

Minutes of the Highways Committee – 9th March 2009
Held at The Brokeridge Centre, Woodend Road, Frampton Cotterell

Present: Mr J Farbrother (Chairman), Mr D Broome, and Mr D Hockey,
Mr B Hendy, and Mrs J Rowan

Apologies: Ms S Kitching, Mr D Manfield, and B King

154 Emergency Evacuation Procedure

The Chairman drew attention to the emergency evacuation procedure.

155 Declarations of Interest under the Local Government Act 1972

- Cllr D Hockey declared that the participation of those Parish Councillors who are also members of South Gloucestershire District Council in both the debate and any subsequent vote on matters contained in the agenda would be on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information currently available to the Parish Council. Parish Council members who are also District Councillors reserved their final views until they were in full possession of all relevant information both for and against.

156 Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Highways Committee Meeting of 26th January 2008 be confirmed and signed.

157 Matters Arising from the Minutes

a Min 146(a) Bus Shelters on the Bristol Road

A reply was still awaited from SGC.

This was noted.

RESOLVED to recommend:

- To write to Peter Walker, (officer for Public Transport), to gain information as to what plans have been made for the provision of Bus Shelters

b Min 146b) meeting with Tracey Hamblett

Dave Hockey reported on the meeting with Tracey Hamblett

- *Perrinpit Road* – Speed checks Pat Hockey will write to Malcolm Price Valley Road Police, at Portishead to request speed checks be carried out. Dave Hockey has looked at viable sites along Perrinpit Road and has identified a number of sites along the straight where he thinks the speed checks can be carried out safely.

Dave Hockey stated that Speed Check data from South Gloucestershire Council will be delivered to councillors via the Clerk or Deputy Clerk.

Dave Hockey reported that the Kelbra Twinning sign is missing

- *Pedestrian Refuge on Church Road* – Phase 1 has been completed. Dave Hockey commented that Frome Valley Area Forum have approved £10,000 for phase 2 at School road. Tracey Hamblett stated that due to July 2008 budget restraints no feasibility will be undertaken for this project at this point.
- *Church Road speeding* – A vehicle activated sign positioned in Church Road between 17th December 2008 and 5th January 2009 recorded 85% speed at 32mph. It was noted that this suggests drivers are complying with speed limits *Prospect Lane* It was reported that Cllr Pat Hockey has written to Peter Hart at South Gloucestershire Council with regards to the adoption process for Prospect Lane. Cllr Pat hockey asked what the process would be for “class 4 highway adoption”.

RESOLVED:

- To write to Tracey Hamblett and thank her for the meeting and to ask if this could be set up as an annual event.
- To gain details for A4 highway and get information ready for next parish council meeting of the 6th April.
- To write to Street Care with regards to missing Kelbra twinning sign

c Min 146(Confirmation of purchase of map)

Cllr Farbrother provided information needed to purchase the map.

Resolved:

- Clerk to purchase the map

The map size is 916 x 650mm at a cost of £74.90 to include lamination

d Min 146(d) next meeting of the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Liaison Group

It was reported that no further information had been provided by SGC to date.

Cllr Dave Hockey will write to Rennie Dickens

158 Current Problems with Road, Footpaths and Bridleways

A request was received from a local resident to trim the trees near the footpath between The Land and Lower Chapel Lane. Cllr Dave Hockey suggested contacting

Ms Chudley South Gloucestershire Council for a site visit.

Resolved:

- Clerk to contact Ms Chudley South Gloucestershire Council for site visit

159 Revised Path Order Policy

Improvement project, Cllr Dave Hockey commented that we either comment on this or do not take it further; Cllr Dave Hockey mentioned that when we write to Rennie Dickens we ask what the closure date is for this. Cllr John Farbrother suggested he and Cllr Hockey discuss this at the next Parish Council meeting

160 Correspondence

Spring Clean 2009 – South Gloucestershire initiative to set up events for litter picking. The Parish council received a form to request bin bags, gloves and skips for these events

Resolved:

- Clerk to contact Mrs Dunford (Village Action) to see if her group would be interested in organising an event.

Telephone call from a local resident re Virgin Media boxes – The resident expressed her concerns at the graffiti on the Virgin Media boxes and also the litter around the Brockeridge Centre

Resolved:

- To write to Virgin Media to look at removing the graffiti and possible graffiti free boxes. Ask the caretaker to keep the Brockeridge hedges litter free.

Frome Valley Exhibition Panels – Email from Ms Spiers (SGC) to say that electronic copies of the panels are at www.fromewalkway.org.uk/photosurvey.html. Any comments or suggestions to reach her by Friday 27th March

Ridings Road Email – A local resident had expressed concerns at parking on the grass verge at Ridings Road. PC Barraclough has been out to the site and does not feel that there is an issue with child safety other than a child falling on the rutted land after a car has parked there.

Resolved –

- To email the resident and thank him for his concerns and advise him of PC Barraclough's findings.

161 Any other business

None

162 Date of Next Meeting

MONDAY 20TH APRIL 2009 AT 6:30PM AT THE BROCKERIDGE CENTRE.