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Minutes of the meeting of the Highways Committee held on the 01st May 2018 at the Village Hall

Present: Chris Hutton (Chair), James Rudgley, Tim Wood

Apologies: Stuart Southall

Clerk: Anne Papé

MINUTES

1. Receive and approve apologies for absence

1.1 Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Southall.

2. Declarations of interest in any matter – being prejudicial or personal.

2.1 None

3. Consider and agree installation of H-bars in Pyms Close.

3.1 The Committee agreed to recommend to the Full Council, the installation of H-bars in front of two pedestrian crossing points and in front of one private driveway in Pyms Close. Cars were parking across the dropped kerbs at school drop off and pick up times causing difficulties for pedestrians and residents. Due to the circumstances Bedford Borough Council Highways had offered to mark up the H-bars free of charge when next in the area.

Action – add recommendation to Full Council agenda

4. Discuss the condition of verges following work by utility companies and agree action

4.1 The Committee felt that where verges were left in poor condition the responsible utility company should be contacted and the damage reported.

4.2 It was not always clear who owned verges. The Committee asked if ownership of some verges on Roxton Road could be looked into.

5. Consider the issue of the C44 being used as a diversion route for the A421 and agree action

5.1 The road, road surface and lighting had all been downgraded and the road was no longer classed as an A road. Residents had been disturbed by traffic noise during recent overnight diversions of traffic from the A421.

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5.2 The Committee objected to the use of the C44 as a diversion route for the A421 and felt that an alternative A road should be used. The Committee would recommend that the Parish Council formally raise the objection with Bedford Borough Highways and Highways England.

Action – add recommendation to Full Council agenda

6. Consider future traffic schemes in Great Barford

6.1 The Committee considered traffic schemes that could be put to the Full Council for future consideration and implementation. The Committee agreed to put the following schemes forward.

- Roxton Road – raised table by heavy plant hire site
- Crossroads – long raised table and traffic lights
- Bedford Road – build out footway in line with pedestrian refuge
- Bedford Road – remove right hand turn lane for Hare Meadow
- Green End Road – raised table by Peashill Lane
- High Street – build out footway by Pym's Close crossing point
- High Street – build out footway by Church Walk
- High Street – raised table at Addingtons Road junction
- High Street – build out footway near to 67 High Street
- High Street and Silver Street – 20mph speed limit

Action – recommendations to be added to Full Council agenda for future planning

6.2 The speed limit on New Road was discussed. Reduction of the speed limit had been looked into previously.

Action – Clerk to check previous correspondence regarding speed limits on New Road.

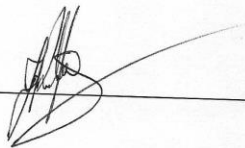
6.3 The Committee agreed to invite Simon Deards to a future Highways Committee meeting to discuss traffic schemes.

7. Raise any other Highways issues.

7.1 It had been noted that there had been accidents on the Green End Road bend by the junction with Birchfield Road during the winter months. It was agreed to recommend to the Full Council that Bedford Borough Council be asked to assess the area and to put forward recommendations to improve road safety.

Action – add to the Full Council agenda

Signed: _____



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