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Minutes of a meeting of the Traffic and Safety Committee on Monday 2 March 2015 at St Peters Hall, Wilburton

Present: Councillors Forsyth, Dodson, Warren and Hennessy.

T&SC010315. Apologies, Acceptance of apologies and declarations of interests.

None

T&SC020315. To approve the minutes from the meeting held on 3 November 2014

Resolved: - It was agreed that the above minutes be approved.

Action Point: - Clerk to add the minutes of the November meeting to the website.

Meeting closed

T&SC030315. Public Participation.

A question was raised regarding the cutting down of dead branches on trees and it was confirmed this would be covered under Business Matters item C below.

A question was raised regarding the pool of water under one of the swings in the playground and whether it should be cordoned off to stop its use until the soakaway is installed.

Session re-opened

Resolved: - It was proposed by Councillor Forsyth and seconded by Councillor Warren to put up temporary signs and tape off the swing until the water has dried out, and for the Grounds, Litter and Minor Works Committee to look at any other areas once the fence has been removed. All in favour.

T&SC040315. Business Matters.

(a) Update on Broadway pavement application

Councillor Hennessy confirmed that the application for the LHI grant had been approved and that we are currently waiting for confirmation from Cambs County Council regarding the next step. Thanks were given to Councillor Reynolds for filling out the initial application and supporting documents, and to Councillors Hennessy and Forsyth for their presentation to the Council.

(b) Update on Traffic Survey

Councillor Forsyth confirmed that we managed to secure some free time consultation rather than commission a survey, on the basis that the survey would cost up to £3000. He has received a number of quotes and schemes, as shown at the full council meeting, which have now been visited and reviewed. A local resident has also drawn up a scheme.

In terms of the traffic survey for the whole village, the key priority is the parking and child safety in Car Pond Lane, so the range of issues, options and costings to approve the situation were discussed. Also discussed were concerns regarding speeding on the High Street, and the junction at Twenty pence Lane. Views and costings have been received from Cambs County Council traffic engineers regarding possible solutions for Car Pond Lane and the High Street (including extending the 30mph zone, traffic lights, speed cameras etc.). All information now needs to be collated into a survey with priorities, costings and possibility of grants so that recommendations can be made to the full Council. It was also confirmed that Councillor Dodson had received correspondence regarding similar solutions to issues at Car Pond Lane.

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Dodson and seconded by Councillor Warren to approach Cambs County Council traffic engineers to convert information (including the suggestions by the resident) into a survey with recommendations up to a cost of £1500.00. All in favour.

Action Point: Councillor Forsyth to contact Cambs County Council traffic engineers regarding survey

Action Point: Councillor Dodson to update local resident.

(c) Risk assessments including safety of trees

The scope and timings of risk assessments were discussed and it was confirmed that currently Rospa carry out these for the playground and Bmx track and that an informal inspection is carried out annually by Parish Councillors (normally Councillors Yarrow and Warren) and the East Cambs District Tree Officer. Currently we are not aware of any dangerous trees on Parish property.

Action Point: Clerk to confirm when Rospa reports are due, and to include the new playground and BMX track.

Action Point: Clerk to confirm what other risk assessments need to be carried out.

(d) Update on Police Community Liaison

Councillor Dodson confirmed that she had made numerous attempts to arrange a meeting with the Police Community Liaison Officer but had been unsuccessful. She was unhappy with the responses received but would pursue, and if necessary escalate up to the Police Inspector.

T&SC050315. Correspondence not covered in Business Matters.

Complaints had been received regarding cars regularly parking illegally and inappropriately on the High Street and the flats on Clarkes Lane.

Resolved: It was agreed that Councillor Dodson would talk to the residents regarding this.

T&SC060315. Councillor questions.

Councillor Dodson confirmed that she had received a complaint about cars parking across the gates at the recreation field. She confirmed this was being monitored and that the Grounds, Litter and Minor Works committee will be putting a sign on the gate.

T&SC0760315. Date of next meeting – 1 June 2015.

Meeting closed.8.40

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