

**AGENDA REPORTS PACK**  
**HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE**

**23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019**

**Highways Committee Meeting Minute**

Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs McCarthy (Chair), Dewey, Morris, Ward and Wotherspoon and Assistant Clerk

**19H/001. Chairman's Introduction and Apologies** – Apologies received from Cllrs Nicholas (sick) and Young (personal)

**19H/002. Public participation** – none present.

**19H/003. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensations** – none received.

**19H/004. Minutes** - To resolve that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2018 be signed as a correct record. Cllr Ward added as being present. **RESOLVED.**

**19H/005. Reports**

- **Assistant Clerk** – report circulated prior to the meeting to highlight matters on agenda & update on matters arising since last meeting. Asst Clerk added that jetting work has been ordered for High St; Lambs Lane junction up to Broad Lane roundabout. Cllr Morris requested urgent action regarding wall displacement on Smithy Fen Bridge – Asst Clerk to chase. High Street Zebra crossing (new) - Cllr Morris commented that the Reports Pack should say 'some residents believe that the lamp columns are too bright' and not state 'column lights too bright'. LHI bid panel meeting 16<sup>th</sup> January – Cllr Morris unable to attend, Cllr McCarthy still to attend.

**19H/006. Traffic and Transport Strategy Working Group (T&TWG)** – to review objectives of the T&TWG. Cllr Ward and Asst Clerk outlined report circulated prior to the meeting. Some positive projects have evolved from the T&TWG – Speedwatch has been reactivated (albeit currently quiet due to limited operational hours and volunteer availability) and a traffic survey was commissioned which resulted in an LHI bid for traffic calming measures on Histon Road following group input/suggestions. Asst Clerk to email newsletter to group to point out that we are not dormant – there are things bubbling away in the background; highlight progress to date and that we will continue to hold meetings as and when their views are needed for future projects such as ways to reduce car usage within the village, car sharing to the Science Park (and possible other locations), look at ways to measure air/noise pollution if appropriate. Newsletter to be circulated to Cllrs before sending out.

**19H/007. Matters for consideration at the next meeting** – consider purchasing 2 additional Road Closed signs for Remembrance Day Parade and consider LHI bid for speed reduction measures on Twentypence Road.

**19H/008. Date of next meeting** – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019.

**19H/009. Close of Meeting** – 8.13pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Chair) Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **19H/015. Speedwatch**

Asst Clerk is currently on long-term sick leave which has left us without a Speedwatch co-ordinator. Need someone to take up the co-ordinator role during her absence and to act as deputy going forward. Role entails: liaising with the rest of the group to organise 3 volunteers to be in the same place at the same time, logging results on to a spreadsheet template to send to the Police and storage of the equipment.

NB: one resident has now stepped forward to assist.

## **19H/016. Rampton Road**

Resident request: Cottenham appears to be behind the times by not establishing any permanent 20MPH speed zones whilst Cambridge City and other Local Authorities are finding great benefits from the ones they have established. Rampton Road residents are about to suffer the effects of development permissions for Rampton Road with anticipated high increases in traffic without a link from Oakington Road directly to the site.

Whilst the approved changes to roundabout at the Oakington/Rampton Road junction will facilitate 2 lanes, the road itself is narrow with paths sloping towards the road and with minimal curb height, making it dangerous to walk on particularly with higher traffic volumes.

We need to plan for the impact this will have on the lives of residents and the safety of children walking to both village schools.

### **Considerations:**

- Could be premature to press for such a limit on Rampton Road at this stage given the various works which are due to be undertaken as a result of the major development permissions which have been given in the village. The Highway Authority may want to wait to assess the impact of those works before considering the implementation of a 20mph limit on Rampton Road or other speed reducing measures.
- Road will be downgraded in terms of maintenance.
- Police don't enforce 20mph zones.