

CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING IN THE COMMITTEE
ZOOM MEETING DUE TO COVID-19, HELD ON WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2020 at
7.30pm

This meeting was held under The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England & Wales) Regulations 2020 section 5

PRESENT: Chairman – Cllr N. Barton
 Councillors; A. Everitt, A. Goodliffe, K. O'Brien, D. Shopland,
 In attendance: Cllr J. West, R. Westwood
 Ms Paula Heath Town Clerk

TH 20/1067 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Cllr G. Hill (family commitment)

TH 20/1068 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda

TH 20/1069 MINUTES

The minutes of the Transport & Highways Committee held on 10th June, that were ratified at the Council meeting on the 8th July 2020, were approved and agreed that they will be signed by the Chairman as a true record, when Covid-19 regulations allow.

TH 20/1070 RECEIVE THE COMMITTEE BUDGETS/ACTUALS FOR 2020/2021

Members noted the budget/actual figures for 2020/2021 as circulated with the agenda.

TH 20/1071 [20/1049] TO RECEIVE, IF ANY, RESPONSE FROM NSC FOR BUYING ADDITIONAL SERVICES

There had been no response from NSC; members appreciated that NSC Contractors were struggling to fulfil the terms of their contract and did not have the capacity, in the current climate, to take on additional work.

ACTION TOWN CLERK to Chase.

TH 20/1072 [20/1059.1] TO RECEIVE, IF ANY, RESPONSE FROM CLLR M CANNIFORD ON THE PARKING REVIEW

There had been no response from NSC and Cllr Canniford. Neither District Councillor present could provide any further detail.

ACTION TOWN CLERK to Chase.

TH 20/1073 [20/1060] TO RECEIVE, IF ANY, RESPONSE FROM NSC RE FOOTPATH CLEARANCE

There had been no response from NSC. Cllr Westwood reported that the Payback Team would be clearing the area between The Tynnings and The Leys.

ACTION TOWN CLERK to Chase.

TH 20/1074 [20/1062] TO RECEIVE, IF ANY, RESPONSE FROM NSC RE TRAFFIC FLOW MANAGEMENT MASTER PLAN

Following conversations with Director of Development & Environment it had been agreed that when restrictions and NSC Highways workloads allow, currently dealing with Covid-19 and Social Distancing alterations, Mrs Shomali would facilitate a round table meeting to begin the discussion and creation of a master traffic plan for Clevedon

ACTION TOWN CLERK & MRS SHOMALI

TH 20/1075 [20/1065.1] TO RECEIVE, IF ANY, SUBMITTED REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON ROADS IN THEIR WARDS

There had been no reports or requests from Town Councillors

TH 20/1076 RECEIVE RESPONSES FROM THE PUBLIC RE CYCLE WAYS IN CLEVEDON - COPY OF EMAILS ATTACHED

The Town Clerk reported that only 2 responses had been received to the Town Council's newsletter. 1 requested the banning of cyclist on the sea front due to safety issues of mixing pedestrians and cyclists and 1 promoting the benefit of cycling and the need for better maintained cycleways.

Members discussed in detail the need for cycle paths and safe introduction of new cycleways without compromising the safety of residents especially on the promenade and seafront section. Members noted that the new cycleway from Clevedon to Weston could bring in more cyclist and agreed that they need to be managed once they enter the town as to suitable routes and access to facilities. Members expressed concern about the increasing number of cyclists on the footpaths not abiding by the highway code, and not being considerate to other users. Members **AGREED** to look at increasing the cycle routes when looking at the master plan under 20/1074. It was **AGREED** to investigate the issues and solutions found elsewhere in the Country and Europe, in particular Holland. Members discussed the need for all cyclists and cycles to be insured, and in the future should be taxed, with regular MOT's for the cycles to ensure they are safe for users.

TH 20/1077 RECEIVE UPDATE ON STRAWBERRY LINE AND CLEVEDON COAST PATH CYCLEWAYS.

Cllr D Shopland, declared an interest in the Strawberry Lane.

There were no updates available on the Strawberry Line and the Costal Cycleways "Pier to Pier". Members were informed that NSC were seeking funding to introduce measures to create Quiet Lanes in and around Clevedon. Members were supportive of the Quiet Roads policy and proposals being investigated by NSC. It was **AGREED** to express Clevedon Town Council's support and encouragement of the Quiet Roads initiative.

Members discussed the reinstatement of the Yatton to Clevedon rail line linking to the National Rail route. It was **AGREED** to hold a special Council meeting to debate transport to and in Clevedon, including quiet lanes, and reinstatement of the railway with investigation of the emergency reversion clause.

TH 20/1078 RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES TAKEN AT ALL BUS STOPS

Members received and noted the provisions being made for Social Distancing at bus stops including those under the responsibility of the Town Council.

TH 20/1079 RECEIVE FOR INFORMATION SOCIAL DISTANCING OUTSIDE SCHOOLS – EMAILED 27.08.20

Members noted the plans for Social Distancing outside of schools as circulated on 27th August 2020

TH 20/1080 RECEIVE PROPOSALS FOR HILL ROAD ONE-WAY SYSTEM AND ANY OTHER AREAS UNDER CONSIDERATION AS PER MEETING WITH NSC 16TH SEPTEMBER 2020.

Members discussed the meeting held on 16th September 2020 to receive the plans and proposals to create one-way system on Hill Road and the Beach to enhance social distancing requirements and to increase the cycle lane infrastructure. It was noted these plans/proposals were subject to grant funding. The meeting had been open to all Town Councillors, and was the second in the stakeholders meetings the first being the District Councillors, meetings with the BID and Civic Society would be held in the following days. Initial discussions by NSC had been with stakeholder groups on the principal and strategic aspects of the plan. Public consultation on detailed plans would be held if the funding bid were successful, and the plans became viable. Various points had been raised on the plans specifically how they would integrate into the local traffic flow and the 'knock-on' impact of the proposals.

TH 20/1081 RECEIVE FOR INFORMATION A REQUEST FROM NSC CLLR WESTWOOD, FOR 20MPH LIMIT WOODINGTON ROAD AND CONNECTING SIDE ROADS.

Members received and noted the request made by NS Cllr R. Westwood to NSC, for a restricted speed area for Woodington road and adjacent side street to combat speeding cars. Members noted that the Police did not enforce the current speeding limits. A suggestion was made for NSC to install speed humps at appropriate locations

TH 20/1082 RECEIVE FOR INFORMATION A REQUEST FROM NSC CLLR WESTWOOD FOR A SPEED SURVEY ON LOWER STRODE ROAD; AND AN INDICATION OF REQUEST FOR THE TOWN COUNCIL TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS ANY RESULTING WORK.

Members received and noted the request made by NS Cllr R. Westwood to NSC, for a speed survey on Lower Strode Road with a view to possibly extending the 30mph speed limit.

TH 20/1083 RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF SECRETARY OF STATE DECISIONS AS PER ENGLISH COASTAL PATH MOVING FROM STAGE 4 TO STAGE 5 CONSULTATION. - PER EMAIL ON 9TH JULY 2020.

Members received and noted the report.

TH 20/1084 RECEIVE FOR INFORMATION AND COMMENT THE PROPOSED 7.5T WEIGHT LIMIT – EMAILED 28.08.20 DEADLINE 25.09.20

Members received and noted the report with no comments. A comment concerning access for business with vehicles larger than 7.5t weight would be confirmed.

TH 20/1085 BUS SHELTER MAINTENANCE CONTRACT - MONTHLY MAINTENANCE REPORT

There were no issues to report from the monthly bus maintenance. The Town Clerk reported that the contract was continuing during lockdown.

TH 20/1086 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Highdale Road Traffic Calming. A question was raised as to the furtherance of this proposal. Members were reminded that the Committee had agreed to hold a public meeting for all residents in the area to discuss the proposals before bringing the plans back to the committee for agreement and possible funding allocation in 2021/2022 budget. [TH 20/1050]

It is currently illegal to hold a face to face site meeting at Highdale Road. It was **AGREED** to arrange a Zoom meeting and all residents be invited to attend or make comment by letter. Cllrs D Shopland, Cllr A Shopland Cllr Barton, & Cllr O'Brien would deliver the letters to all residents affected.

TH 20/1087 TO DETERMINE PART I ITEMS

There were no part 1 items.

The meeting finished at 8.40pm

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