

Minutes of Waterbeach Parish Council Highways Committee held on Tuesday, 14th February 2012 at 7.30pm in the New Pavilion, Cambridge Road, and Waterbeach.

Present: Cllr W. Bullivant, Mrs J Williamson, Cllr M Williamson (CCC), Cllr C Smith, Cllr A Wright (Chairman) and note taker.

In attendance: Mr J Grant

Apologies Cllr J Hockney (SCDC). Cllr M Howlett, Norma Kay, Tim Gent

1 Declarations of Interest for items on the agenda

None

2 To approve minutes of meeting held on 8th November 2011

Agreed that the Minutes be signed Proposed Cllr M Williamson Seconded Cllr J Williamson Unanimously agreed

3 Matters Arising not on the agenda

None

4 Traffic calming measures and safety features in Chapel street

Mr Reeves Acting Parish Clerk had made an application for a County Highways grant for the scheme.

The Highways Committee had been asked to consider the 6 emails received from the public following an article in the Beach News.

1 was against. The other five were in favour but one had concerns over the mini round-a-bout Village stores end of Chapel Street. One thought it would be better to charge a levy in February or March to cover the cost rather than a loan when there are two 'free' months. We were asked what evidence was there to support the village wanted something to be done to improve the ability to cross Chapel Street and to slow traffic and we are able to site the Parish Plan which put much weight on these measures. The committee could see no change in the views of the Parishioners which would indicate the scheme is withdrawn.

RECOMMENDATION The Parish Council should consider cycle security bars in the area of the village stores to the Village Sign on the Green and any where else thought appropriate. There may be some grant money under cycling budgets in the County Council.

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5 Station Road and footway.

No further information

6 More double yellow lines and other markings (this is a running list added to at each meeting)

A list of further parking or visibility problem spots has been started and locations listed below:-

Denson Close and Waddelow Road

Pieces Lane /Way Lane corner D.Yellows

Bannold Road outside the Surgery

Outside 14 High Street D. Yellows and white lining across entrance to Whittons Farm. Yellow lines to continue round to into Cattels Lane. Also on opposite corner High Street and Cattels Lane.

Entrance to 19 High Street White Lines and bus stop is marked out side new houses.

Also all bus stops to be marked as many are experiencing people parking in them.

New items February 2012

Primrose Lane /High Street extend white line for visibility and turning in / out of Primrose Lane.

This is a continuing list and members are asked to give thoughts of any problem place to the Highway Committee please.

Cllr M Williamson requested to enquire about white boxes on bus stops as difficulty is being had by bus users lighting and alighting on them when they are not near the curb.

MW

7 Street lighting PFI

Cllr M Williamson requested to enquire about any new scheme for Waterbeach – when that might be and what spacings are the lights. In other words are we to have same/less/ or more. And the lights such as outside the church are maintained as they fit in to the conservation area scene.

MW

8 The Station and the Industrial Site.

Network rail have an ongoing dispute with the lessees.
Secure Cycle parking being discussed CCC and NWR.
Question to the effect of any new station at Chesterton.

9 Winter Gritting

Cllr Wright having used up one five gallon tub of spray on the recent snow and ice was of the opinion that this was not as effective if at all as rock salt. The committee agreed if a number of volunteers could be found and the County Council would include Waterbeach in its issue of salt grit spreaders and training in there use.

RECOMMENDED Beach News article calling for volunteers and if forth coming arrange with County Council for issue of equipment and training for winter 2012/2013. Our own grounds persons should be included in this team. The streets that we would wish to treat would have to be identified. When treatment is required County Council contact the operators who are required to treat with in 24 hours. (Acting Clerk has indicated this worked very well in his other Parish)

NK or AW

10 A10 SLAP UP JUNCTION AND SPEED

Cllr M Williamson had met with Mr Preston Landbeach / Milton also with Mr I Greasley County Highway: Engineer about the speed on the A10 and proposals for a reduction to 50mph on some of it especially Milton to Waterbeach Denny End Road .
The problem of cycle crossing from / to Landbeach raised. Mr Greasley will also look at this as well.

11 To consider items for the next agenda

A. Denny End Road Lights/ paths/drainage ditches. (We need to know what ditches and who is responsible so could any members who have that information please inform Cllr Wright well before any meeting to discuss)

ALL

B. Bannold Road and the state left in by CamLocks Developers Maurice Holmes.

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Date of next meeting: Tuesday 8th May 2012

The meeting ended at 8.25 p.m.

Chairman Date