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MINUTES OF TRAFFIC TRANSPORT & FOOTPATHS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
27th October 2023 AT STONELEIGH, WALDITCH, 3PM

| Initials: | Invited: |
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| MW | Cllr Martin Warne (Chair) |
| CA | Cllr Chris Addis |
| GS | Cllr Graham Styles |
| Clerk | Tan Cox |

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| | Declaration of any pecuniary interests relating to items in the agenda: None | |
| | Apologies: Cllr Graham Styles | |
| 1 | <p>MINUTES OF MEETING – 7th August 2023:</p> <p>The minutes of 7th August 2023 having been approved by email were posted to the website.</p> <p>MATTERS ARISING FROM MEETING ON 7th August 2023:</p> <p>Regarding Footpath W5/5 exit onto the A35 near the East Road roundabout – Cllr MW provided a summary of the situation so far on this issue. He referred to the meeting that had taken place between Dorset Council Highways (Paul Warner) and BTC (to which the Parish Council were not invited). Cllr MW said that the W5/5 footpath exit and the need for signs warning drivers of pedestrians had been raised previously by the Parish Council but had not been included in this discussion.</p> <p>Cllr MW also referred to the need for a zebra crossing at the junction of the A35 and Hollow Way and a pedestrian crossing at Pasture Way.</p> <p>Cllr MW will contact the Town Clerk (WA) and the Highways Agency (PW) to ask for further discussions on these matters.</p> | Cllr MW |

Cllr M Warne
Minutes agreed: Chairman

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| 1 | <p>ITEM REFERRED TO MAIN COMMITTEE 11th September 2023</p> <p>Regarding 20s Plenty – The Clerk confirmed that she had sent the item (Motion from 20s Plenty Campaign chief Dilys Gartside) on 11th September with a note that the issue dates back to April 2023, unfortunately the Parish Council is out of time to make a contribution via the Motion. Councillors confirmed that they had read Cllr GS's email dated 22nd October regarding 20s Plenty and the issues regarding the A35.</p> <p>The Clerk confirmed however that the Parish Council have already asked Dorset Council for 20mph on many of the roads throughout both villages, and that BTC is also campaigning for this.</p> <p>It was agreed that this will be a 'legacy issue' that cannot be resolved in the time left that we have before abolition.</p> | |
| 2 | <p>MAIN BUSINESS</p> <p>Feedback from the Chair on the work of the VFO – Cllr MW referred to the email from the VFO of 16th September where he confirmed that he has made a report to Dorset Council about the steps by the lime kiln in Bothenhampton Nature Reserve (reference MNT61658).</p> <p>He also confirmed that he had worked on cutting down the nettles at the bottom of Spinners Lane and the brambles at the top. He commented that the drain at the bottom of Spinners Lane is blocked again. Cllr CA said that the silt build up at the bottom of Spinners Lane is a perennial problem that requires a permanent solution. He referred to the need for properties along the Lane to use sandbags (as a temporary solution) to prevent water entering their properties. There was some discussion around this, and it was agreed that the Clerk would draft a letter to Dorset Council Highways asking again for a permanent solution to this problem.</p> <p>It was agreed that a voucher would be purchased for the VFO to thank him for the work he has done over the year and Cllr MW will give it to him when he meets with him in November 2023. It was agreed that the matter should be referred to the F&F sub-committee retrospectively.</p> <p>Hollow Way – there was some discussion around this problem and whether or not Dorset Council had tackled any of the issues raised by both the Parish Council and Bothenhampton residents. Cllr MW agreed to have a walk along the site and report back.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr MW</p> |

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| | <p>WATAG – Cllr MW confirmed that, as agreed previously, no parish councillor is able to attend WATAG, however he had read the minutes received on 10th October. Two points to note are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The recently appointed Chair of WATAG has resigned and the outgoing Chair Bob Driscoll has taken over temporarily, and • The Axe Valley Ring and Ride Service are withdrawing the West Dorset Section of their route. | |
| 3 | <p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>None</p> | |

Date of next Traffic, Transport and Footpaths sub-committee meeting: 26th January 2024 at Stoneleigh, Walditch at 3pm.

SUMMARY OF AGREED ACTIONS – 27th October 2023:

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| Regarding Footpath W5/5 exit onto the A35 near the East Road roundabout –contact the Town Clerk (WA) and the Highways Agency (PW) to ask for further discussions on these matters. | Cllr MW | 1 |
| Spinners Lane – draft a letter to Dorset Council Highways asking again for a permanent solution to drainage problems. | Clerk | 2 |
| Hollow Way – look at the site and report back. | Cllr MW | 2 |

ITEMS ROLLED OVER – 27th October 2023:

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| None | | |

RECOMMENDATIONS REFERRED TO MAIN COMMITTEE – 14th November 2023

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| None | |

RECOMMENDATIONS REFERRED TO OSPA SUB-COMMITTEE – 22nd January 2024

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| None | |

RECOMMENDATIONS REFERRED TO F & F SUB-COMMITTEE – 26th January 2024

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| Retrospective approval for purchase of £50 voucher for VFO | 2 |