

WESTERHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Highways and Lighting Committee held on
Monday 6th November 2023 at 7.00 pm at Russell House,
Market Square, Westerham

Present: Councillors: Mrs L Bird (LB) – Chairman
Mr J Lord
Mr N Proudfoot
Mr K Thompson

In attendance: Town Clerk: Miss E Rodgers (ER)
One member of the public

Item		Action
1.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> None.	
2.	<u>Declarations of Interest not previously declared</u> None.	
3.	<u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th June 2023</u> Were approved at the Council meeting on 10 th July 2023.	
4.	<u>Information items arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda</u> None.	
5.	<p><u>Highways</u></p> <p>5.1 Community Speed Watch Campaign – Congratulations were given to Hosey Hill residents who have continued to run their own sessions and have seen a noticeable difference in their results. Assistant Clerk had booked further sessions for November and December.</p> <p>5.2 Kent Police Speed Checks – Kent Police conducted the following checks: August – 3 visits = 22 offences September – 2 visits = 20 offences. Committee asked for further details on how long each visit lasted and if they tally the total cars that pass.</p> <p>5.3 Highways Improvement Plan 2022/2023 – Noted by the committee. Committee asked for when item 1 would be completed.</p> <p>5.4 Hosey Hill Footpath – Committee agreed the idea of the footpath</p>	<p>ER</p> <p>ER</p> <p>ER</p> <p>ER</p>

	<p>was supported however it would not be included on WTC HIP and it would not be supported should it effect the WTC HIP priorities.</p> <p>5.5. Electrical Charging Point – 2 charging points had been installed in Costell Meadows and would be maintained by KCC when up and running.</p> <p>5.6 Westerham Hill Closure – Committee were updated with the closure and the diversion routes.</p> <p>5.7 Church Road, Crockham Hill – After a lengthy conversation, the Committee agreed to not include on the HIP because KCC had advised there was no evidence or reports to suggest a speeding problem.</p>	ER
6.	<p><u>Street Lighting</u></p> <p>6.1 Repairs and responses – Nothing to note.</p> <p>6.2 Church Floodlights – It was requested Assistant Clerk checked the timings of when the floodlights were on at the church. Assistant Clerk requested new quotes to replace the floodlights in order to budget accordingly.</p>	ER
7.	<p><u>Sevenoaks District Council</u></p> <p>7.1 Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board – Nothing to note.</p>	
8.	<p><u>Public Transport</u></p> <p>8.1. Go Coach – Nothing to note.</p>	
9.	<p><u>Financial</u></p> <p>9.1 Financial Statement up to 30th September 2023 – Noted.</p> <p>9.2 Draft budget 2024/205 – Noted and approved.</p> <p>9.3 Draft 4-year budget – Noted and approved.</p> <p>9.4 Terms of Reference for Committee – Approved</p>	
10.	<p><u>Climate Change/Environmental & Bio Diversity</u></p> <p>10.1 ECO Policy Action Plan – Noted</p>	ER
11.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>Nothing to note.</p>	
12.	<p><u>Reports from Councillors</u></p> <p>Cllr Lord reported grass verges on Croydon Road needed repairing or replaced with tarmac. It was agreed this would go on WTC HIP.</p>	ER
13.	<p><u>TN16, Edenbridge Magazine, Website, Social Media and Crockham Hill Newsletter</u></p> <p>Updates on Westerham Hill Closure and information on light pollution.</p>	
14.	<p><u>Matters for District and County Councillors</u></p> <p>None.</p>	
15.	<p><u>Further matters for consideration at the next meeting</u></p> <p>Church floodlights quotes.</p>	

	Updates on WTC HIP.	
16.	<u>Date of next meeting</u> Monday 5 th February 2024	

The meeting was concluded at 20.40pm

Minutes confirmed as a correct record:

Chairman