

Cottenham Parish Council Highways Committee Minutes
Held in the Village Hall, Recreation Ground, Lambs Lane, Cottenham
On **Tuesday 10th February 2015 at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllrs Leeks (Chair), Collier, Ward, Wotherspoon and Clerk Jo Brook

In attendance: 1 member of the public.

- 15H/001. Any Questions from the Public or Press** – Standing orders to be suspended – Resident spoke regarding Denmark Road traffic issues. Speeding is getting worse and vehicles are now driving on the pavements, with several near misses outside his house. Would like to see some form of traffic calming introduced. Residents have resorted to parking on the road to reduce speeds in the vicinity. Cllr Ward spoke to suggest holding a Speedwatch event on Denmark Road and possible volunteering by residents. Cllr Collier also mentioned the child-designed road signs which we hope to install around the village which may encourage drivers to reduce their speed. It was further suggested that the problem could be raised at the forthcoming police panel meeting – Clerk to send details.
- 15H/002. Standing Orders re-instated - Chairman's Introduction and Apologies.** Apologies accepted from Cllrs Heydon (personal) and Nicholas (personal).
- 15H/003. Declarations of Interest** *To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.* None received.
- 15H/004. Minutes** - Resolution that the minutes (circulated to members) of the Committee meeting held on the 9th December 2014 be signed as a correct record. **RESOLVED.**
- 15H/005. Reports**
- **Clerk** – report circulated prior to the meeting detailing outstanding Highways issues and update on matters arising since the last meeting. Clerk gave a further update on Cottenham Skips – Enforcement had been out to inspect the site. Additionally there was further work underway as part of the Denmark Road flooding issues.
 - **Cottenham Speedwatch update** – Kate Heydon, Cottenham Speedwatch co-ordinator
 - **Update from Northstowe Traffic Working Group** – Cllr Heydon, Parish Council Representative
 - **Update on Bus Service** - article submitted to Cottenham Newsletter, current edition (Issue 145) and 2013 survey information provided re: County Council published survey - Cllrs Heydon and Ward
- 15H/006. Park That Bike Scheme** - to consider any locations that would benefit from free provision of cycle stands (NB fitting costs are not covered). Reference (as shared by Cambs County Cycling Officer on Twitter): <http://www.parkthatbike.info/cycleStands.cfm>. Committee members to consider possible locations. Item deferred. Clerk to ask for suggestions via Facebook.
- 15H/007. Gritting of Landbeach Road** - Update on County Gritting routes and strategy. To consider writing to County Highways to ask that Landbeach Road is routinely gritted on days when the Cottenham Village College school buses use the route (weekdays, in term time) - Cllr Wotherspoon stated that he was confident that Cottenham would get a cyclepath eventually. We need to look at the condition of the road in general. Cllr Collier will speak to CVC regarding joining forces to add weight to our letter. Resolution to write to County Highways to ask that Landbeach Road is routinely gritted during the school term. **RESOLVED.**
- 15H/008. HCV issues on Tenison Manor** – to consider resident concerns regarding HCV's turning in a residential area due to missing Broad Lane turning for industrial estate – Clerk outlined the issue. CPC recognise that there is a problem but need further evidence. Item deferred.
- 15H/009. Working parties** - To consider setting up the following Working Parties reporting back to the Highways Committee bi-monthly/as necessary:

- Local Highways Infrastructure Bid 2015
- Buses/public transport
- Local pavement, footpath, public rights of way, bridleway & cyclepaths; maintenance & opportunities for enhanced provision
- Local policing liaison re: community engagement opportunities (Speedwatch and Police Panel) specific to local transport interests
- HCV, large vehicles; updating on noise & pollution concerns, reports from HCV group
Item deferred.

15H/010. Publication of LHI bid paperwork – Resolution to publish on Cottenham Parish Council web site the the Minor Highways Bid paperwork as submitted to County Council Highways 2014.

RESOLVED.

15H/011. Review of 2015 Highways projects - Update on the 2015 budget and a review of Highways Committee projects pending, reference: <http://www.cottenhampc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Cottenham-Traffic-Project-Ideas-October.pdf>. Item deferred.

15H/012. Quarterly Committee report – Resolution to accept the expanded Quarterly Highways Committee Report for presentation at the AGM. **RESOLVED.**

15H/013. Local Highways Improvement Grants – results from 2014 and suggestions for 2015 – Cllr Heydon. Item deferred.

15H/014. Matters for consideration at the next meeting – Child-designed road signs (Cllr Collier)

15H/015. Date of next meeting – 14th April

15H/016. Close of meeting – 8.09pm

Signed _____ (Chair) Date _____