

WESTERHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Highways and Lighting Committee Meeting held on Monday 27th April 2015 at 7.30pm in Russell House, Market Square, Westerham

Present: Councillors: Mrs L Rodgers (LR) Chair
Mr N Moore (NM)
Mr D Le Breton (DIB)
Mr S Wilkie (SW)

In attendance: Assistant Clerk: Mrs D Rogers (DR)
Two Members of the public

Item		Action
1.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> Apologies were received from Cllr Buckley due to holiday.	
2.	<u>Declarations of Interest not previously declared</u> None.	
3.	<u>Minutes of the Meeting on 2nd February 2015</u> Approved at the Council meeting on 23 rd March 2015.	
4.	<u>Information items arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda</u> None.	
5.	<u>Highways</u> <u>5.1 Parking in Westerham, (Parking Working Group)</u> Cllr Rodgers advised that the planning application for Darent overflow Car Park improvements had been submitted to Sevenoaks District Council (SDC's). Funds will need to be found to match SDC's. A resident present at the meeting requested parking measures, such as yellow lines be put in place to stop vehicles parking along Croydon Road opposite their house. The Committee although sympathetic to the increasing amount of vehicles parking along Croydon Road felt that it could not on this occasion support any new parking restriction measures due to the shortage of parking in and around the Town. The resident also raised concern of the speed vehicles travelled along Croydon Road. The Assistant Clerk advised that Speed Watch sites have been identified along Croydon Road. The resident will consider becoming a speed watch volunteer. The resident suggested additional signage along Croydon Road to slow vehicles down as they are entering the Town. Action: Assistant Clerk to look into.	DR

	<p>A resident attending the meeting raised issue of the pavements in New Street being narrow and often people with buggy's are forced to walk in the road. The issue is made worst when vehicles park on the pavement. It was reported that this can be worst at the beginning and end of the school day. Assistant Clerk to contact local school and request parents' park considerately and not on pavements.</p> <p><u>5.2 Brasted Landfill Site/Westerham Golf Course Development</u> Completion date is thought to be July 2015. Cllr Rodgers to look into.</p> <p><u>5.3 Goodley Stock Road - HGV signage</u> Request for signage had been placed with KCC. Awaiting update from KCC.</p> <p><u>5.4 A25/Goodley Stock Road Junction</u> WTC is exploring purchasing a concealed entrance sign for Farley Lane and Goodley Stock Road junction. Assistant Clerk to investigate.</p> <p><u>5.5 GO 20 Campaign</u> GO 20 posters had been put up along Croydon Road, London Road and Rysted Lane. Assistant Clerk to put up further posters along Croydon Road and London Road.</p> <p><u>5.6 New Camera on A25 – ANPR</u> An Auto Number Plate reader Camera had been installed along Westerham Road, near Valance School.</p> <p><u>5.7 Bollard, The Green</u> KCC advised that the bollard knocked down will not be replaced. The hole made by the damage had been filled with tarmac. Due to financial restraints KCC have stated that they will not be replacing pavement cobbles.</p> <p><u>5.8 Drainage issue – Willow Cottage, High Street, Westerham</u> KCC have undertaken a temporary fix. A permanent fix is required and will take place in the Summer. This will require the road to be closed.</p> <p><u>5.9 Highway Drainage Cleansing Programme 2015/16</u> Noted. Assistant Clerk to request data for Crockham Hill and French Street.</p>	<p>DR</p> <p>DR</p> <p>DR</p>
6.	<p><u>Street Lighting</u></p> <p><u>6.1 Lighting Repairs</u> Minor Repairs had been undertaken.</p> <p><u>6.2 Service Inspection Report</u> Good progress had been made with priority one and two items.</p> <p><u>6.3 Request for New Light - Oak Road</u> Consultation process completed and responses received were in favour of a new street light. Residents requested LED to be used to save energy. On 27th March an LED street light was installed.</p> <p><u>6.4 New Light along footpath SR344</u> Consultation process complete and responses received were in favour of a new light. Awaiting connection by UKPN.</p> <p><u>6.5 Electricity Contract Renewal March 2015</u> ECA (energy cost advisor group) recommended that WTC go with EON's 36 month option. Annual total cost: £6,143.89. Agreed and noted by H&L Committee.</p> <p><u>6.6 Streetlight Maintenance Contract Review</u> Noted.</p> <p><u>6.7 LED Lighting Strategy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of LED Lighting – High Street The report was presented by Cllr Rodgers to H&L Committee, who agreed to proceed. The Clerk to include on the next F&GP agenda. 	<p>AH</p>

7.	<p><u>Sevenoaks District Council</u> <u>7.1 Sevenoaks Joint Transport Board Meeting 10th March</u> Councillors Rodgers and Proudfoot attended the meeting to raise concerns regarding the proposed parking proposals affecting Westerham. Outcome following the meeting is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farley Nursery - proposal will not proceed. However the issue of illegal parking on the corner of Farley Nursery/Westbury Terrace will be looked into and yellow lines maybe required. In the meantime, the PCSO and Community Warden will issue letters to anyone parking illegally. • Black Eagle Close – Proposal going ahead • Bartlett and Delagarde Road – Proposal revisited and a reduction in the length of yellow lines is being explored. <p><u>7.2 Proposed Waiting Restrictions Consultation</u> See 7.1</p> <p><u>7.3 Parking Consultation – The Green</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor Amendment to parking bays (to create a gap for access to path across the green)- Proposal approved • Relocation of existing police bay outside Costa (no1) Proposal will not proceed. <p>It was suggested by the Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board that any future proposal(s) be considered as part of a wider review of restrictions with Westerham. Letter dated 20 April 2015 from Mr D Boston noted.</p>	
8.	<p><u>Consultations</u> None.</p>	
9.	<p><u>Financial Statement to 31st March 2015</u> Noted.</p>	
10.	<p><u>Correspondence</u> <u>10.1 Mr Peters – Hosey Common Road</u> Noted.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Reports from Councillors</u> Cllr Le Bretton raised concern over the poor condition of Hortons Way and the negative affect this may have on local shops sited along the road. Assistant Clerk to investigate ownership of road. Cllr Wilkie – Smiths Lane leak had returned. Assistant Clerk to report to waterboard.</p>	<p>DR DR</p>
12.	<p><u>Newsletter and web-site</u> LED lighting for High Street.</p>	
13.	<p><u>Matters for District and County Councillors</u> None</p>	
14.	<p><u>Further Matters for Consideration at the next meeting</u> None</p>	
15.	<p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p>	

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The meeting was concluded at 9.00 pm

Minutes confirmed as a correct record:

Chairman