

Batheaston Parish Council

**Minutes of the Highways, Footpaths & Lighting Committee Meeting
held in The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 25th February 2014 at 7-15pm**

Present: Cllrs J Heffer (Chair), V Drew, P Fear, M Johns, G Riley, V Pecchia, M Tabb & M Townley (Clerk)
Apologies: Cllr K Hawkins
In Attendance: None

H-519 Public Participation
None

H-520 Declarations of Interest
None recorded

H-521 Minutes of the Meeting held 25th February 2013
Proposed M Johns } RESOLVED - That the Minutes should be accepted as presented
Seconded P Fear }

H-522 Matters Arising from the above Minutes
(a) The Scouts have been advised that their "levelling" proposal might require a retaining wall.
(b) CURO has now been asked twice to repair Footpaths on the Estate.
(c) PF investigated parking at the Steway/Catherine Way gates and no further action proposed.

H-523 Highways Matters (fao B&NES –S Chiffers)
Steve Blackmore (B&NES) has issued an update of all the problems listed in December – using "our" numbers. The HFL's "start" date for these difficulties will be included where possible. Copy of the Update issued and reviewed at this meeting:-.

(a) 20 mph Proposals
(1) Bannerdown Road = Formal consultation complete and TRO to be advertised at the end of April.
(11) London Road East = Simon Thomas to investigate.
(b) Bannerdown Road
(4) Raise the Setts at the Barnfield Way roundabout = Not viable to pursue as cars might be damaged.
(6) Provide pavement from Barnfield Way to High Bannerdown = Site visit booked for 29th January. Outcome?
(5) Replace missing tarmac. George Bottin has investigated and there is NO tarmac to be replaced???
(2) Install a pavement at the bottom of the Road = Not viable to pursue.
VP will develop the Vision Plan drawing that indicates a feasible possibility. **VP**

(c) Signage
(7) Improve signage at Bathford roundabout to deter HGV traffic = Completed by Atkins.
(12) Similar signage at A4/A46 Roundabout to deter HGV traffic = Completed by Atkins.
(13) Install sign at A46 end of Solsbury Lane to deter HGV Traffic = To be investigated 29th January. Outcome?

(d) Pavement at Shops
(15) i All shopkeepers and residents in this area canvassed by KH and no dissensions to the proposals.
ii An 'open' meeting held for all residents on 13th March and – again – no dissensions to the proposals.
iii None of the above promises have been provided and VP has written again requesting the information.
iv The BPC must now consider issuing a legal notice and VD is researching, using the Disabled Access Act 2010 and other sources. **VD**

(e) Fosse Lane Gully
Repairs to the ditch are on this year's programme of works.
George Bottin is investigating for further improvements.

(f) Hollies Lane
(21) Patching Repair has failed = Contractor is to complete remedial works when inclement weather permits.
George Bottin is progressing.

(g) Bus Stops
(3) Colerne Stop on Bannerdown Road = Andy Strong investigating (394201) and update required. **MT**
(14) Stambridge Shelter on London Road East = Andy Strong investigating (394201) and update required. **MT**

(h) Pot holes
Still waiting repairs at Avon Court. To be urged. **MT**

*The Clerk proposes to email each Officer for progress updates on the majority of the above. } **MT***
A separate site meeting with Stefan Chiffers to be arranged. }

H-524 Footpath Matters and Repairs (fao B&NES –PROW)
(a) Reinstate Footpath across Solsbury Hill BA 2/53
Now fully approved and signs/stiles installation in progress
(b) New Footpath BA 2/54 proposed from BA 2/6 to Solsbury Lane.
Now fully approved and to be added to the Definitive Map.
Any obstructions to be removed and signage provided.
(c) Footpath Repairs
(16) Resurfacing of West View Road Path BA 2/50 now included in Capital programme and passed to B&NES Contractor for completion as a priority.

- (d) Crossing over River Avon
 - i Fencing is to be installed by the contractor along the new Footpath.
 - ii Contractors are to return in May to pursue new Footpath surface and install above fencing.
 - iii It is now too late for trees planting – but still programmed.
 - iv Still waiting advice that there might be an official “opening ceremony”
 - v The sign advising that the Car Park is liable to flood needs replacing. Signage requested.
- (e) LB recently presented luminescent pads that might line the bridge walkways.
The supplier to be asked to demonstrate a short section on the Bridge to assess possible light pollution. **LB**
- (f) A site meeting with Paul Mackie is proposed for next Thursday 24th April at 10.00am. **PF/PBI/JBS**
If confirmed a Bathampton representative will be invited. **MT**

H-525 Lighting Matters

- (a) Power Savings
Western Distribution has been requested (via EDF) to reduce costings. Waiting response
- (b) Muddy Lane Light.
- (10) Stephen Burrell investigating = Scheme is being prioritised and will be constructed subject to sufficient funds being made available

H-526 Parking – TRO 2013 (Northend and Estate)

- (a) Very positive response from B&NES officers who reviewed the HFL Survey of the Estate.
B&NES is now progressing the agreed actions, but advise not until late 2015.
- (9) Kris Gardom investigating.
- (17) Remove lines in School Lane. Kris Gardom investigating.
- (b) The Cluster Meeting 26th February promised an investigation on the legality of burning off unwanted yellow lines. Cllr David Dixon to be asked to progress. **MT**

H-527 Any Other Business

- (a) The lease for the Toilet block ceases on 4th June. The formal notices to quit will be issued next week to the Locking Agent, Wessex Water and British Gas.
All services will be switched off and meter readings taken on Tuesday 3rd June 2014 **MT**
- (b) The B&NES Parks Department has given notice that our “Gardening” contract will cease on 1st June.
This Meeting agreed that this notice is ‘too soon’ and 1st July is preferred. **MT**
- (c) A new Litter bin has been installed by the Steway Lane gates. Resiting besides the Bus Stop at the top of Catherine Way preferred and to be requested. **MT**
- (d) The Government has just published a “Right-to-Buy” policy. The BPC to register its interest. **MT**
- (e) The BPC to consider having a “Post Office” ‘champion’. **ALL**

H-529 Press Release

A statement about the Shops Pavement is under revision – for possible issue when completed? **VP**

H-530 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 27th May 2014 at 7-15pm in The Rhymes Pavilion

Chairman..... Date.....