TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

13 JANUARY 2022

PRESENT

The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Laurence Walsh), in the Chair.

C. Boyes (Deputy Mayor) D. Acton S. Adshead A. Akinola J.M. Axford J. E. Brophy B. Brotherton D. Bunting D. Butt Dr. S. Carr G. Carter K.G. Carter D.N. Chalkin R. Chilton G. Coggins L. Dagnall J. Dillon N. Evans

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In attendance

Corporate Director of Governance and Community	J. Le Fevre
Strategy	
Information Governance Assistant	M. Shaw
Business Support Officer	E. Gorman
Senior Governance Officer	I. Cockill

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J. Bennett, Miss L. Blackburn, T. Carey, M. Cordingley, J. Lamb, M. Mirza, K. Procter, J. Slater and A.M. Whyte.

56. RIXTON AND WARBURTON TOLL BRIDGE - TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT ORDER

The Executive Member for Housing and Regeneration submitted a report advising the Council that the Manchester Ship Canal Company had submitted an application for an Order under Section 3 of the Transport and Works Act 1992, proposing new procedures for the operation of the Rixton and Warburton Toll Bridge, including new tolls, concessions, byelaws and collection arrangements.

The report detailed a Trafford Council response to the Order which raised a number of objections to the proposed changes, particularly around the increased toll charge and lack of provision for local resident discounts. The response had to be submitted by 18 January 2022.

The Executive Member for Housing and Regeneration had also submitted a supplementary report proposing that objection be raised to an additional issue, the proposed transfer of the Bridge into a new company separate to the Manchester Ship Canal Company.

Speaking to the reports, Councillor Wright, the Executive Member for Housing and Regeneration clarified that the level of the toll proposed was in fact £1.00 inclusive of VAT per crossing.

It was moved and seconded that the Executive's recommendations set out in both the report and supplementary report be approved.

Following a debate on the matter, the Motion was agreed with the unanimous consent of the Council.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the Council submits an objection to the Rixton and Warburton Toll Bridge Transport and Works Act Order as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.
- (2) That, in addition to the objections referenced in the original report, the Council submits an objection to the Rixton and Warburton Toll Bridge Transport and Works Act Order, as set out in paragraph 2.2 of the supplementary report.
- (3) That the Corporate Director of Place be delegated authority to prepare detailed submissions and take any other necessary steps to pursue and progress the objection to the order, including negotiations with the Manchester Ship Canal Company and that any further concessions shall be agreed, in consultation with the Executive Member for Housing and Regeneration.

The meeting commenced at 7.00 p.m. and finished at 7.46 p.m.