

A MEETING OF THE ROADS AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE was held on TUESDAY, 1 JUNE 2010 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: **COUNCILLOR S STERICKER** **Chairman**
 COUNCILLOR MRS J AUTON
 COUNCILLOR D BOWEN
 COUNCILLOR D CARR
 COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND
 COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell **Clerk**

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor B Bell

- 2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 2 February 2010**, having been previously circulated, were approved as a true and correct record of that Meeting. **PROPOSED** by Cllr. Whitfield. **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs Townsend. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

3. ONGOING ISSUES

3.1 Main Street Lighting

Ricky Watson, CYC, informs us that the pillar will be in shortly, with the ducting to follow. A larger box than that which is currently there will be needed to hold the transformer etc.

3.2 Memorial Green

Work to install the electricity supply ducting has been programmed. Details of the connection box are to be confirmed.

3.3 Christmas Lights

CYC are happy for us to use the lamp posts on Horseman Close. Costs have been obtained from the tree surgeon and electricians companies in Bishopthorpe who worked on the Memorial Green lights, and these will be almost the same as for those original lights - £3,720 for six lights.

It was **AGREED** that we should write to all residents outside whose houses we propose to put lights, and also to all residents of Horseman Lane to seek their views before proceeding further.

It was further **AGREED** that this year we would install lights on the 4 “public” trees and, subject to the reaction to these, extend the scheme to the 2 houses in private gardens next year.

The item is to be put to the full Parish Council for confirmation.

3.4 Archive Accommodation

The Clerk has begun the work of removing old records and correspondence from the burial ground to the Howell Hall.

3.5 Road Repairs

Cllr Paul Healey has passed on all our information about pot holes needing repair to the relevant department at CYC, and they are working through these. It was noted that there are some particularly bad pot holes on New Moor Lane. Problems on College Road have been notified to CYC for inspection and attention.

3.6 Whistler Close

This has been notified by email to Mr Dean.

Cllr Carr noted that some of the trees on the new link road are not looking healthy. It may be that recent trench digging work in relating to the supply of optical cable connections to the school and library may have caused damage to some of the roots.

3.7 Bench Planter

This is now sited in the burial ground and the Clerk will replant. It was also noted that there are some raised and cracked flags and a possible dead, large tree branch. The Clerk to arrange for these to be inspected.

3.8 Low Westfield Road – hole in road

CYC have repeated that they are not responsible for this. It was AGREED that we should thank Cllr Paul Healey for his help, and now draw a line underneath this matter.

3.9 Litter Clearing

a) Notification to Co-op. The Co-op have stated that they tidy the area around the shop every morning. It was AGREED that Cllrs Auton, Bowen, Carr, Stericker and Townsend should meet to discuss the whole area around Church Street in relation to traffic management and litter.

b)Low Green Litter Bin. CYC do not wish to put out any more litter bins. They are currently undertaking an audit and a new bin in Low Green seems unlikely.

c)Press advertisement. CYC have placed an advert in the York Press asking to be told of areas which need attention. It was AGREED that we should simply continue to do our own litter picking.

d)Risk Assessment. Cllr Stericker will complete this before the next Risk Management Group meeting.

4. NEW ISSUES

4.1 Earfit Lane – litter and locked gates

It was noted that the gates on either side are locked therefore there is no access over the railway tracks. Litter is to be removed from the Lane by volunteers.

The Clerk will ask PCSO Elle Smith to request that the British Transport Police take a look at the Bishopthorpe crossing to ensure that they are satisfied with its safe operation in light of young people gathering nearby.

4.2 Street Fair – parking issues

Following the Clerk’s letter to CYC regarding the issuing of Fixed Penalty Notices to illegally parked vehicles on the day of the Street Fair, CYC have replied stating that this was not disproportionate.

4.3 Reygate Grove – protruding studs

This problem is now solved. Graffiti in the snicket between Reygate Grove and Low Green has been reported to York Pride. They will have a look, but the wall is in private ownership, so they cannot act.

5. MEMBER REPORTS

Cllr Mrs Auton will take over the area previously looked after by Cllr Mrs Stones.

The Clerk has given the organisers of the Open Gardens event permission to use one of the allotments, and made suggestions in respect of parking arrangements

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 5 October 2010 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

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