

**A MEETING OF THE ROADS AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE was held on
TUESDAY, 6th OCTOBER 2009 in the HOWELL HALL at 7.30 pm.**

PRESENT: **COUNCILLOR S STERICKER** **Chairman**
 COUNCILLOR B BELL
 COUNCILLOR D BOWEN
 COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND
 COUNCILLOR A TRAVENA

Mrs P D Greenwell **Clerk**

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Mrs M Stones
Councillor G Waite
Councillor P Whitfield

- 2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held Tuesday 8th July 2009**, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting. **PROPOSED** by Cllr Mrs Townsend. **SECONDED** by Cllr Travena. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

3. ONGOING ISSUES

Main Street lighting. Ricky Watson, CYC Street Lighting Engineer, is still awaiting a quote for cable and light outside the Royal Oak.

Moor Lane litter sign. Now in situ.

Archive accommodation. It will be necessary to clear some space in the Store Room in the Howell Hall and erect some shelving to accommodate the files currently held in the Store Room at the burial ground.

Road Repairs are ongoing. All the main roads have been surveyed and some have been marked for attention. In addition, holes have been noticed in Wilstrop Farm Road and St Giles Way.

Litter picking. The next litter pick will be on 14 November, starting at the College at 9.00 am and following the same route as this time last year. Twelve volunteers will be needed, but Cllr Bowen is confident that these can be found, and will co-ordinate the pick with CYC.

Flaxman Croft/Merchant Way signage. The offending sign has been taken down and there is now an additional sign with the correct information on the opposite corner of Merchant Way.

Allotment taps. Despite innumerable attempts, and leaving of messages, the Clerk has not been able to speak to Paul Ezzard at CYC. Will attempt to reach him by email.

Allotment inspection. It appears that a vehicle has backed into the gate. Although the damage is not serious it will need to be attended to in due course. A significant improvement has been made on the only allotment which was felt to be not up to standard at the time of the last inspection.

War Memorial. Following the cleaning of the Memorial, the railings have now been painted. Cllr Bell suggested that the ground around the Memorial be covered with chippings to prevent growth of weeds. The Clerk has purchased some tulip bulbs to plant in this area.

The Clerk has ordered a wreath for the Remembrance Day Service.

Christmas lights. The Clerk has placed the order for the lights, and Cllr Whitfield has asked two electricians to supply a quote for the necessary electrical work.

Whistler Close tree stake. This is a matter for Persimmons, as the road has not yet been adopted by CYC. Cllr Mrs Stones has a contact at Persimmons, and it was suggested that she request the placement of a new tree stake.

“Copmanthorpe” sign on Temple Lane. Acaster Malbis PC have had approval from their insurance company to replace their sign. Cllr Stericker is in discussions with their Clerk with a view to sharing a structure to take both name signs.

Road drainage. The drainage problem on Low Green appears to be resolved. The Link is to be inspected by CYC Highways Department and Yorkshire Water.

Park and Ride – Askham Bar. No response has been received from CYC following the consultation meeting held in the Howell Hall. Nevertheless, planning permission has been sought and granted. Our request for a footbridge for students crossing Tadcaster Road to go to Tesco will be raised at the Ward meeting tomorrow night.

4. NEW ISSUES

Footpath slurry sealing. This has been carried out.

Hallcroft Lane litter bin. Now in situ.

Bench planter. CYC have available a free bench planter (a bench with plants either side). It is suggested that we could take this and site it on the triangle of grass opposite the old post office.

New Moor Lane sign. This is still pointing towards the allotments, despite the fact that it should have been re-aligned on 24 September.

Burial Ground fence. A panel at the far left hand corner has been damaged.
The Clerk to arrange for its repair.

5. MEMBER REPORTS

Footpath overgrowth. Despite the Clerk's earlier letter the hedge at the corner of Main Street/Station Road is still overhanging the footpath. The Clerk to write again. Cllr Whitfield noted that the hedge on the corner of College Road and St Nicholas Road is still overgrowing the footpath.

Other members. Cllr Mrs Townsend reported that a tractor has been parked on the shops car park. The Chairman said that this matter is not within the terms of reference for the Committee and should be taken up with the owners of the car park.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 2 February 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Signed Date