

**CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL****TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Transport & Highways Committee held in the Council House, 44 Old Street, Clevedon on Wednesday, 18 July 2007 at 7.30pm.

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

Apologies: Cllr S Vyce – work commitments

TH/07/52 MINUTES of the Transport & Highways Committee meeting on 6 June 2007 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

TH/07/53 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST  
Cllr D Hendra declared a personal interest in items concerning Old Street as a resident.

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<b>PART 1 items - REQUIRING APPROVAL BY COUNCIL</b>														
TH/07/54	<p><u>BUS SHELTER &amp; TOWN SIGN MAINTENANCE CONTRACT TH/07/30</u> The Committee had previously reviewed the Contract document. A new 3 year contract will commence on 1 September 2007. Members considered 5 quotations for this work as follows; (1) £10,784.14 pa; (2) £19,655 for 3 years; (3) £2,000 pa; (4) £7,000 pa; (5) £4,000 pa Quotation 5 stated it was for cleaning once a month only, with inspection once a month dealing only with urgent problems.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> TO RECOMMEND COUNCIL accept quotation (2) £19,655 for 3 years, £6,551.66 pa for 20 visits per annum to clean and maintain the 17 Town Council bus shelters and 4 town signs.</p>	Office to action after full Council meeting												
<b>PART 2 items - ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE UNDER DELEGATED POWERS</b>														
TH/07/55 55.1	<p><u>OLD STREET TH/07/40</u> NSC had replied as follows; <u>PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - HEALTH CENTRE/HOSPITAL</u> The Town Council's request for the zebra crossing to be raised with speed cushions each side of the crossing cannot be progressed because all NSC Highways design staff are currently fully committed to preparing and implementing schemes from the Local Transport Plan programme. There is a shortage of suitable staff and difficulty in recruiting new staff.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> Inform NSC there is a wish to progress this scheme when resources are available.</p>	Office to action												
55.2	<p><u>MINI-ROUNDAABOUT AT HIGHDALE AVENUE JUNCTION</u> NSC now concerned enlarging the central island may cause problems for eastbound traffic on Old Street and be hazardous for motorcyclists. NSC preparing a scheme to dome the central marking and possibly reposition the roundabout slightly to discourage vehicles from driving over it. Also to move the Highdale Avenue give way line to increase visibility.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> Reply to NSC the Town Council looks forward to receiving the plans soon.</p>													
TH/07/56	<p><u>PROPOSAL FOR TRAFFIC CALMING – FOSSE WAY TH/07/42</u> Mr Cox, NSC Highways Officer, had replied that day setting out the estimated costs as follows;</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Engineering works</td> <td style="width: 25%;">£ 15,000</td> <td style="width: 25%;">Legal processes/advert</td> <td style="width: 25%;">£ 3,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Design</td> <td>£ 3,000</td> <td>Safety audit</td> <td>£ 2,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4" style="text-align: center;"><b>TOTAL £ 23,000.00</b></td> </tr> </table> <p>Mr Cox requires the Town Council to confirm all costs will be met before ordering any works and establishing a timetable for these works. The main priority for NSC Highways is North Somerset's capital programme and this project will be progressed as resources become available. Members were surprised the Town Council should be asked to pay for design, legal costs etc.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> To invite Mr Cox to attend the next meeting of the Committee.</p>	Engineering works	£ 15,000	Legal processes/advert	£ 3,000	Design	£ 3,000	Safety audit	£ 2,000	<b>TOTAL £ 23,000.00</b>				Office to action
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TH/07/57	<p><u>NSC H BAR POLICY</u> In future the following criteria will be applied to H bar markings;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Accesses to be considered for these markings; business units, multiple occupancy buildings and premises that require regular public access.</li> <li>2. H Bar markings will not be considered for individual residential properties.</li> <li>3. New approved locations will be marked when Council contractor is next available.</li> <li>4. Maintenance of existing markings only as part of a programme of works for the whole street.</li> <li>5. If existing markings do not meet the criteria they will not be maintained.</li> <li>6. Total cost per site to be paid in advance £75.</li> </ol>	Noted												

TH/07/58	<u>PARKING – TEIGNMOUTH ROAD – TH/07/15.1</u> Letter from resident requesting double yellow lines to assist visibility on the two corners at the top of a lane leading to garages. Members had inspected the area. No other double yellow lines in this area, however there are currently parking bars in place. <b>RESOLVED:</b> Reply to the resident, it is considered double yellow lines are not appropriate although it is appreciated drivers need to take care when exiting from the garages.	Office to action
TH/07/59	<u>NORTHERN &amp; SOUTHERN WAY – TRAFFIC CALMING TH/07/43</u> NSC had provided information on traffic counts carried out in 2003. The latest June 2006 figures show a 85 %ile speed of 40.1 mph. Noted the relatively low number of recorded injury accidents on Northern and Southern Way in comparison those on Central Way make it difficult to justify signs on these roads. NSC suggest the “appropriate” speed limit for these roads is 40 mph. <b>RESOLVED:</b> 1. NSC to be informed the Committee consider 30 mph to be the appropriate speed as most motorists make efforts to maintain that speed. 2. Reiterate the request for vehicle activated speed signs for Northern and Southern Way before the ROk development (now approved for Kenn Road) and the ongoing applications for the development of the Tesco site. All of which will substantially increase the volume of traffic using the whole distributor road around Clevedon.	Office to action
TH/07/60	<u>BUS SHELTER &amp; TOWN SIGN MAINTENANCE MONTHLY REPORT - June 2007</u> No damage.	
TH/07/61	<u>BUS SHELTERS AT FOSSE WAY AND CRAB APPLE, SOUTHERN WAY</u> Request from partially disabled resident for seats at these bus stops. <b>RESOLVED:</b> To adopt a policy of ensuring all new Council bus shelters have seats and review how many existing shelters do not have seats.	Office to action & reply to resident
TH/07/62	<u>PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY CONSULTATION</u> This document is available on the DEFRA website. Deadline for comments 31 August 07. <b>RESOLVED:</b> No observations – Members to respond individually if they have observations.	All Cllrs
TH/07/63	<u>TRANSFER OF PARKING SERVICES (TOPS) IN NORTH SOMERSET</u> Notification of a 3 week public consultation on proposals to introduce a controlled parking zone in Weston Super Mare town centre to include on-street pay and display marked bays, marked bays for Blue Badge holders and loading only bays. This is prior to the transfer of powers to NSC from the Police to enforce parking restrictions. NSC is particularly keen to ensure the cost is minimal and wherever possible unnecessary double yellow lines are removed to increase the amount of on-street parking in the District. The on-street charging within the Weston super Mare parking zone could provide up to 14 parking attendants to patrol the streets throughout North Somerset. It was noted at present PCSOs give parking tickets to vehicles parked on double yellow lines that are causing a danger to other road users. <b>RESOLVED:</b> 1. Members to forward their comments individually, feedback in the form of a questionnaire is required by Tuesday 7 August 2007. 2. To forward to NSC the list of parking restrictions that have been considered by the Committee awaiting the next traffic review. (TH/07/41)	All Cllrs Office to action
TH/07/64 64.1 64.2	<u>ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING OF TRANSPORT &amp; HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE</u> <u>STATION ROAD/QUEENS SQUARE DELIVERIES</u> Delivery lorries come into Station Road from both Old Church Road and Kenn Road often surprising pedestrians. Should the road be designated one way for deliveries? <u>CENTRAL WAY/MOOR LANE – ROAD RESTRAINT BARRIER TH/07/44</u> It was reported Cllr Cotton wished to pursue this matter further with NSC. <b>RESOLVED:</b> To circulate the previous letter from NSC for the next meeting.	Next Agenda Office to action
TH/07/65	<u>STRODE ROAD/OLD CHURCH ROAD JUNCTION – KERB ALIGNMENT/BUILD OUT TH/07/41</u> There had been no further indication from NSC as to when this work will be carried out.	Follow up letter
TH/07/66	<u>FOR INFORMATION</u> The Committee received and noted; <u>MOOR LANE UNDERPASS TH/06/98</u> – Notification from NSC – work to commence 26 July 2007. Underpass closed for four weeks to coincide with school holidays.	Noted

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN: .....

The meeting finished at 8.45 pm

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