

DRAFT Highways Committee Meeting Minute
meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 26th July 2018 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs McCarthy (Chair), Dewey, Kidston, Morris and Young and Assistant Clerk.

18H/039. Chairman's Introduction and Apologies – no apologies received.

18H/040. Public participation – none present.

18H/041. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensations – none received.

18H/042. Minutes - To resolve that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on Tuesday 22nd May 2018 be signed as a correct record - **RESOLVED**

18H/043. Reports

- **Assistant Clerk** – report circulated prior to the meeting to highlight matters on agenda & update on matters arising since last meeting, nothing further to add.
- **Pavement Project** - Beach Road; speed cushions and give way feature, provisional date to be installed 6th August 2018.
- **Traffic and Transport Strategy Working Group** – Meeting held on 27th June 2018, evidence gathering to support objectives discussed. Date of next meeting 25th September 2018. Matters for consideration; community bus scheme, improvements to public transport, invite GCP to talk about the Greenways project.
- **Major Developments** – Cllr Morris outlined. Bellway continue to be troublesome – District Councillors liaising with SCDC planning to ensure planning conditions are adhered to. CCC: meeting with This Land (intended owner) is being set up in an attempt to mitigate harm to our sports provision etc.
- **Traffic survey** – 7-day traffic survey on Histon Road – results of the survey were discussed. From a police perspective the results indicate that speeding is not a problem; 85% of drivers do adhere to the 30mph limit or within police tolerances. The data shows average speeds and traffic flows over the whole 7-day period – different time bands show higher speeds e.g. early morning/late evening, but these are not addressed in the consultant's report. Some vehicles appear to slow down within the 30mph zone – need to slow at 30mph sign. The length of the survey was queried – does a 7-day period, with just one weekend, provide enough evidence to prove a perceived problem? Several conditions are considered during traffic surveys, e.g. cannot take place during school holidays, no roadworks in the area and no bank holidays. Further traffic counts are due to be taken during October; we may be able to include this data in any LHI discussions.
- **Local Highway Improvement funding 2019/20 (LHI)** – Based upon the recent survey results and consultant recommendations, CPC to submit an LHI bid for speed reduction measures on Histon Road using a combination of:
 1. supplementing the VAS with a MVAS mountable nearer to the 30 mph signage
 2. emphasising the 30mph entry point with a yellow backboard and gate feature
 3. emphasising the "cyclists crossing" warning with a yellow backboard
 4. adding more virtual islands to narrow the perceived road width, and
 5. including a "3-2-1 countdown" feature on the approach to indicate 300m etc to the 30mph area.Cllrs Dewey, Morris and Ward to action (deadline 31st July 2018).

18H/044 A14 HCV traffic diverting through the villages – Asst Clerk has written to the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme to raise concerns regarding extra traffic through the village, particularly HCVs at night during A14 road closures. Response: they try to signpost these routes as thoroughly as they can. Unfortunately, sometimes HGV drivers know the local area and opt to take routes they feel are quicker than the diversions. They are monitoring the issue to ensure that local residents are not further impacted by the road closures and works. In cases such as speeding, or if the HGVs passing through the village cause any damage, they ask residents to share all relevant details with the police. District Councillors are also encouraging residents to report issues to them to follow up.

18H/045 Meeting frequency – Resolution to reduce meeting frequency to quarterly – **RESOLVED**

18H/046. Matters for consideration at the next meeting -Twenty Pence Road speed reduction.

18H/047. Date of next meeting – Thursday 25th October 2018

18H/048. Close of Meeting 8.23pm

Signed _____ (Chair) Date _____

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