

**Batheaston Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Highways, Footpaths & Lighting Committee Meeting  
held in The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 7-15pm**

**Present** : Cllrs G Riley (Chair), P Burcombe, S Frayling, & M Townley (Clerk)

**In Attendance** : Miles Chambers

**H-667 Public Participation – Mr Chambers**

Lives at no 6 Bannerdown Road and needs a footpath at the bottom (LH going up). The family is aware of the proposal to install a 1 metre wide Pavement across the Road – a continuation of the existing RH pavement – but the 4 x cottages on the LH side are exposed without any traffic protection.

Mr chambers has researched a concrete/resin overlay 10mm thick, which can adhere to the existing tarmac. Papers on this process will be circulated to all Councillors for discussion. **MT**

Mr Miles was thanked for his advice, which will remain an item on the HFL agenda.

**H-668 Apologies:**

Cllrs S Hagen, L Cook, C McCarthy, R Mimmack,

**H-669 Declarations of Interest**

None recorded

**H-670 Minutes of the Meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2015**

Consideration for approval deferred.

**H-671 Matters Arising from the above Minutes**

(a) Signage at the A46/A4 roundabout – to deter HGV traffic - was investigated and S Chiffers/S Cox are progressing.

(b) Repairs to 2 x Noticeboards in progress by HS.

Noticeboards to be recovered from HS for mounting at Eagle Road and Elmhurst. **SF**

**H-672 Park & Ride Proposals.**

(a) A joint Rejection - with Bathampton - letter issued to P Dawson with hard copies to all B&NES Cabinet members and MPS.

(b) The P&R will now NOT be an agenda item at the B&NES Cabinet Meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> November.

(c) The P&R will be an agenda item at the full B&NES Council Meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm in the Guild Hall. A speaking slot for GR has been confirmed for this Meeting. **GR**

(d) This Meeting agreed that ALL B&NES Ward Councillors will be issued with the joint Rejection letter.

(e) The Petition to reject all 3 x Meadows sites now has over 5000 signatures.

**H-673 Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs)**

(a) Responses issued Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September to meet by the B&NES timeline.

(b) B&NES has acknowledged receipt of our comments and will be considering all comments during next 4 months.

**H-674 Pavement at Shops**

(a) G Bottin (B&NES) advises that the Safety Audit is cleared and that the Planners do not need an Application for this refurbishment. Finished drawings still awaited and will be urged. **GR**

(b) SH has requested costs of alternative paving finish, but this Meeting accepted that tarmac – as all existing pavements – is acceptable.

(c) K Packer has advised that the lowering of the Pedestrian Crossing illegal height will occur at the same time as the Pavement refurbishment.

**H-675 Highways Concerns**

(a) Separate listing issued to all HFL members, requesting B&NES to add to their capital expenditures programme.

(b) Pending B&NES advice the above listing will be included in the Precept submission.

**H-676 Bannerdown Road Pavement**

(a) Meeting and site visit held with S Chiffers (B&NES) on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

(b) A 1 metre wide low-edged pavement on the RH side (looking up) agreed and SC proposes to include the capital costs into the B&NES Transport budget.

(c) Councillors will be invited to consider the “faux” pavement in concrete/resin as proposed by resident M Chambers – as H-667 above.

**H-677 Estate Concerns**

(a) Nothing raised. CURO office did not acknowledge invitation to address this meeting.

**H-678 Street Cleansing**

(a) Meeting held with Patricia Vincent (B&NES) on 13<sup>th</sup> October to review progress of the Parish Sweeper Scheme.

(b) Non-payments of the Agency Sweeping allowance over the past 2 months were raised, and subsequently cleared

(c) The mechanical sweeping of roads and gutters has not been witnessed for some time and this loss is very evident. Still waiting response.

- (d) Ms Vincent was driven through the whole Village and witnessed this lack of sweeping and also all the “dropped” pavements on the Estate for which we receive NO payments.
- (e) The extreme overhanging growths off property opposite 221 London Road West is impeding traffic – nd also shown to Ms Vincent.  
This overgrowth was removed by B&NES inside the week, and ‘thanks’ sent.
- (f) Hard copies of CMcC’s update issued to all HFL members and the contents noted and agreed.  
The listing of additional equipment for the Handymen was reviewed and costs agreed for approval by BPC.
- (g) A rota of which pavements are swept, and frequency, proposed for issue on our website. **MT/CMcC**

**H-679 Litter Bins**

- (a) A survey of whether present sites are appropriate, and the Bins condition, was to be progressed by resigned HS.  
The B&NES Contractor should be able to advise which Bins are not used/infrequently used, and also which Bins need replacement.  
This advice will be sought from B&NES. **MT**

**H-680 Budget Review**

- (a) The listing of additional equipment for the Handymen was reviewed and costs agreed for approval by BPC.
- (b) A Listing for B&NES Capital Monies prepared and issued to S Chiffers (B&NES).
- (c) This Listing will be added to the HFL’s Precept preparations.

**H-681 Any Other Business**

- (a) The knocked down sign at Steway Lane has now been repaired.
- (b) A paper on “Limes disease” – which can be caught from ticks - to be published to the BPC and BF websites. **SF**
- (c) Hard copies of the “Your Care Your Way” questionnaire issued to members.  
All Councillors were invited to return their thoughts to last week’s email from the Clerk.  
Deadline for entries is this Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October and NOTHING received to date. **ALL**
- (d) SH has suggested that Christmas Decorations/Tree should be investigated – B&NES might be able to assist with “surplus” facilities.

**H-682 Press Release**

Nothing at this time.

**H-683 Date of Next Meeting**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015 at 7-15pm in The Rhymes Pavilion**

**Chairman..... Date.....**