month and Christmas events.

Cllr Merryweather spoke about Pierrepont Farm brewery, which is outside of Farnham but very close by and of interest to the town, and the cancelling of the lease by the Countryside Regeneration Trust in favour of another new brewery. He proposed a motion that the Town Council express concern and offer support to Frensham Parish Council to ensure a positive outcome for the existing brewery who had done so much to create a successful business on site. The proposal was **SECONDED** by Cllr Cockburn.

It was RESOLVED *nem con* to express concern and offer support to Frensham Parish Council to ensure a positive outcome for Craft Brews at Pierrepont Farm.

ii) Strategy and Finance held on 14th October 2022

Cllr Evans introduced the notes of the Strategy and Finance Working Group notes from 14th October at Appendix C to the agenda.

- a) The Finance Report had been discussed in detail. Cllr Evans recommended the unqualified external audit for 2021/22 for approval by Council.

It was RESOLVED *unanimously* to welcome the External Auditor's 2021/22 report.

- b) Council considered the detail of the latest Trial Balance and Budget Comparisons, the current reserves level, and the Income and Expenditure to 30th September by both account code and Committee which were on target for this time of year despite the cancellation of the Gin Festival as a result of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. Cllr Evans explained that the Strategy and Finance Working Group had agreed to review the Christmas Light contract in 2023 and an increased provision for energy costs would be made in the coming budget as a result of the challenges being faced.

The Statement of Investments was noted, as was the discussion at Strategy and Finance regarding the fact that HSBC was no longer offering a relationship manager and that a banking review would be undertaken.

The Aged Debtors list had been reviewed with potentially three invoices totalling £350 which may need to be written down. Council was reminded the BACS and payment files were available for inspection by councillors. It was noted that the Council's financial software (Rialtas Business Systems) had been bought by Harris Computer Incorporation and there were no expected difficulties as a result of the change.

Cllr Evans congratulated officers on the way they handle the financial affairs.

- c) The Strategy and Finance Working Group had reviewed a grant application from 40 Degreez to support youth outreach work.

It was RESOLVED *nem con* that a grant of £2,500 be provided for the two roles in the application and that this be reviewed after 6 months.

It was noted a grant of £500 had been agreed at the September meeting for the Pilgrim Marathon that took place in September

- d) The Town Clerk added that there were some financial recommendations to take from the September meeting.
It was RESOLVED *nem con* that:
- i) **Standing Orders (contracts) be waived for specialist tree work in West Street Cemetery by Cedardale at a cost of £3,885;**
 - ii) **A tree carver be commissioned to create a suitable carving on the remaining part of the tree; and**
 - iii) **A budget of £10,000 be agreed to undertake urgent works to trees following the tree survey with the final decision on contractors delegated to the Town Clerk once the final quotation had been received.**
- e) Cllr Beaman provided an update on the Farnham Infrastructure Programme, confirming that the Town Council's submission had been sent to Surrey CC as agreed at the last Council. Council was disappointed to note that the Board had not met since June and that the latest meeting had been deferred until December 16th.
- f) Co-option of Councillor for Wrecclesham and Rowledge
Council considered the arrangements for the co-option of a councillor following the resignation of Cllr Edmonds and **RESOLVED *nem con* to endorse the process outlined.**
- g) Infrastructure Planning Group
It was noted that Locality had not yet responded to further enquiries regarding the Neighbourhood Plan and that a positive meeting had taken place between the Town Council and Waverley officers regarding the Design Statement and the Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr Cockburn said that some progress had been made on the review of the Neighbourhood Plan, including reviewing other Neighbourhood Plans such as Brixworth which was updated without a referendum.

Council noted Waverley Borough Council had now sent a new set of amendments to the Farnham Design Statement (more than 8 months since the update had been sent to them). The changes were minor and would be updated speedily.
- h) Cllr Beaman emphasised that the comments had been received following the positive meeting the Town Clerk had described and that a follow up meeting was being arranged with the Joint Head of Waverley and Guildford, at which the Neighbourhood Plan would also be discussed.

Young people Task Group
- i) Since the meeting of the Strategy and Finance Working Group, the Young People Task Group had met. Cllr Mirylees updated that the youth leader from Godalming had attended to update on their work where he had been doing brilliant work with young people. It was noted that this youth worker would be visiting 40 Degreez to

provide some guidance and had offered a visit to Godalming to see the work happening there.

The Town Clerk paid credit to Godalming Town Council for their evolving youth work and noted that they had a three-year project which had seen an agreed increase in precept of £10 per band D to facilitate this work. It was noted that youth work in Farnham would be discussed at the upcoming Strategy Day.

j) Riverside Sculpture Task Group

Cllr Cockburn said she had visited the community engagement event the previous week and that it had been very popular.

k) Museum Task Group

The minutes of the last meeting were noted, as was the submission by Waverley of an application to the MEND scheme, a decision for which was expected in March 2023. The FTC pledge included an earmarked reserve of £15,000 for fitting out the inside of the museum after the MEND project was concluded.

l) HR Panel

The Town Clerk had commission the agreed grading review and once completed this would be considered by the HR Panel.

m) Coronation Task Group

Council noted the Coronation of King Charles III would take place on 6th May 2023 **It was RESOLVED *nem con* Group to create a Coronation Task Group, consisting of 5 members from Strategy and Finance and Tourism and Events, Cllrs Mirylees, Hesse, Cockburn, Evans and Martin.** It was noted that the Task Group would report to the Strategy and Finance Working Group.

Cllr Evans advised that the Farnham Society had written to the Town Council offering to purchase a beacon brazier for such ceremonial and civic events, ideally one that would be locally manufactured.

n) Contracts and Assets

Council noted the West Street Cemetery gates were to be completed in early November and the new Town Hall boiler had been installed. Council also noted the Council had experienced some significant IT issues as a result of the failure of an uninterruptable powers supply following a power surge and options for improved resilience were being investigated.

o) **Civility & Respect Pledge**

Following the adoption of the new Code of Conduct, Council considered the proposal to adopt the new Civility & Respect Pledge which had been developed by the National Association of Local Councils and the Society of Local Council Clerks. There was concern that the pledge may stifle debate or humour in the chamber but the Town Clerk advised it reinforced the principles already in the FTC councillor staff policies and was a positive statement of the commitment of the Council **It was RESOLVED *unanimously* that the Civility & Respect pledge be signed and adopted.**

p) Council **RESOLVED *nem con* that Peter Greenyer and Mrs Emily Joyce (current treasurer) be appointed by Farnham Town Council to the Farnham Institute Charity to serve a new four year term (2022-2026) as Trustees.**

iii) **Community Enhancement**

Council noted an informal discussion took place on 7th September as the meeting was not quorate

iv) **Cemeteries & Appeals**

Cllr Cockburn reported that the Group had met in West Street Cemetery on 29th September to review the cemetery and observe tree works and commented that the cemetery was looking very good and credited the team.

C60/20 Planning and Licensing Applications

Cllr Fraser reported on the meetings held on 15th August, 5th and 26th September and 3rd and 17th October. He advised there had been a very high number of applications to review - a total of 166.

He raised the following as items of note from the various meetings:

- Bells solicitors in the Town Centre - application to convert to 7 flats
- Hookstyle residential application alongside the railway
- Application to fell trees - which should be replaced with similar trees
- Hawthorns residential development application which was not allocated in the Neighbourhood Plan

It was noted that there was a lack of information on appeals being sent to town and parish councils. which was important due to the amount of enquiries the parish and town councils received from the public.

C61/20 Actions taken under the Scheme of Delegation

There were no actions to report other than those noted elsewhere in the minutes.

C62/20 Reports from Other Councils

- i) Cllr Fraser gave an update on matters relating to Waverley Borough Council air quality actions. A meeting was held to discuss the Air Quality Management Plan and Cllr Fraser was concerned about the length of time it had taken to call the meeting and how poorly it was conducted in his opinion. He expressed concern about the amount of time taken to take action on the matter. Cllr Beaman asked if the Cllr Fraser could encourage Waverley Borough Council to hold a meeting related to Farnham only.
- ii) Cllr MacLeod gave an update from Surrey County Council and the scheme introduced to support those on low incomes related to the cost of living crisis. It was noted that Surrey were setting up welfare hubs that people could visit to get support and advice. Cllr MacLeod also had two trees to donate and it was noted that these would be donated to the Town Council. Cllr MacLeod also advised on the Surrey Healthy Streets initiative had also being launched and was related to Surrey Council being more involved in highway design.
- iii) Cllr Cockburn expressed disappointment, shared by other councillors, that the Surrey Local Committees had been disbanded, especially as it had had success around Rowledge and other areas, as a result of petitions to the committee. Cllr MacLeod agreed with Cllr Cockburn and advised that petitions could be submitted, but that they are sent to Select Committee that meets in Reigate. He added that he

was looking at setting up a version of Local Committee with support from within Waverley, although recognised that this would not be a full substitute.

- iv) Cllr Neale added that a national group had been looking at banking hubs and that local initiatives should align with them. The Town Clerk advised that local residents has taken an initiative to secure one in Farnham led by Mrs Mary Ambler who had been in touch with the local MP and local councils.
- v) Cllr Martin said that "Your Fund Surrey" had not been accessed by many groups in Surrey, but some large amounts of funding were going to areas such as Chobham. It was noted that a new funding stream as part of "Your Fund Surrey" was being launched, with £50k going to each of the SCC councillors, enabling them to support grass roots initiatives.

C63/20 **Reports from Outside Bodies**

- i) Cllr Cockburn updated Council on the Loneliness Task Group. The project, which was set up post-Covid, was looking at ways to improve loneliness and one way thought of was accessible walks. Cllr Cockburn thought there was an opportunity to link with the *Discover Farnham* app.
- ii) Cllr Neale gave an update on the following:
 - Public art trust - very active and had recently produced a new publication.
 - New Ashgate gallery - building was leased by Waverley and some roofing work was required which Cllr Neale was trying to assist with.
 - Farnham Maltings - had appointed a new CEO, Peter Glanville who would take up post in January.

C64/20 **Date of Next Meeting**

The dated of the next meeting was agreed as Thursday 15th December at 7.00pm.

C65/20 **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

The resolution to exclude the press and public was AGREED in view of the contractual matters under discussion which were commercially confidential.

C66/20 **Hale Chapels Community Garden**

The Town Clerk advised that the design for the garden had been tendered nationally and that three bids had been received. The range of quotations was substantial. Officers had done an initial analysis of the bids.

It was **RESOLVED unanimously**

i) that the Town Council should interview the lowest two contractors to discuss their bids, their sub-contractors and their references.

ii) The Town Clerk in consultation with the Assets Task Group should determine the successful contractor in conjunction with the Assets Task Group after due diligence had taken place at a cost not exceeding the middle contractor's quotation.

The Mayor closed the meeting at 9.02 pm

Chairman

Date

FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL



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Notes

Reconvened Meeting of Strategy & Finance

Time and date of meeting

9.30 13th December 2022

Members

Cllr David Beaman, Cllr George Hesse, Cllr John Neale
Alan Earwaker (ex officio), Cllr Pat Evans via Zoom

Officers:

Iain Lynch (Town Clerk), Lisa Tremeer (Communities and Administration Manager)

1 Apologies

Cllrs Carole Cockburn, Mark Merryweather, Paula Dunsmore, Kika Mirylees.

2 Disclosure of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

2 Farnham Infrastructure Programme – Papers for Farnham Board 16th December

3 The Farnham Infrastructure Program (FIP) Update.

- i) Cllr Beaman presented his summarised notes and thoughts on the papers for the FIP Board which was used as a basis for meeting discussion. He advised that the papers were not as advanced as the councillors on the Board had been briefed by the Programme Team.
- ii) The Town Clerk commented how frustrating it was that the documents had been circulated so late with insufficient time for officers to review the documents before the meeting on Friday as was normal practice (and previous practice with the FIP). This was not a good example of joint working. It was also noted that there was nothing about partnership and the new report branding did not include the partner councils in the Joint Board, only Surrey County Council. There had been no notification of branding change and the members should consider how they wanted to deal with that. Cllr Hesse suggested an email be sent to the Tim Oliver or Katie Stewart to point out the lack of reference to partner councils and lack of involvement of the respective council's officers as would be expected.
- iii) The Panel went through each point from Cllr Beaman's summarised notes and were in agreement with all the points mentioned with some amendments. There was agreement for a few changes to be made to the wording on the final document to be given to council, (see attachment BI) which included the following changes:

- Point number 3: To include **'With a provision for a suspension for west bound vehicles during large events.'**
- Point number 5: To include 'FTC supports (as consultation responses also recorded) the provision of bus laybys'
- Point number 9: To split the paragraph and add **'Could transfer air quality issues from The Borough to Downing Street with the right turn from Castle Street.'** It was also noted that the air quality problem would move from one road to another and if the pavements in The Borough were widened without a right turn, there could be continued problems in the Borough and it was important to consider the implications.
- Here was discussion on the potential to retain the current pelican crossing outside Boots, and avoid the need for new traffic lights at the top of Downing Street allowing traffic to turn left into West Street without congesting Downing Street. There was a strong view to reduce the requirement for and minimise street furniture wherever possible.
- Point number 11: To include 'for Central Government and other funding.'
- Point number 12: To change the paragraph to read **'Where pavements have been widened for pedestrians or cyclists, use of higher quality materials should be prioritised.'** In addition, to include **'FTC again wishes to remind SCC that a significant surplus has been built up through on-street parking charges that was agreed to be ring fenced as part of the agreement in introduction of on-street parking charges.'**
- Point number 14: To change the wording to read **'FTC would support remaining parking spaces on Castle Street being given priority for residents with consideration also given to...'**
- Point number 15: To change the wording to read **'With the proposal to move to the detailed design stage of certain elements of the FIP, FTC would urge SCC to engage more with FTC (and WBC) staff on all elements of the FIP with their invaluable local knowledge to avoid problems which have been experienced to date.'**

iv) **The following recommendations were made for council to consider:**

- Point number 6: 'The light controlled pedestrian crossing on South Street at the junction with Victoria Road should be retained in its existing position (not moved up to Sainsbury's) to allow the continuation of useful gaps in traffic for vehicles emerging from Victoria Road when traffic is stopped on South Street to allow pedestrians to cross and save costs.'
- Point number 7: 'FTC supports (as the consultation comments stated) the provision of bus laybys wherever possible at town centre bus stops to avoid traffic flow being held up by passengers alighting from and boarding stationary vehicles.'
- Point number 9: There was a motion to council to minimise street furniture and consider the air quality issue.
- Point number 11: Town Clerk to put caveats in this comment and would ask to reflect comments already made by councillors and staff on the LCWIP.
- Point 14: FTC would support remaining parking spaces on Castle Street being given priority for residents with consideration also being given to compensatory car parking spaces also being made available in WBC controlled Upper Hart and Central Car

Parks. It was also noted the anticipated inclusion of taxis in East Street as part of the Brightwells scheme was not showing in the FIP document.

Recommendation to Council:

It is recommended that the comments in Annex I be agreed as the Council's response to the response to the FIP Town Centre Consultation report.

v) Upper Hart Link Road Paper

Members considered the new Link Road paper that was again heavily emphasising negative points in a contradictory way (eg referencing Farnham Castle as a listed monument but the same argument was not being applied to the more pertinent impact on the listed monument in the LCWIP paper on routes preferred by SCC). There was a strong view that the Link Road should be retained. Cllr Hesse drafted the following for consideration by Council:

“On the final page of the Farnham Infrastructure Programme’s High Level Feasibility Report on the proposed Upper Hart Link Road, point 29 contains the Conclusion and Recommendation. Paragraph 3 states :-
“It is recommended that further work on the route be paused and that it is removed from any emerging designs and work focused on maximising sustainable travel options for Farnham’s residents.”

Accordingly, a motion with an alternative conclusion is proposed for Council to propose to the Board:- “That the Farnham Infrastructure Programme maintains the provision of the link road, to provide access for the residents and visitors from North Farnham to the Hart and The University of Creative Arts as an essential part of successful town centre improvements and minimise traffic moving around the town centre. The potential opportunity to extend this link road to West Street at a future point should be retained.”

4 Town Clerk Update

Members noted a request from the Isabella Schroder Trust to reappoint Jack Crawford and appoint Joan Anniballi as a new trustee following the resignation of Jill Beaumont who was moving out of the area.

Recommendation to Council:

It is recommended that Jack Crawfords and Joan Anniballi be appointed as Trustees of the Isabella Schroder Trust

Notes taken by Lisa Tremeer.

Annex I

Below is the proposed response to the FIP Consultation report on the Town Centre (in no particular order) recommended by the reconvened meeting of the Strategy and Finance Working Group held on Tuesday 13th December 2022.

After discussion at the meeting it is proposed:

1. FTC support SCC proceeding to design stage the proposals for Castle Street, Downing Street and The Borough reflecting the support received during public consultation exercise.
2. FTC welcomes the proposal for two-way traffic on the section of Downing Street between Lower Church Lane and Longbridge.
3. FTC welcomes the designation of Park Row as an active travel route for cyclists and pedestrians with a provision for suspension of no traffic for west bound vehicles, during large events.
4. FTC supports the need for further work to be undertaken on Bear Lane (which would be strongly influenced if two-way traffic was implemented on Woolmead Road).
5. With regards to South Street and Union Road, FTC now believes that the status quo of traffic movements should be retained rather than allowing two-way traffic on these roads. The implementation of two-way traffic on Union Road would be hindered by the bus stop which is used by 7/8 buses per hour of which 3 buses per hour use this stop as a terminus point with layover times which would prevent the free flow of traffic if traffic flow was two-way since there is no room to accommodate a bus stop layby at this location. If Union Road was to remain one way (east to west) then Victoria Road would have to remain one way (west to east) for traffic travelling in the opposite direction.

The retention of one-way traffic on Union Road and Victoria Road would also avoid the need for a traffic light-controlled crossing at the junction of South Street and Union Road and potentially with Longbridge and Downing Street if the section of Downing Street between Lower Church Lane and Longbridge was to become two-way.

The conversion of South Street to two-way operation would result in an added phase to the traffic light sequence at the Royal Deer junction which could result in longer traffic tailbacks particularly on The Borough if this is reduced to one traffic lane with pavement widening with knock on traffic tailbacks likely on Castle Street.

Retention of one-way traffic on South Street could allow consideration to be given to construction of a cycleway on South Street between Union Road and The Royal Deer junction.

6. The light controlled pedestrian crossing on South Street at its junction with Victoria Road should be retained in its existing position to allow the continuation of useful gaps in traffic for traffic emerging from Victoria Road when traffic is stopped on South Street to allow pedestrians to cross. There would be no need for the cost of moving the traffic lights to Sainsburys if single lane traffic was retained.
7. FTC supports (as the consultation did) the provision of bus laybys wherever possible at town centre bus stops to avoid traffic flow being held up by passengers alighting from and boarding stationary vehicles in a live lane.

8. FTC supports the provision of improved bus stop infrastructure (shelters, seating, and provision of real time information) for the benefit of waiting passengers.
9. FTC is still very concerned over the proposal to allow right turns from Castle Street into The Borough which could create potential lengthy tailbacks of traffic along Castle Street. This would also potentially move the air quality problem in the Borough to Downing Street.

Although it is accepted that construction of the short length of new road between Castle Hill and the Upper Hart car park could not be implemented quickly due to the time needed to acquire land not already in SCC's possession, the route should be protected should it be required to be constructed at some time in the future.

10. FTC welcomes the undertaking to investigate the potential for two-way traffic flow on Woolmead Road to facilitate bus, pedestrian, and cyclist only access on all or part of East Street between The Royal Deer junction and Dogflud Way.
11. FTC supports the provision of additional cycling infrastructure / parking where possible. FTC supports with certain reservations the Farnham LCWIP report as a basis for identifying certain corridors to be subject to further design work as a basis for bids to be made for Central Government and other funding. FTC's reservations relate to routes that continue to be included in the LCWIP report for further investigation which have already been identified by councillors and officers from SCC, WBC and FTC as not being feasible. In addition other routes favoured by WBC and FTC that would suit local use (without harming the archaeology of the scheduled monument) have been excluded.
12. It remains a concern for FTC that there is still no commitment to using the highest quality materials when extending pavements and improving other areas of the public realm. Where pavements have been widened for pedestrians or cyclists, use of higher quality materials should be prioritised. FTC again wishes to remind SCC that a significant surplus has been built up through on street parking charges that was agreed to be ring fenced (as part of the agreement in introduction of on-street parking charges) for use in Farnham which should now be used for providing high quality materials particularly in the town centre which is a designated Conservation Area.
13. FTC would support SCC giving a firm commitment to extending the HGV weight restriction and 20 mph speed limit to other roads in the town at the earliest possible opportunity.
14. With the reduction in car parking spaces in Castle Street, South of Long Garden Walk, associated with proposed pavement widening, FTC would support remaining parking spaces on Castle Street being given priority for residents with consideration also being given to compensatory car parking spaces also being made available in WBC controlled Upper Hart and Central Car Parks.
15. With the proposal to move to the detailed design stage of certain elements of the FIP FTC would urge SCC to engage more with FTC (and WBC) staff on all elements of the FIP with their invaluable local knowledge to avoid problems which have been experienced to date.
16. There is need to include taxis in East Street by Brightwells as the anticipated provision is not currently shown in the latest drawings.
17. FTC would like street furniture to be kept to a minimum in the implementation of the scheme.

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