Report of Kingston Town Neighbourhood Committee – 9 March 2017

In attendance: Councillor Maria Netley (Chair), Councillor Hugh Scantlebury (Vice Chair), and Councillors Geoff Austin, Bill Brisbane, Linsey Cottington, Andrea Craig, David Cunningham, Phil Doyle, David Glasspool, Rebekah Moll, and Jon Tolley.

For information:

1. Planning Application for 28-38 Cromwell Road, Kingston (retrospective application for change of use from mixed use day centre to D1 day nursery; ground and first floors only) – This application was permitted with an additional condition or informative for air quality monitoring.

2. Planning Application for 11 (former Lingfield Avenue Care Home) Lingfield Avenue Kingston (erection of single storey rear extensions and change of use from care home (C2) to 5 bedroom residential dwelling (C3). Demolition and rebuild of existing two storey side extension to create 5x2 bed and 1x3 bed flats) – This application was permitted.

3. Riverside Public Realm Supplementary Planning Document (Kingston Town and Surbiton Neighbourhoods) – The report raised awareness of the content and aims of the draft SPD ahead of the 8 week public consultation expected to commence in April. The area covered by the SPD is from the north of Canbury Gardens to Seething Wells and extends to the depth of one urban block. The SPD will enable the Council to guide and control future development proposals and public realm investment in the area. The report was noted.

4. Richmond Road Carriageway Widening – The Committee was requested to comment on proposals ahead of the decision by Residents Committee. Comments were wide ranging – it was questioned whether the proposal was needed, how it fitted with the Kingston Academy’s travel plan and supporting students to develop independence - the proposal would narrow the pavement/verge used by students walking and cycling.

5. Villiers Road Traffic Management Proposals – The Committee agreed to introduce the proposed scheme to address concerns about speeding and introduce additional car parking and kerb build-outs subject to no strong objections being received in response to consultation.

6. Acre Road Introduction of Contra Flow Cycle Lane – The Committee agreed to introduce the proposed scheme subject to no strong objections being received in response to consultation.

7. Local Implementation Plan 2017/18 (all Neighbourhoods) - The Committee endorsed the funding settlement and made no comments.

8. Drinking Water Fountain Proposal - The report put forward four possible locations including the preferred option of the corner of Eden Street/ Union Street and provided estimates of capital and revenue costs (£30K and £6K respectively). The Committee agreed to carry forward £18.9K into an earmarked reserve pending further agreement on the project and the agreement of Treasury Committee concerning any underspend arrangements.

9. Petition - A petition was presented requesting that Latchmere Lane is included in the proposals for the new Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) in roads east of Richmond Road. During question time a request was made for the inclusion of Latchmere Road. The Committee noted that it was too late to include these roads in the consultation and the Committee would be requested to decide whether to include these additional roads when the final CPZ proposals are considered in June.

Councillor Maria Netley
Chair