

**CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING IN THE**  
**COMMITTEE ROOM, 44 OLD STREET ON WEDNESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

**PRESENT:** Cllr G. Watkins – Committee Chairman  
 Cllrs N. Barton, S. Hale.  
 In Attendance Ms Paula Heath Town Clerk  
 1 Member of the Public

**Public Session**

A letter had been circulated with the agenda from a Clevedon Resident on traffic problems in Clevedon; the letter would be discussed under agenda item 8.

The Resident raised concerns about the fumes and increasing amounts of vehicles in and around Clevedon. He had provided in the letter suggestions to decrease the number of vehicles. Members questioned the resident on his suggestion and made the following points:

- The Council did not have the legal power to undertake some of the suggestions, these would need Central Government involvement.
- Many Clevedon residents work outside of Clevedon and in the absence of public transport must drive.
- Some of those who are employed in Clevedon live outside the Town.
- Some business in the town stagger their shift patterns to try and spread the vehicles across a wider timespan.
- With a limited public transport system, the ideal to ban cars is not achievable now.
- Some of the new hybrid cars introduce other dangers in the batteries they use.

**TH 18/899 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs J. Geldart, A. Giles-Townsend, G. Hill, J. Norton-Sealey & C. Starr

**TH 18/900 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

**TH 18/901 MINUTES**

The minutes of the Transport & Highways Committee held on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 and ratified by Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

*With the committee's agreement the Chairman moved agenda item 8 to be heard next*

**TH 18/902 RECEIVE AND DISCUSS THE LETTER CONCERNING POSSIBLE SCHEMES TO REDUCE TRAFFIC CONGESTION**

Members discussed the letter which had been circulated with the agenda to all Councillors. It was noted that the removal of cars was an aspiration that would take many years and Central Government lead to achieve. The Council can pro-actively promote a better public transport system and reduction of car use. One suggestion was to make all bus services free or at a reduced cost to encourage use.

TH 12th September 2018 DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION BY THE COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL

28/09/2018

The use of Police Offices to control traffic was no longer viable due to the lack of funding and the number of officers available.

**TH 18/903 RECEIVE THE COMMITTEE BUDGETS/ACTUALS FOR 2018/2019**

Members received and noted the budget spreadsheet that had been circulated with the agenda. Members noted that the Central Way work had begun, but no new date had been received for Strode Road following the recent cancellation of the work.

**TH 18/904 CONFIRM RESPONSE ON DISABLED BAY FOR HALLAM ROAD**

Members were notified that only one Councillor and a Member of the Public had responded, a response had been submitted to NSC which was to utilise the disused disabled bay adjacent to the one requested.

**TH 18/905 RECEIVE REPORT ON THE ENGLAND COASTAL PATH MEETING HELD AT CASTLEWOOD ON 19TH JULY 2018**

A report had been circulated with the agenda to all Councillors. Members discussed the route with the Spring adjustment. It was noted that cars often park near to parts of the route, currently used mainly by dog walkers, causing a problem.

In response to a question it was explained that the definitive map of all rights of way and permitted rights of way was held by NSC.

**TH 18/906 DECIDE IF THE COUNCIL WISH TO MAKE USE OF THE PORTABLE VAS AND IF YES AGREE WHO WILL INSTALL AND MONITOR THE SYSTEM.**

Members noted the offer to use the portable VAS machine, in previous years Cllr Giles-Townsend had taken responsibility to install and move the machine. It was agreed to defer the decision pending the Chairman talking to Cllr Giles-Townsend. It was felt that by revisiting the earlier roads a comparison could be obtained whether the situation was improving.

**TH 18/907 DISCUSS POSSIBLE FUTURE DISCUSSIONS WITH NSC CONCERNING PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC ISSUES AT THE JUNCTION OF ELTON ROAD, OLD CHURCH ROAD AND PIZEY AVENUE.**

The Chairman raised the problem of the junction of Elton Road, Old Church Road and Pizey Avenue complicated by the entrance to the garage and Salthouse Fields. There was a concern that some pedestrians crossed the roads without looking and drivers had difficulty with the junction of several roads at that point. Often it was unclear which roads, a car was indicating before turning. Following a discussion, it was **AGREED** to contact NSC to arrange a site visit

**TH 18/908 RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF FUTURE PARKING REVIEW BY NSC AND AGREE HOW CTC INFLUENCES AND RESPONDS TO THE REVIEW.**

Members noted the comments from NSC of the intention to carry out a complete parking survey at some point in the future. The opportunity was available for Clevedon to feed in at an early stage. It was **AGREED** to defer consideration till the

next meeting when Members will have had an opportunity to think about the aspirations for Clevedon's parking.

**TH 18/910 RECEIVE UPDATE ON BUS SHELTER ADVERTISING.**

Members were reminded of the issues arising from NSC advertising on the Town Councils bus shelter in Moor Lane. The Town Clerk was still chasing payment following several NSC officers, who had been dealing with this, having left over the last few years.

**TH 18/911 RECEIVE UPDATE ON SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL OLD STREET –  
CLLR WATKINS**

The Chairman reported that there had been issues at the start of the current term when the SCP was not in operation as the employee was unavailable to work; there is no cover provided by either NSC or the schools. There is some question as to whether the service can continue with the current employee long term. Members discussed the advertising and employing of a temporary cover; it was noted that legally this can only be done by NSC. Members discussed the zebra crossing and whether it could be moved to the other side of the Medical Centre entrance.

**TH 18/912 RECEIVE, IF ANY, UPDATE ON ADOPTED SECTION OF OLD PARK  
ROAD**

There is no report on the adopted section of Old Park Road

**TH 18/913 BUS SHELTER MAINTENANCE CONTRACT - MONTHLY MAINTENANCE  
REPORT.**

The maintenance report was available at the meeting; there was no issue to report

**FGP 18/914 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION.**

There were no Chairman's items for information

**FGP 18/915 DETERMINE PART 1 ITEMS**

There were no Part 1 items

The meeting finished at 8.30 pm

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DATE: .....