

Batheaston Parish Council

Minutes of the Highways, Footpaths & Lighting Committee Meeting held in The Rhymes Pavilion on Wednesday 16th March 2011 at 7-15pm

Present : Cllrs K Hawkins (Chair), J Heffer, D Lavington & M Townley (Clerk)
Apologies: Cllrs M Johns, D Robins, M Tabb
In Attendance: None

- H-279 Election of Vice-Chairman**
As there is only one more HFL meeting before the elections DL or DR will satisfy any need for a Vice-Chairman.
- H-280 Minutes of the Meeting held 11th January 2011**
Proposed J Heffer } RESOLVED - That the Minutes be accepted as presented
Seconded D Lavington } (Unanimously)
- H-281 Matters Arising from the above Minutes**
- (a) Progress on a resident's request for another 'disabled' bay at the shops to be pursued. **MT**
 - (b) The Cluster meeting confirmed that the 2 missing Litter Bins would be replaced in the new financial year.
 - (c) The Cluster meeting also confirmed that a possible supply of "bagged" salt might be issued for our Handymen use.
- H-282 Correspondence**
- (a) B&NES has issued their proposed Highways Capital expenditure programme.
- H-283 High Street – Traffic Calming (fao –S Chiffers)**
- (a) "Safe-route-to-School" for LRE children. Still waiting B&NES investigations.
The VCC might offer alternatives.
- H-284 Pavement at Shops**
- (a) The VCC is considering alternatives so "our" design will not be pursued at this time.
- H-285 Bannerdown Road – Traffic Calming**
- (a) Expansion at Colerne Stores. Application still pending.
 - (b) "Processing" continuing at the Stores. Wilts Council has confirmed that "manufacturing or Processing" is contrary to permitted use and their Enforcement officers are pursuing.
 - (c) Alternative Route Recent resurfacing works on the road 'force' use of the alternative Ditteridge route for HGV's and buses.
 - (d) Planning Application to develop housing at land besides 'Wilmslow' Opportunity to provide alternative pavement must be highlighted when the Application is considered by the PEC
- H-286 Highways & Pavements - Parking & Repairs (fao – Chris Haines)**
- (a) Double yellow at corners of Elmhurst and Avoncourt and Steway Lane/Catherine Way. Completed OK
- H-287 P.R.O.W – Footpath Matters and Repairs (fao B&NES – S Ballard)**
- (a) Reinstate Footpath across Solsbury Hill Request is now 11th in the queue.
Legalities now in progress by Graham Stark
 - (b) Condition of all Rural Footpaths P Giles almost completed surveys.
 - (c) Kissing Gate on BA 2/6 is rotted. Replacement to be urged.
- H-288 Park & Ride, Training Grounds & Link Road**
- (a) Letters to The Chronicle and new Transport Commission in preparation – highlighting the very poor value-for-money of the BTP.
 - (b) The next Group meeting is being arranged.
- H-289 New School Hall Parking/Bridge**
- (a) The Planning application to provide an access road and 12 parking spaces has been approved. Needs an investment of £25000 to complete.
 - (b) The School's "Meadows Improvement" has planted new trees where the parking spaces are proposed. *(The School has confirmed that these Trees are slow-growing and it is intended that they are to be resited.)*
- H-290 Joint Local Transport Plan Update**
- (a) No further progress from B&NES
- H-291 River Avon Footbridge Update**
- (a) The Cluster meeting confirmed B&NES intention to pursue and positive dialogue already in progress with the VCC

H-292 Street Lights Need

- (a) Investigations still in progress into improvements in Muddy Lane lighting. **MTa**
- (b) The need for another Light on Muddy Lane will be requested from B&NES. **MT**
- (c) The 2 existing Lights in Northend/St Catherines Lane might be switched off – to save maintenance and power. Residents queried and only one response received suggesting that at least one light might be “switched-off”. No action at this time.

H-293 Any Other Business

- (a) There is a ‘rotting’ noticeboard sited at the bus-stop at the bottom of Elmhurst hill. This Committee recommends that a new unit be installed at £200 – to provide a 6th BPC unit.
- (b) The elections this year proposes a continuing use of the Youth Club buildings – being closed in April? B&NES to be advised that the more central Rhymes Pavilion might be considered in the future. **MT**
- (c) Vandals are damaging the War Memorial in the church grounds. Who affects repairs/protection? **MT**

H-294 Press Release

Nothing at this time

H-295 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 26th April 2011 at 7-15pm in The Rhymes Pavilion

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