

Minutes of the meeting of the Highways Committee held on the 02nd October at the Village Hall

Present: Chris Hutton (Chair), James Rudgley, Stuart Southall

Apologies: Tim Wood, Stuart Howard

Clerk: Joanne Lee

MINUTES

1. Receive and approve apologies for absence

1.1 Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Howard and Councillor Wood.

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

2.1 None

3. Discuss site with Borough Council highways Officer regarding parking issues around the village and costings for traffic calming schemes.

3.1 Councillor Rudgley met with Jonathon Sahota and Andrew Prigmore from Highways. It was discussed that of all the traffic calming measures proposals that only a Zebra Crossing by Church Walk was viable and possibly funded by Highways.

All Proposed works will be priced by Bedford Borough Council Highways

Andrew Prigmore suggested that the best solution would be to have Average Speed Camera corridors.

3.2 Lack of parking in Chapel Field. Only space available is “no mans” land. Andrew Prigmore to look up original plans of the estate to establish ownership

3.3 A requirement of safety railings was mentioned as the safer crossing route across the High Street into Pym's Close. Highways to hopefully consider this as an urgent requirement.

3.4 The constructed traffic island in Bedford Road was considered to be dangerous. Overgrown hedgerows from 35 and 37 Bedford Road were causing visibility issues.

Action Clerk to write to 35 and 37 Bedford Road to request for their hedgerows to be cut back.

3.5 The yellow lines outside the Methodist Church are to be removed by highways. Andrew Prigmore also believed it would be good to remove most of the yellow lines currently on Bedford Road, except the corners. He also agree to tidy up the yellow lines going into Silver Street from Bedford Road, left over from the original Village Hall.

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4. Discuss with issues parking on Parish Council Open spaces opposite Chapel Close and verges.

4.1 Resident complained about cars and lorries parking on the green opposite Chapel Close and the entrance to Dothans Close.

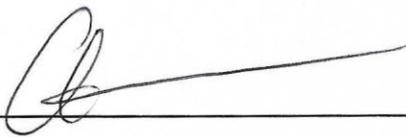
Action Councillor Howard to do a walk by and inform his findings at the next Full Parish Council Meeting.

Action Clerk to advise resident who complained that we are looking into the issue and it will be reported at our next Full Parish Council Meeting.

5. Discuss residents concerns about parking on New Road and the weight limit on Great Barford bridge.

5.1 Resident complained about yellow lines on New Road and the weight issue on Great Barford Bridge. It was discussed and agreed that the bridge had structural work already done on it in the past and it was reported that it can withstand the weight issues.

Action Clerk to ask Highways to refresh the white markings on New Road.

Signed:  _____ Date: 16/10/2018

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