

## Bothenhampton & Walditch

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# TRAFFIC, TRANSPORT AND FOOTPATHS SUB-COMMITTEE held at GREYSTONES at 3.30pm on 21st FEBRUARY 2020

| Initials: | Invited:                  |
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| MW        | Cllr Martin Warne (Chair) |
| CA        | Cllr Chris Addis          |
| JB        | Cllr Jim Basker           |
| Clerk     | Tan Cox                   |

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|     | Declaration of any pecuniary interests relating to items in the agenda: None  |        |
|     | Apologies: None   |        |
|     | Main Business   |        |
|     | State of Walditch Road  |        |
|     | There was discussion around the various potholes along Walditch Road.  Cllr JB said that some of the ones he had referred to at the last meeting have still not been dealt with.  |        |
|     | There was discussion around the Walditch Speed Limit reduction and Cllr CA brought councillors up to date with the latest position (Clerk has written to Dorset Council for an update). The clerk confirmed there had been no response yet.   |        |
|     | The Clerk advised that Dorset Council has a 'traffic' portal that can be accessed by councillors to report a problem. ( <a href="https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/Report-other-highways-issue">https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/Report-other-highways-issue</a> ) |        |
|     | It was agreed that councillors would access the portal and report any further road problems.  | All    |

Minutes agreed: Chairman Www on 1st May 2020

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|     | State of Walditch Road (cont)  |        |
|     | Cllr MW has been contacted by a Walditch resident about a damaged fence in the field adjoining the Hyde and that cows could get out onto the road. It was agreed that Cllr JB would investigate who owned the land and contact them.   | JB     |
|     | <b>Burton Road Safety</b> – this relates to emails from Cleeves Palmer and Dorset Council. The parish council has written to both and the matter is now closed.  |        |
|     | <b>Sea Road South and vicinity</b> – this relates to a hand-written letter received from a resident (Ray J). Mr J had complained about various issues relating to Sea Road South and the surrounding area (traffic and road safety).   |        |
|     | It was agreed that Cllr MW will telephone Ray J to let him know that he can access Dorset Council's traffic portal and report all the problems he has identified himself.  | MW     |
|     | Crock Lane – this relates to emails received from Ms Emma Gumbrill, a resident of Crock Lane and to emails received from Dorset Council. It was concluded that this matter cannot be progressed as Crock Lane has already been granted a Traffic Regulation Order for 30mph. No further action.  |        |
|     | Bran Acres (Coastal Ranger – Dorset Council) Mr Acres had requested a list of the footpaths in order of importance from Cllr JB in order to prioritise work on the footpaths within Bothenhampton and Walditch. (Part of the footpath grading exercise). Cllr JB had highlighted two footpaths in particular, both the responsibility of the Dorset Council, which are impassable. Both are in the Parish of Shipton Gorge but used by people from our parish to go to Shipton Gorge. Cllr JB said that Mr Goff has been contacted and has referred the parish council to Mr Acres. Cllr JB said that the list of footpaths has not been compiled yet and it is hoped that the volunteer footpaths officer can take this on. |        |
|     | <b>WATAG</b> AGM – 23 <sup>rd</sup> January, Cllr CA had attended and reported back to the Main Committee. Cllrs CA and MW will attend future meetings on an alternating basis.  |        |
|     | Volunteer Footpaths Officer – the job description was discussed and updated accordingly. Interview of applicant to take place on 24 <sup>th</sup> February at 2pm. Cllr JB to provide the successful applicant with a footpaths map.   | JB     |

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|     | Any Other Business  |        |
|     | The parish council had awarded a grant to <b>Axe Valley and West Dorset Ring &amp; Ride</b> and they had responded by inviting a councillor to their next committee meeting. It was agreed that no councillor was available to attend, however the Clerk will ask for a copy of the minutes.  | TC     |
|     | <b>Statement of withdrawal of bus services</b> (Crewkerne bus). This relates to an email received from Bridport Town Council (Town Clerk) following the latest cut in bus services in West Dorset, Bridport Town Council had agreed the attached public statement, which they intend to publish as an open letter to Dorset Council. Councillors agreed overwhelmingly to support the Statement and the Clerk emailed this support to the Town Clerk on 6 <sup>th</sup> February. No further action is necessary. |        |
|     | A35 Trunk Road – this item relates to an email from Chideock Parish Council to gain support for a meeting with other parishes to discuss common issues with regarding the A35 Trunk Road (eg speed, volume of traffic (cars and HGVs), air pollution etc) and to formulate a joint approach to Highways England. This was agreed and the Clerk is to ask for dates of forthcoming meetings.   | TC     |
|     | The meeting ended at 4.40 and the Clerk reminded councillors of the date of next meeting – 1st May 2020 at 3pm. Note new date   |        |

#### **SUMMARY OF AGREED ACTIONS – 21st February 2020**

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| Regarding Parish Road Problems - councillors to access the Dorset Council portal and report any further road problems.                                       | All   | 1    |
| Regarding Cows on Walditch Road – investigate who owned the land and contact them.   | JB    | 2    |
| Regarding Sea Road South and Vicinity – telephone Ray J and ask him to report road problems via Dorset Council portal.                                       | MW    | 2    |
| Regarding Volunteer Footpaths Officer – provide with footpaths map.  | JB    | 2    |
| Regarding Axe Valley and West Dorset Ring & Ride - Clerk contacted Jane Hopson Hill for a copy of the minutes of meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 | TC    | 3    |
| Regarding A35 Trunk Road - email sent to Clerk of Chideock Parish Council 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2020 requesting dates of future meetings                 | TC    | 3    |

#### **SUMMARY OF ROLLED OVER ITEMS – 21st February 2020**

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