

**MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC & PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2016**

PRESENT: Councillors Harvey, Horner, Jones and Payne

OFFICER: Stephen Hedges.

T&P29/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Ms Doman, Marshall, O'Brien and Varrall

T&P30/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations made.

T&P31/16 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the public present.

T&P32/16 MINUTES

i) 6th March 2016

RESOLVED: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6TH MARCH 2016 BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT PAGE 3 ITEM NUMBER TO BE AMENDED.

ii) 6th July 2016

RESOLVED: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6TH JULY 2016 BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

iii) 5th October 2016

RESOLVED: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6TH MARCH 2016 BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT T&P27/16 INSERTION OF WORD.

T&P33/16 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

T&P37/15 – Stratford Gardens, bollards. Item is being pursued

T&P34/15 – Highways Officer visit still to take place.

T&P34/16 ITEMS DELEGATED BY FULL COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE REFERRALS

i) **Traffic congestion around schools**

It was noted the schools had been contacted to request their respective travel plans. Considerable discussion took place regarding the associated issues with promoting walking to schools and in particular the restrictive width of pavements due to overhanging vegetation.

T&P35/16 TRANSPORTATION

i) **Public Transport**

Discussions took place with regards to improving the service locally. It was agreed that the new shelters should include the real time indicators.

ii) **Traffic & Pedestrian Safety Review**

a) Members were asked to send to the Office any items they wished to be considered for inclusion within the review document.

- b) Junction 9 (M4 exit road) – pedestrian route, central pedestrian refuge has deteriorated. Ask the Borough Council to reinstate the refuge also advise that the area is badly lit.
- c) Highfield Lane - it was suggested that the parking on the road, between Cox Green School and Highfield Lane bridge, was causing increasing issues and should be included within the review.

T&P36/16 **FOOTWAYS**

i) **Overhanging Vegetation Report & Condition**

It was noted that this item had been covered earlier in the meeting.

ii) **Potholes and General Condition**

It was suggested that the condition of footways throughout Cox Green were in a very bad condition with some of the deterioration resulting from utility works and inadequate reinstatements. It was agreed that contact be made with the Borough Council's Highways Department regarding the programme of works to see what was being done about this.

Suggest to the Borough Council that many areas may pose a danger. Members were asked to submit locations for reporting to the Borough Council.

T&P37/16 **HIGHWAYS**

i) **Issues List**

a) The meeting was informed that the bollard scheme in St. Columbas Close had suffered damage by either vandalism or vehicles damaging the posts. It was suggested that as the scheme provided valuable safety benefits to pedestrians that it should be replaced with a more robust type of bollard. Details were provided of the costs involved and it was to carry out the replacement works.

Discussion took place regarding the access arrangements to the rear of the shopping precinct, it was noted that large vehicles were causing damage and congestion. It was suggested that improvements should be sought to the traffic flow in the area. It was agreed that contact be made with the Borough Council to investigate the access arrangements.

ii) **Road Traffic Incident Report**

There were no reported incidents.

iii) **Potholes and General Condition (including street furniture)**

Various items were highlighted for report to the Highways Department including the signs along Shoppenhangers Road being rusted at the bottom as well as those on the Cox Green Road roundabout.

It was noted that the lamp posts were currently being assessed ahead of the replacement programme.

Concern was also expressed at the condition of some white lining in areas being in general poorly maintained.

T&P38/16 **ITEMS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS**

There were no items put forward.

- T&P39/16 **RBWM – DELEGATION MENU**
 Highways tender documents still to be reviewed. Meeting to be organised shortly.
- T&P40/16 **ROADSIDE VERGES**
- i) **Damaged Verges**
 No reports were made, it was reported that the verges were in a reasonable condition at the moment.

 - ii) **Parking**
 Parking opposite Wessex Way Play area needs to be reviewed. (parking on grass verge is occurring)
- It was suggested that the Neighbourhood Planning group should consider redundant green spaces that can be used for parking with a landscaping scheme and drainage to mitigate a complete hard surface appearance.
- T&P41/16 **BUS SHELTERS**
 Members were informed that a meeting was being arranged with all necessary partners to finalise the details of the scheme.
- T&P42/16 **COMMITTEE BUDGET**
 Details of the Committee’s spending requirements for the next municipal year were presented to the meeting. It was agreed to put it forward to the budget meeting.

The meeting concluded at 9.20 p.m.

Signed as a true record of the meeting
Councillor Walsby, Chairman.