

Agenda Supplement



Meeting: Cabinet
Time: 10.00 am
Date: 16 January 2019
Venue: Committee Room 1 - County Hall, County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 1XJ

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7. Recommendations from Committees

To consider the following recommendations:

Regulatory Committee 6 December 2018

Recommendation 65: Proposed Parking Restriction on the C8, West Road, West Lulworth.

Recommendation 66: Proposed Puffing Pedestrian Crossing, Broad Street, Lyme Regis.

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9. **Questions from County Councillors** 13 - 14

To answer any questions received in writing by the Chief Executive by not later than 10.00am on Friday 11 January 2019.

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Statement for Dorset County Council's Cabinet Meeting Re: Puffin Crossing, Broad St, Lyme Regis, Wednesday, 16th January 2019

I proposed the Puffin Crossing in Lyme, following the traumatic experience, crossing the busy main road, trying to live my life independently.

My training says I should seek a controlled crossing, as the 'gold standard' for safely crossing the road. Also recommended by Guide Dogs.

If you do not approve this today, the budget that is already approved will have to be re-found and I fear, will be unavailable again, losing this chance of a vital resource. Do not let this chance go!

Lizzie Wiscombe

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Statement for Dorset County Council's Cabinet Meeting

I have been involved with Elizabeth Wiscombe's request for a safe crossing in Lyme Regis since its inception and the requests from many constituents for a crossing, I will continue to support something I strongly believe we as councilors should all be supporting.

I will be speaking on the details of Lyme Regis Town Councils position on this item and on the reasoning of their actions of late that has brought us to this precarious position.

There are several important issues here and I will be covering them in the hope of saving us all the embarrassment of further action.

Cheryl Reynolds

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Statement from Mr Hyde

I personally, and on behalf of The Royal National Institute of Blind People wish to see equality between visually impaired people and their sighted peers in the built environment.

Loss of vision substantially impacts personal mobility.

signal control crossings are a key adjustment to enable blind and partially sighted pedestrians, who cannot make eye contact with drivers, to cross roads.

There are an estimated 20,300 people living with sight loss in Dorset, this does not include the elderly, disabled, children or mothers with young children who will be at risk without this controlled crossing.

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100 word submission by Adrian Robinson for public questions.

I've been trained by the RNIB and can't find a safe place to cross Broad Street. I've 30 years in equalities, keeping organisations safe from harm to reputation and from litigation. Your equalities objective 1 is to conduct impact assessments, which can't have a neutral conclusion. The Single Equality Act 2010 is primary legislation. General duty 2 supports the installation of the crossing. Your Equalities Policy is not on the web, and only refers to staff in the main text. This gives a poor signal to people already feeling discriminated against by LRTC and the Highways officer report.

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As a member of Lyme Regis Town Council, I am focused on how we can make life easier for people who are disadvantaged. Particularly those with a disability or an impairment. We have made some simple adjustments to help people with reduced vision and we have budgeted for a proper accessibility audit of the town this year. I see the Puffin crossing as a valuable part of this programme. It will help both residents and visitors.

Richard Doney

Councillor
Lyme Regis Town Council

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Question from Nick Ireland to the Cabinet Member for Community and Resources regarding LGR Programme Costs

Question

Why is this report only being presented as an urgent item published today (14 January 2019) when the consequences of the decision taken at the Shadow Executive meeting in December were known immediately?

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