

**Minutes of the Highways Committee – 6<sup>th</sup> September 2005**  
**Held at The Pavilion, The Park, School Road, Frampton Cotterell**

**Present:** Mr G Hayter (Chairman), Mr D Broome, Mr T Clothier, Mr G Filer, Mr D Hockey, Mr D Manfield and Mr C North.

**Also Present:** Mr S Wilson (part)

**Apologies:** Mr R King

**293 Declarations of Interest under the Local Government Act 1972**

- Cllr D Hockey is a South Gloucestershire Councillor.

**294 Confirmation of Minutes**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> July 2005 be confirmed and signed subject to the following amendment:

- *Min 291, last sentence should read interest, not interestING*

**295 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

*a Min 285(d) Site Meetings on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2005 ref Traffic Speeds along Park Lane*

The clerk had written to SGC as instructed by the Parish Council (*min 584*). It was reported that the original recommendation to put traffic controls at the junction at Church Road/Badminton Road had been changed following a fatal road accident at the Beesmoor Road/Badminton Road junction (the Parish Council had not objected).

**RESOLVED to recommend:**

- The Parish Council should push SGC for further consideration of the installation of traffic lights at the junction of Church Road/Badminton Road.

*b Min 288 Residents' Concerns of Traffic Volume/Speed along Beesmoor Road*

An e-mail had been received from Mrs Wright concerning this.

It was noted that all these concerns help to enforce the Parish Council's requests for control at the Badminton Road/Church Road junction.

It was further noted that a priority system may have the effect of narrowing the road and being able to widen the footpath.

The Clerk was asked to:

- Respond that the Parish Council shares Mrs Wright's concerns
- Forward Mrs Wright's e-mail to SGC.
- Ask SGC if a "priority system" may be a solution to the problems being experienced at the narrows in Park Lane

**296 Current Problems with Roads, Footpaths and Bridleways**

*a Missing Street Nameplates - Heather Avenue/Park Lane and Heather Avenue/Beesmoor Road*

These had been reported to SGC on at least five occasions since 1<sup>st</sup> February 2005.

The Clerk was asked to chase SGC and point out the Parish Council's concerns at the time delay being experienced.

*b Ryecroft Road Outside Ryecroft Court*

Works to the footpath had left the Telewest chamber not properly replaced and causing a hazard.

- The Clerk was asked to request that this is attended to urgently.

*c Works by Network Rail to the Viaduct at Park Lane*

Concerns were expressed that when works are undertaken at the Frampton Cotterell side next year, there may be problems with heavy lorries coming through the village.

- The Clerk was asked to request that SGC takes these concerns into consideration when the works are due to be undertaken.

*d Works to the Field at the Junction of Park Lane/Heather Avenue*

Concerns were expressed that this may cause problems with the drainage systems. Problems of ponding after rain had been reported in Park Lane/Heather Avenue.

- The Clerk was asked to write to SGC and ask whether the works are connected with drainage and if they are related to the lack of a drainage system on Park Lane.

*e Overgrowth Obscuring Road Signs.*

Concerns were raised that many road signs are being obscured by overgrowth which is in need of cutting back.

- Cllrs Hayter and Manfield to liaise and inform the Clerk of specific signs in the parish which need to be reported.

*f Double Bend Indication Sign in Perrinpit Road*

This was reported to be turned around to face in the wrong direction. Concerns were raised that when trying to report this to SGC, extreme telephone queues had been experienced.

- Cllr D Hockey reported that the issue of telephone responses was being addressed by SGC.
- The Clerk was asked to report the displaced sign to SGC.

*g Turning Circle Outside Frome House, Rectory Road*

It was reported that the turning circle could not be negotiated because of branches from a willow tree at 16 Rectory Road.

- The Clerk was asked to request that the branches are cut back so as not to obstruct the road.

*h Dial House, Park Lane Boundary*

Overgrowth here was reported to still be obstructing the very narrow footway. This had been previously reported to the householder and SGC.

- The Clerk was asked to report this to SGC again explaining how narrow the path is and how badly this needs to be cut back.

*i Funfair Vehicle Parked in Park Lane opposite the Wooden Road Junction*

Concerns were expressed that these were being parked here for long periods of time.

- Cllrs agreed to monitor the situation and report back if necessary.

*j Litter Bins at the Hillyfields*

It was reported that these bins are still not being emptied regularly, creating a health hazard.

- The Clerk was asked to write to SGC PROW and complain that the agreement to empty the bins is not being upheld and ask them to deal with it.

*k Resurfacing of Lower Stone Close*

It was noted that this had been completed, but that because works had started earlier than notified, the local businesses had been upset that they had not been notified of the changes. This appeared to have not been handled well by SGC. This was noted.

It was further noted that Woodend Road from Lower Stone Close to the Badminton Road had still to be resurfaced.

- The Clerk was asked to request that SGC considers having these works undertaken as soon as possible.

**297 SGC – Parking for large Vehicles**

Resolved to recommend that the Parish Council should respond:

- There are no A roads or Truck Roads and a 7½ tonne weight limit is in place throughout the village.

**298 Provisional Joint Local Plan**

Cllr Hayter had studied this and made notes (*attached*).

- Cllrs were asked to consider this and the Clerk was asked to place this on the next Agenda.

**299 The Triangle opposite the Rising Sun**

SGC had responded that there had been no personal injury accidents here and suggested that advisory “Keep Clear” markings which would remove parked vehicles could have the effect of potentially higher speeds. He offered to erect a “Road Narrows on Both Sides” sign.

- The Clerk was asked to respond that the Parish Council did not feel that a sign would help the situation.

**300 Request for Traffic Restriction in Brockridge Lane**

SGC had responded that stopping non-residents from using a particular road would only displace the problem to another location. He did point out the “Quiet Lanes Initiative” which is being piloted elsewhere and would keep the request on file for future reference.

This was noted.

**301 Missing Stones on Nightingale Bridge**

It was reported that these had now been replaced.

**302 Letter from Mr Pursey of Robel Avenue**

Mr Pursey had expressed concerns about vehicles parking very close to the junction at the Church Road end of Western Avenue. The letter had been forwarded to SGC. This was noted.

**303 Missing Posts at Mill Lane.**

It was reported that these had now been replaced. This was noted.

**304 Land Adjacent to Brookmans Bakery**

SGC had responded that this was being looked into. Mrs Beecher of Ridgeway had expressed concerns at the potential loss of the Blackberry Patch and Orchard here and Cllr Hayter had contacted her to explain the actions being taken. This was noted.

**305 Concerns about Parking at the Frampton End Road/Church Road Junction**

A letter of complaint had been received of vehicles constantly parking on and obstructing the footway here. The Clerk was asked to:

- Draw this to PC Barraclough’s attention.
- Refer the complaint to SGC and ask if it would be possible to put bollards into position if appropriate.

**306 Date of Next Meeting**

**TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2005 AT 7:00 PM AT THE PAVILION**