

**DRAFT Highways Committee Meeting Minutes**

Meeting held online via Zoom on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs McCarthy (Chair), Ward, Morris, Henderson, Stewart, Jones, Wotherspoon, and the Assistant Clerk

**20H/015. Chairman's Introduction and Apologies** – apologies accepted from Cllr Hewitt (Work).

**20H/016. Any Questions from the Public or Press** – None present

**20H/017. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensations** – None given

**20H/018. Minutes** – Resolution that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020 be signed as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Ward seconded by Cllr Morris. **RESOLVED.**

**20H/019. Reports:**

- **Clerks Report** – Report Noted. Asst. Clerk reported that communication with the LHO had improved recently. Potholes are still being filled, and ironwork by the Post Office repaired by Anglian Water. Two more loose manholes on High street owned by Highways, LHO due to inspect. Asst. Clerk still trying to find out if gulleys likely to be cleared.
- **Response from Derek Crosby, Cambridgeshire constabulary** – Item deferred
- **Response from Harradine** – Cllr Morris wrote to Gun Club, with no response received. Cllr Morris to write to Harradine to arrange a face to face meeting.
- **Motorcycles using the cut through from the High Street to Tenison Manor** – Item deferred

**20H/020. Local Highways Initiative (LHI) bid** - 20/21 LHI bid for Oakington Rd was unsuccessful. Cllr Wotherspoon joined meeting at 8.07. Cllr Wotherspoon confirmed that scoring done by councillors only, not engineers. S106 money could be used for highways improvements. Asst. Clerk ran through differences in 19/20 and 20/21 LHI applications which may explain difference in scoring. Could resubmit Oakington Rd bid with modifications, with additional sites for MVAS. Resolution to resubmit Oakington Rd application for the 2021/22 LHI bid, with modifications to strengthen application, including siting of additional brackets for MVAS. Proposed by Cllr Ward seconded by Cllr Stewart. **RESOLVED.**

**20H/021. Highways Volunteering Scheme** - Asst. Clerk ran through the scheme and confirmed no obligation to carry out work once signed up. No equipment provided, but volunteers would be covered by County Council's insurance. Resolution for Cottenham Parish Council to sign up to Highways Volunteering Scheme. Proposed by Cllr McCarthy seconded by Cllr Ward. **RESOLVED.**

**20H/022. Cottenham to Waterbeach Cycleway** – Cllr Wotherspoon ran through the proposed County Council scheme to develop a cycleway from Cottenham to Waterbeach via the Cambridge Research Park. Waterbeach station due to be relocated nearby, and bridge built over A10. Cycleway would need agreement of nearby landowners. Concerns raised by landowner of increased risk of fly tipping. If existing track became a public byway County would be liable to clear any fly tipping. Alternative route to Waterbeach and Milton via Landbeach was suggested. Queried whether station move would be postponed due to lack of funding. Cllr Wotherspoon believes it is likely to go ahead as funded privately. Need to gauge popularity of scheme, and location.

**20H/023. Annual Parish Meeting** – As it is currently illegal to hold mass meetings, committee reports will be published online. Assistant Clerk to produce a draft and circulate to committee members.

**20H/024. Considerations for next meeting** –LHI bid, data from traffic survey on High Street/Twenty Pence Road, volunteering scheme

**20H/025. Date of next meeting** – 28<sup>th</sup> July 2020

**20H/026. Close of meeting 9.08pm**

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