

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

H-506 Public Participation
None

H-507 Election of Chairman – for this Meeting only

Proposed	M Johns	}	RESOLVED -	That Cllr P Fear be elected as Chairman for this Meeting.
Seconded	M Tabb	}		

H-508 Declarations of Interest
None recorded

H-509 Minutes of the Meeting held 24th January 2013

Proposed	K Hawkins	}	RESOLVED -	That the Minutes should be accepted as presented
Seconded	M Johns	}		

H-510 Matters Arising from the above Minutes

- (a) B&NES has asked that all the Place-Making papers be issued to our Website. **VP/PF**
- (b) Potential "gateway" in wall besides the Car Sales Outlet in London Road East queried with B&NES as a possible breach of planning control.
- (c) This Committee's request for bus stops is being investigated by Tom Alexander (B&NES)

H-511 Highways Matters (fao B&NES –S Chiffers)

*Steve Blackmore (B&NES) has issued a listing of all the problems indicated in his December appraisal visit
Copy attached as a separate appendix*

- (a) 20 mph Proposals
B&NES will shortly advertise and – subject to satisfactory completion of statutory procedures – works might commence this April/May
- (b) Bannerdown Road Progress
B&NES is not being "forceful" about this problem and facing another £300,000 costs to repair the bends above The Mount. Raise at the cluster Meeting on 26th February.
- (c) Pavement at Shops
 - i B&NES has promised their capital monies for the BPC to manage the improvement
 - ii B&NES asked to provide all Services drawings, or data on service providers.
 - iii When the Services drawings are available quotation to be requested from Bridge Crossing Contractor.
- (d) Fosse Lane Gully
Works completed but now a complete "sinking" mess. "Patching" has now crumbled.
Cllr Veal has been asked to pursue his investigations. **MV**
- (e) Bannerdown Road – Missing Tarmac
Neighbour believes he has ownership of the adjoining verge. To be challenged by B&NES. **MT**
- (f) Signage
Various additional signs requested – to restrict HGV traffic through the village, and acknowledged by B&NES as in hand.
- (g) Gullies/Drains
Action to clear blocked drains to be requested for Bannerdown road and Solsbury Lane. Ref 12110/12111
- (h) Damaged Street Lights
 - iv The cast iron base is broken on the Light between 104 and 106 Northend. Repairs in progress.
 - v A Lamp in the main Car Park is on 24 hours/day. Reported and B&NES repair in hand.

H-512 Footpath Matters and Repairs (fao B&NES –PROW)

- (a) Reinstate Footpath across Solsbury Hill BA 2/53
 - vi Now fully approved and signs/stiles installation in progress
 - vii New Footpath BA 2/54 proposed from BA 2/6 to Solsbury Lane.
Now no objections and B&NES PROW team is progressing approval.
- (b) Footpath Repairs
Resurfacing of West view road Path BA 2/50 costed by B&NES PROW team at £2620.
Costings to be considered at the next GPC Meeting on 11th March 2014. **GPC**
- (c) Crossing over River Avon
 - viii The bad weather has delayed completion, but Contractors are progressing.
A "formal" opening date to be requested at the 26th February Cluster Meeting.
 - ix The Car Park 'boom' was to be repaired by the contractors but boom was not removed.
 - x Fencing is planned to be installed by the contractor along the new Footpath.
 - xi The sign advising that the Car Park is liable to flood needs replacing. Signage requested.

H-513 Lighting Matters

- (a) Power Savings
xii Western Distribution has been requested (via EDF) to reduce costings. Waiting response
- (b) Muddy Lane Light.
xiii Being investigated by Stephen Burrell (B&NES)

H-514 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.
- (b) A similar survey of Northend is to be progressed. **PF**
- (c) A “Thank You” note to be sent to the Steway Gates key holders who worked tirelessly through the “floods” period

H-515 Cluster Meeting – 26th February - Update

- (a) B&NES has provided only half the requested responses. Our Agenda items will be annotated with responses offered at the 26th February Meeting and issued to all Councillors.

H-516 Any Other Business

- (a) Much “fly-tipping” evidenced at the Coalpit garages and Muddy Lane areas.
- (b) The Scouts have requested works to cut into their banking. Need for a retaining wall to be advised. **MT**
- (c) Severe cracking of footpaths surfaces noted in CURO Paths on the Estate, Repairs to be requested. **MT**
- (d) B&NES has advised repair works between Solsbury Lane and Wayfield Gardens – starting Tuesday 18th March – which will close off Northend for an estimated 3 days.
- (e) It has been observed that residents are parking either side of the gates between Steway Lane and Catherine Way. The road is clearly marked with “Keep clear” signs, but there are no double yellow lines. Situation to be monitored. **PF**
- (f) Deep pothole at the bottom of Elmhurst Hill. **MT**

H-517 Press Release

Nothing at this time

H-518 Date of Next Meeting

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

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