

Minutes of the Meeting of the Transport & Highways Committee held in the Council House, 44 Old Street, Clevedon on Wednesday, 16 January 2008 at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillor G Watkins (Committee Chairman) IN THE CHAIR
Cllrs C Arnold, R Garner, D Hendra, J Middleton, S Vyce.

Apologies: Cllr D Jones – holiday

7.30 pm INFORMAL BUSINESS

1. PARKING CHAPEL HILL In attendance Clevedon Bowling Club representatives; Mr M Say, President and Mr J Weeks Acting Secretary, who recalled 15 months ago a member of the Club met with Councillor Shopland concerning the potentially hazardous exit from the Bowling Club's car park onto Chapel Hill and fears there could be an accident when downhill traffic overtakes parked cars outside Christ Church, as they are driving at speed on the wrong side of the road. These vehicles are not visible to people leaving the Bowling Club car park, which is especially dangerous for visitors who do not know the area. A drawing of the area in question was tabled.

The Chairman reported it had been anticipated NSC would be carrying out a traffic review, however, the system of regular reviews has now ceased. It was also emphasised that any future review would look at unnecessary double yellow lines in the town and not necessarily consider additional yellow lining.

2. PROPOSAL TRAFFIC CALMING - FOSSE WAY TH/07/83 In attendance St John's School representatives; Mrs K Reeve, Chair of Governors and Mrs R Newton, Headteacher. The Town Council had written to enquire whether St John's School had been successful in obtaining funding from the diocese for the traffic calming outside the School. Mrs Newton confirmed the Diocese only provided funding towards the school buildings. She was asked whether there were funds in the School Travel Plan and replied this was a very small figure which had already been spent. Mrs Newton thanked the Town Council for proceeding with the scheme and asked when the works would commence. NSC had stated this would be during the school summer holiday period.

7.40 pm FORMAL BUSINESS

TH/08/01 MINUTES Transport & Highways Committee meeting on 31 October 07 approved and signed by the Chairman.

TH/08/02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None were made.

Min No.		Action
PART 2 items - ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE UNDER DELEGATED POWERS		
TH/08/03	<u>PARKING - CHAPEL HILL</u> Noted when special services held at Christ Church cars can be parked on the pavement. RESOLVED: The North Ward District Councillor to investigate the Bowling Club's concerns. Note: Following the meeting Cllr Garner reported; vehicles exiting over a pavement is a common phenomenon and considers volume of vehicular traffic is not particularly high and more yellow lines would not help. He feels the situation could be improved by substantial widening of opening and/or reduction of the height of the stone wall at Bowling Club.	Cllr Garner
TH/08/04	<u>MOOR LANE - REQUEST FOR PEDESTRIAN CROSSING</u> A resident had written requesting a crossing to help parents and children going to Yeo Moor School to cross near the junction of Beaconsfield Road. Children attending the Comprehensive from the Yeo Moor area also crossed here. Members felt a pedestrian refuge could be safer and less expensive. There had been discussions with NSC regarding a pedestrian refuge since 2000. The preferred site would be the town side of Beaconsfield Road particularly in view of the new houses on the old timberyard site which could add to the number of children this busy road. RESOLVED: Cllr Garner to discuss with NSC possible Section 106 funds from the nearby development and what the current plans are to progress this scheme – which has already involved traffic counts and officer time in the past.	Cllr Garner
TH/08/05 05.1 05.2	<u>PROPOSAL FOR TRAFFIC CALMING - FOSSE WAY TH/07/83</u> POSSIBLE SECTION 106 FUNDING It was hoped the sum included in the Crabtree Farm Development could be increased. However this application had yet to be determined. REVIEW OF POLICY FOR 20 MPH ZONES - Referred back from Council RESOLVED: To consider at the next meeting of the Committee	Next agenda
TH/08/06	<u>DROPPED KERBS - HILL ROAD TH/07/84</u> Representative from Hill Road Traders met with Mr Mann (NSC) and the Committee Chairman. NSC were trying to progress two dropped kerbs.	Noted

TH/08/07	<u>GULLY EMPTYING TH/07/85</u> It had been reported at the Environment & Planning Committee that NSC would be reviewing problem drains/gullies across NSC. There had been particular problems in Old Church Rd and Churchill Avenue. Members agreed the schedule of gully cleaning is inadequate. However, a Town/District Cllr observed the Area Officer had worked hard on trying limit the gully problems.	Page 151 Cllrs to monitor problems
TH/08/08	<u>STRODE RD/OLD CHURCH RD JUNCTION TH/07/87</u> NSC had confirmed £20,000 would be made available to improve the above junction. Subject to receipt of the payment this scheme will be included in the 2008/09 works programme and the Town Council will be consulted further on this scheme.	Noted
TH/08/09	<u>KENN RD - PEDESTRIAN MEASURES</u> NSC is looking to improve accessibility to Yeo Moor School around the Kenn Rd area. NSC has asked for a Site Visit, possibly next week, to discuss options.	Date to be circulated
TH/08/10	<u>OLD ST – PAVEMENT</u> An East Ward Town Cllr asked the Committee to check on the conditions of pavements in Old St, in particular the length from the Fire Station to Woolworths. Due to the continual parking on these pavements there are now variable cambers which are hazardous to the disabled, elderly and buggies. He felt there should be more emphasis on the needs of pedestrians on this well used route to the town centre. The information was noted the Local Action Team is considering the Living Streets Initiative. Cllr Hendra will report back on this. RESOLVED: To ask for a NSC Highways Officer to inspect this stretch of pavement accompanied by representatives of the Transport & Highways Committee.	Office to action
TH/08/11	<u>NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL - ROADS WORKING GROUP</u> Cllr Middleton reported on the first meeting looking at the current road maintenance performance in North Somerset in relation to what is spent; ie best value. Most of the maintenance is on major roads in North Somerset. Potholes are patched with a temporary patch for 6-8 weeks and then filled to the required standard. Controls on outside agencies that dig up roads investigated.	Noted
TH/08/12	<u>CLEVEDON CONSERVATION AREAS - YELLOW LINES TH/07/79</u> The NSC Traffic Engineer confirmed previous statement by the Area Officer for Clevedon.	Noted
TH/08/13	<u>BUS SHELTER MAINTENANCE CONTRACT - DAMAGE TO SHELTERS</u> Contractor had reported damage to one panel in each of the following bus shelters Westerleigh Road and Southern Way Do It All cost - £132.80 for each new panel. RESOLVED: Chairman to assess the extent of the damage prior to work being carried out.	Ctte Chairman
TH/08/14	<u>NALC NOTIFICATION OF BUS PASSENGER CONSULTATION</u> Comments required by 17 March 2008. Options for Strengthening Bus Passenger Representation, a consultation document from the Department of Transport can be viewed at www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/open/buspassenger/bus consultation . RESOLVED: Councillors to respond to the consultation with their individual comments.	All Cllrs
TH/08/15	<u>OUTSIDE BODY - NAILSEA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY TRANSPORT</u> Minutes of the meetings held on 21 September and 21 November 2007 were available.	Noted
TH/08/16	<u>OTHER ITEMS</u>	
16.1	<u>BELL BOLLARD</u> Suggestion by NSC these are installed in place of the standard bollards which often need replacing due to vehicle damage. RESOLVED: Committee members to view web site re height and materials and report back.	Ctte members
16.2	<u>OFF STREET PARKING PLACES - NOTICE OF CHANGES IN CHARGES, PERMIT CHARGES & EXCESS CHARGES</u> The notice had been received that day and the Clerk had queried some of the amendments relating to the Clevedon car parks. Await the response. RESOLVED: Arrange a special meeting to consider this when NSC had answered queries.	Date to be Circulated
16.3	<u>B3133 - REQUEST FOR INDEPENDENT TRAFFIC SURVEY</u> Kenn Parish Council had written to the NSC Director of Development & Environment asking for an independent traffic survey on the B3133 between Clevedon and Yatton prior to further development along the road. RESOLVED: To support Kenn Parish Council's request and write to NSC.	Office to action
16.4	<u>LOCAL ACCESS FORUM - Papers for the meeting to be held on 22 January 2008.</u>	

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN:

The meeting finished at 8.47pm

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