Draft Minutes of the Traffic and Transport Working Party held virtually by Zoom on Thursday 2nd February 2023 at 7pm.

Attended by: Cllr. Bob Franklin (Chair), Cllr. Terry Johns, David Cowell, Stephen Dixon, Hilary Stewart and George McAllister

1. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr. Julian Kenny, Lindsay Green and Les Moore.

2. Disclosures of Interest.

There were none.

3. Minutes from the previous meeting held on 8th December 2022.

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th December 2022 had been agreed and adopted at Full Council.

4. Vicarage Road and Lane Speed Limit.

Peter Heasman reported that the documentation for the TRO was being prepared and the responsibility for placing the adverts rests with Rother. He subsequently informed Lyndsay Green that this was anticipated to happen in April.

5. Implementing 20mph in Burwash Village.

A report had been received from Nick Skelton which put the anticipated total costings at £170,000; the scheme was not due to be discussed with the Council before the Safety Audit. This was unacceptable and the Chair is to request an urgent meeting with Nick Skelton to view the proposed design.

6. Yellow Lines Review Consultation.

Yellow Lines review pending confirmation of the 20mph design.

7. Village Gates Design.

Village Gates design pending confirmation of the 20mph design.

8. Highways and Road Repairs.

a. Maintenance Contract and Report.

Council still awaiting sight of the new contract.

b. Shrub Lane road surface repair.

Full road resurface due to be carried out Monday 6th March to Friday 24th March.

c. Vicarage Lane drainage works.

Lindsey Green is due to meet with a representative from Highways to discuss additional drainage works.

d. Road surface crazing in Burwash High Street.

Clerk to meet Ruby Brittle and a discussion to include additional crazing by the War Memorial, Vicarage Road and Vicarage Lane.

e. Spring Lane verges.

Network Rail has paid Highways to restore the verges and Highways is waiting for drier weather before carrying out the repair.

f. School Hill.

Concern has been expressed about the risks involved to parents and children. (Clerks Note: Highways have responded, due to the lack of accidents, any safety works do not score highly enough to be implemented. Letter attached, Appendix 1)

9. Speedwatch.

This month's report was noted (See Appendix 2).

10. Quiet Lanes.

Nothing to report.

11. Proposed Cycleways (Burwash Weald to Spring Lane & Stonegate; Burwash to Etchingham Station).

A further email has been sent to Sustrans – apparently the staff member previously involved has left.

12. Footpath Modifications (proposed by Jeremy Richardson)

Proposal 1 is seen as part of the work to upgrade the bridleway/footpath to Stonegate Station.

Proposals 2, 3 and 4 are seen as more difficult to achieve, but the Chair will discuss with the Rights of Way team at ESCC on the procedure to convert a footpath to a bridleway.

13. HIP (Highways Improvement Plan)

Nothing to Report.

14. 20's Plenty Campaign.

The proposed policy for West Sussex has been received and is encouraging.

15. Extending the 40mph speed limit A265 Burwash Weald.

Feasibility Study has been submitted.

16. Car Park Update.

The recycling bins have been removed, but we are now experiencing problems with fly tipping. The 2 remaining bins (Salvation Army etc.) are being moved to nearer the toilets.

The Clerk is due to meet the relining representative shortly.

The lights are being repaired.

17. Black Cat Radar.

Full Council agreed to purchase the Black Cat Radar and surveys for locations and Risks Assessments are under way.

18. SLR Agenda.

Agenda for SLR meeting on 22nd February attached (Appendix 3.)

19. Deer Warning Signs.

Chair to contact the Deer Wardens to obtain the moveable signs..

20. E. V. Charging Points.

We have been included with the Rother submission for an initial tranche of charging points.

21. Points for Noting on a Future Agenda.

There were none.

22. Date of Next Meeting.

Thursday 2nd March 2023 - 7pm - Virtual meeting.

Meeting closed 8.00pm.

 Signature of Chair.



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