

Minutes of the Highways Committee – 7th June 2005
Held at The Pavilion, The Park, School Road, Frampton Cotterell

Present: Mr G Hayter (Chairman), Mr T Clothier, Mr D Broome, Mr D Hockey, Mr R King, Mr D Manfield and Mr C North

Apologies: Mr G Filer

270 Election of Chairman of the Committee

Following a proposal from Cllr Manfield, seconded by Cllr D Hockey it was:

RESOLVED: That Cllr Hayter be Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

271 Election of Vice-Chairman of the Committee

Following a proposal from Cllr Broome, seconded by Cllr Manfield it was:

RESOLVED: That Cllr D Hockey be Vice-Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

272 Declarations of Interest under the Local Government Act 1972

- Cllr D Hockey is a South Gloucestershire Councillor

273 Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of 3rd May 2005 be confirmed and signed

274 Matters Arising from the Minutes

a Min 260(b) Provision for Improvements to the Hillyfields Footpath LFC34

It was reported that next to the kissing gate at the Court Road end there is a gap which is wide enough for motor cycles to get through, however, it was noted that there are no barriers at the Harris Barton end.

- This was noted with no recommendation for the gap to be closed.

b Min 261(a) Consideration of Traffic-Control around the Triangle opposite The Rising Sun

Concerns were reported of dangers from speeding cars and parked cars travelling from Church Road towards Woodend Road, because the road suddenly narrows past the triangle island and continuing along Ryecroft Road.

- The Clerk was asked draw these problems to SGC's attention.

c Min 263 Provision to Register The Glebe Land as a Village Green

It was agreed to leave this in abeyance for the time being.

d Min 249(d) Support and Funding for the N50 Night Bus

It was reported that the Joint Interest Committee meeting had considered this and agreed that it felt the bus should be funded on usage figures.

- The Clerk was asked to write to SGC (with copies to all parishes involved) confirming that Frampton Cotterell is firmly committed to its share of the cost based on usage figures and is happy to pay up to £1,000, but if the final cost were to be in excess of that amount, the Parish Council would need to consider it separately.

e Min 250(g) Meeting with Mr Brookman

Cllrs Hayter and King had met Mr Brookman and suggested that the area of derelict land adjacent to the bakery could be cleared and tarmaced to create additional short-term parking for customers. It was reported that Mr Brookman was reasonably amenable to the suggestion.

- The Clerk was asked to write to SGC and seek advice about the best way for Mr Brookman to undertake this, and ask for a meeting which the Parish Council could attend.
- The Clerk was asked to copy this letter to Mr Brookman and suggest that he may like to include the postmaster in discussions as any measures taken could benefit both businesses.

275 Current Problems with Roads, Footpaths and Bridleways

a Nightingale Bridge

Cllr D Hockey reported three bicycles in the river. This was noted.

Cllr D Hockey further reported that stones were again missing from the top of the bridge.

- The Clerk was asked to report this to SGC.

b Near to 357 Church Road

Low overhanging branches were reported to be obstructing the highway.

- The Clerk was asked to request the householder to cut these branches back upon receiving confirmation from Cllr Hayter of exactly which property was affected.

c Site of Former Garages at Bell Road

It was reported that this area is still attracting a lot of problems. A Neighbourhood Watch meeting was being set up to talk with PC Barraclough to consider if it is appropriate to gate this path.

- Cllr Hayter agreed to attend this meeting and report back.

276 Consideration of Improvements to Church Road/Lower Stone Close Junction

At the Annual Parish Meeting a resident had requested measures to ease accessibility for traffic using this junction.

- The Clerk was asked to request an on site meeting at a time when problems are probable.

277 Consideration for improvements to Park Lane/Clyde Road Junction

At the Annual Parish Meeting a resident had requested measures to control speeding traffic and make the junction safer for pedestrians including pupils en route to school. A further request had been received from a resident of Park Lane.

- The Clerk was asked to report this to SGC and ask for an onsite meeting at school time in order to examine the problems and seek advice on the best way forward.

278 Acknowledgements from SGC Highways Department

a The following were acknowledged:

Reported problems:

- Frome Valley Walkway sign missing at Rectory Road
- Deteriorating road surface outside the Globe Public House
- Missing street name plates at Heather Avenue.
- Inconsiderate/illegal parking at the Junction of Footes Lane/Beesmoor Road

- Request for proposed additions to the definitive map

b Litter Bin outside the Post Office

A new bin had now been installed.

- This was noted.

c Request for Pedestrian Controlled Crossing at the Bristol Road/Perrinpit Road Junction

SGC informed that the request had been placed on the traffic management task register and will be referred to the Area Forum towards the end of this financial year.

- This was noted and the Clerk was asked to inform the C of E School of the problems being experienced by parents trying to take children safely to school.

d Surface Dressing Park Lane and Lower Stone Close

SGC informed that the length of Park Lane from Heather Avenue to Badminton Road was resurfaced last year with the remainder to be done in 2005/06.

Lower Stone Close is due to be resurfaced in the summer holidays.

- These were noted.

279 Request to Restrict Traffic Accessing Brockridge Lane

Mrs Bray of Brockridge Lane had written to express her concerns at an increasing use of Brockridge Lane by non-resident traffic.

- The Clerk was asked to forward Mrs Bray's concerns to SGC asking for advice.

280 Footpath Between The Land and Lower Chapel Lane

A request had been received that the overgrowth here should be cut back.

- The Clerk was asked to ask the handyman and/or SGC as appropriate to carry this out.

281 SGC Quality of Life Indictors 6th Annual Report.

- The Clerk was asked to put this on the next Highways Agenda.

282 Date of Next Meeting

TUESDAY 5TH JULY 2005 AT 7:00 PM AT THE PAVILION