

CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCILTRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Transport & Highways Committee held in the Council House, 44 Old Street, Clevedon on Wednesday, 30th September 2009 at 7.30 pm.

Present: Councillor G Watkins (Committee Chairman) IN THE CHAIR
 Cllrs C Arnold, R Garner, J Middleton, N Pennycott, D Shopland, S Vyce.
 Mrs I Johnson – Committee Clerk

In Attendance: Mr M Templar – Informal Business only.

Apologies: None.

7.30 pm INFORMAL BUSINESS – TOWN CENTRE BUS STOP – KENN ROAD

Mr Templar had been in contact with NSC Highways since he relocated from No 6 to No 8 Kenn Road asking for the bus stop to be moved. He felt the current location was not the best position on Kenn Road for a bus stop for the following reasons;

- Health and Safety – the narrow footway is often blocked with people waiting for buses. He cited an incident where a lady alighting from a bus had fallen and hit her head on the wall next to his shop.
- Difficult to install disabled access to the buses on this narrow footway.
- Damage to his shop front. He had installed rails on the window sill to deter people sitting on the sill and was constantly asking bus passengers not to wait in his porch and block the entrance to his shop. Often people smoke in his porch breaching smoking laws and there had been confrontations on his doorstep.

Mr Templar provided photographic evidence. The lease for the shop included the area of pavement in front of the shop, copies were circulated.

The Committee Chairman explained that NSC had sought the Town Council's opinion on the siting of the bus stop but the ultimate decision would be made by NSC, the authority responsible for highways. At the last meeting the Town Council had not supported the new location put forward by NSC. A site meeting had subsequently been arranged prior to this meeting but had now been postponed to next Tuesday. The Committee would therefore not be able to consider any new proposals until the next Committee meeting. See minute TH/09/73.2 below

7.40 pm FORMAL BUSINESS

TH/09/65 MINUTES of the Transport & Highways held on 5 August 2009 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

TH/09/66 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr R Garner declared a personal interest in the Informal Business and min TH/09/73.2 - known to Mr Templar and his family.

Cllr D Shopland declared a personal/prejudicial interest in mins TH/09/68 & 69 - properties located in this area.

TH/09/67 ACTION ITEMS NOT ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

67.1 HOLLY LANE CONCERNS ABOUT WEEKEND PARKING TH.09/52

Viv Thomson had replied that to convert part of the playing field at Holly Lane to car parking would require consent from the Department for Children, Schools and Families and the local schools. Any application would be subject to PPG17 (Planning for Open Space and Recreation), PPG2 (Green Belt) and the fact that there is a shortfall of grass pitches within the Clevedon area. Members felt there was space for a car park east of Holly Lane.

RESOLVED: To reply to NSC that the reasons given for not progressing a car park east of Holly Lane were not acceptable in view of planning conditions currently imposed on applications for private playing fields (ie at Manmoor Lane in Clevedon).

- 67.2 MAINTENANCE OF FOOTPATH ADJACENT TO BOUNDARY OF THE FRIARY TH/09/52 – No reply from NSC.
- 67.3 PLANTING ON SIXWAYS ROUNDABOUT TH/09/56.3 – No reply from NSC
- 67.4 TOWN COUNCIL ALLOTTED DAYS NSC GENERAL PURPOSE MAINTENANCE GANGS TH/09/42
Information from NSC that works orders have been raised to cut back trees and bushes overhanging both Victoria Road south side and Nortons Wood Lane. This work should be completed within the next 10 days. The path linking Highdale Avenue and Old Street is not adopted by NSC and has been cleaned by the Clevedon School Environmental Group (Team Tynt). Other items on the Town Council list to be completed by the Maintenance Gang when available.

Min No.		Action
PART 2 items – ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE UNDER DELEGATED POWERS		
TH/09/68	<p>OLD STREET TRAVEL SAFETY SCHEME TH/09/51.1 NSC had consulted local residents and traders concerning the proposals;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To raise current zebra crossing and to remove a double yellow line. Sent to No 77 Old Street to Health Centre entrance • To extend footway and alter School Keep Clear marking. Sent to Health Centre entrance to School Lane. • To restrict traffic flow to southbound only on Parnell Road and make significant changes to design of junction with Old Street. Sent to 72 residents. <p>No objections to any of the proposals have been received from the list of formal consultees or the Road Safety Officer. The only objections from residents concerned the scheme for Parnell Road with six replies four of which raised objections. In view of these objections NSC has taken the decision to change the proposed one-way system to north flowing traffic as this will improve the traffic flow of the area without compromising safety.</p> <p>RESOLVED: To approve the recommendation of NSC;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support the proposals for Chapel Hill Junction; No 77 Old Street to Health Centre entrance and Health Centre entrance to School Lane. 2. The proposal for Parnell Road to be progressed with the traffic flow changed and restricted to north flowing traffic. 	Office to action
TH/09/69	<p>OLD STREET – ZEBRA CROSSING HEALTH CENTRE Members received a public consultation notice concerning ‘the road hump that will extend over the full width of the carriageway (6.0m in length, 50mm in height, approach ramps 1 in 20) at the above zebra crossing. Deadline for comments 29 October 2009.</p> <p>RESOLVED: To support the heightening of the zebra crossing on Old Street.</p>	Office to action

TH/09/70	<p><u>M5 MOTORWAY HIGHWAYS AGENCY POLICY ON DEALING WITH DIVERSIONS</u> TH/09/53</p> <p>The Highways Agency had replied stating that ‘the practice is not to use the local roads at junctions 19 and 20 to help ease traffic flow and congestion following motorway incidents, as they are not suitable for diversion purposes’.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Request a more detailed response concerning incidents affecting junctions 19 and 20 in particular.</p>	Office to action
TH/09/71	<p><u>TRAFFIC REVIEW FOR CLEVEDON</u> TH/09/54</p> <p>Members considered the list in detail. Members’ comments are as indicated on the attached Appendix ‘A’.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Any new items to be submitted to the Office for consideration at next meeting on 25 November 2009</p>	Next Agenda
TH/09/72	<p><u>BUS SHELTER MAINTENANCE CONTRACT</u> TH/09/58.1</p> <p>The Contractor had reported the following action; sticky marks removed with new cleaning fluid; paintwork on bus shelter in Elton Road completed; Southern Way shelters to be painted in October; four Town signs thoroughly cleaned – deterioration due to age. Three missing panels from bus shelters. See mins TH/09/73.1 & 78.2</p>	Noted
TH/09/73 73.1	<p><u>NSC NEW BUS SHELTERS FOR CLEVEDON</u> TH/09/60</p> <p><u>OWNERSHIP OF NORTHERN WAY BUS SHELTER OPPOSITE SUMMERLIN DRIVE</u> TH/09/60.1</p> <p>It had been confirmed by NSC that as the Town Council already owns the smaller shelter on this site when is it enlarged by NSC the bus shelter will be handed over to the Town Council.</p>	Noted
73.2	<p><u>BUS STOP KENN ROAD OUTSIDE LLOYDS TOYS</u> See Informal Business above</p> <p>It was reported that both Paceprint and Lloyds Toys had contacted the Town Council Office objecting to the proposed site for the bus stop. A Site Meeting will now take place on Tuesday 6 October 2009 at 10.30 pm. The proposals will be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.</p>	Next Agenda
TH/09/74	<p><u>RELOCATION OF SURPLUS NSC BUS SHELTER</u></p> <p>RESOLVED:1.To agree to NSC’s suggestion to relocate a newer surplus bus shelter to Hither Green opposite the new NSC shelter being erected in October.</p> <p>2.To ask NSC whether the panels from the old CTC bus shelter could be retained by the Town Council.</p> <p>3.Panels to be used to replace missing panels see min TH/09/72 above.</p>	Office to action
TH/09/75	<p><u>LOCAL BUS SERVICE REVIEW IN NORTH SOMERSET</u></p> <p>Bus services included in the review are as follows;</p> <p>Service 660 Congresbury to Portishead. Monday to Saturdays.</p> <p>Service 800 Clevedon Town Service. Monday to Fridays.</p> <p>Service X25 Portishead to Cribbs Causeway Additional journey.</p> <p>Service 657 Bristol - Clevedon Sunday & Bank Holiday</p> <p>Service 362 Clevedon - Bristol mornings Sundays & Bank holidays.</p> <p>RESOLVED: To inform NSC that the Town Council is opposed to the reduction of any bus services from Clevedon. In particular services 800, 660 and 362 are essential.</p>	Office to action

TH/09/76	<u>SUPPORTED BUS SERVICE X26</u> Following the collapse of ACL Travel the NSC budget could not maintain all the services provided by ACL due to the increased tenders. Service X26 (WSM to Clevedon, Portishead and Cribbs Causeway on Sundays and Bank Holidays) has been withdrawn.	Noted.
TH/09/77	<u>TOWN COUNCIL REPLACEMENT BUS SHELTER PROGRAMME 2009/10</u> TH/09/59 RESOLVED: To defer consideration replacement of either; 1)Central Way north side nearest to Tesco; 2)Southern Way south side Opposite Focus DIY; 3) Southern Way north side adjacent to Leisure Centre until the next meeting.	Next agenda
TH/09/78 78.1	<u>COMMITTEE BUDGET 2010/11</u> <u>NAILSEA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY TRANSPORT</u> A request had been received for £11,000. NDCT currently run eight vehicles but have plans to purchase two new vehicles which will replace three vehicles thus consolidating the fleet to seven vehicles by March 2010. The running costs for one minibus for a year were provided – total £13,539.54. The minutes of the last meeting of the Management Committee were circulated. RESOLVED: To inform NDCT that the Committee is minded to grant £5,000 this year but will consider further detailed justification for the sum requested at their next meeting. This information to include passenger figures for Clevedon residents.	
78.2	<u>TOWN SIGNS</u> Following discussion it was; RESOLVED: To obtain costings to replace the town sign on Tickenham Road only	
TH/09/79 79.1	<u>FOR INFORMATION</u> The Committee received and noted; <u>TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE</u> Great Western Road to The Triangle from Old Church Road to Old Street for re-surfacing. 5 October 2009 for six weeks.	
79.2	<u>COACH PARKING IN CLEVEDON</u> TH/09/63 Reply from NSC confirming discussions with the NSC Rangers to ensure further problems are avoided at Salthouse Fields.	
79.3	<u>TWEED ROAD TO SOUTHERN WAY</u> – Installation of Duct Link & Associated Joint Boxes – Work completed.	
APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD		CHAIRMAN:.....
The meeting finished at 9.45 pm		DATE:

**Long term - request layby on east side of Walton Road where pavement is wider to accommodate displaced residents' parking.