

# WEST MALLING PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORTATION & STREETLIGHTING COMMITTEE HELD ON 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2016, 7.30PM AT 9 HIGH STREET, WEST MALLING

**Present:** Mr S Harriott (Chairman)  
Mrs T Dean  
Mr R Selkirk  
Mr K Bullard

**Also in attendance:**  
Ms G Barkham (member of WMPC)  
Mrs S Luck (Borough Councillor, co-opted member)

Minute		Action by	Action taken	Response
16/592	<b><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></b> – none.			
16/593	<b><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u></b> – none other than those routinely declared.			
16/594	<b><u>MINUTES</u></b> of the meeting held on 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2016 and 15 <sup>th</sup> August 2016 were approved and signed			
16/595	<b><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></b> from the minutes not otherwise on the agenda			
	<p><b>(16/460.1)</b> Ryarsh Lane – potholes filled with tiles in un-adopted part of the road. Clerk had reported this twice using the online reporting system, but to date has received no response. Clerk to write to Highways officer at KCC.</p> <p><b>(16/461.3)</b> Streetlights - Swan Street streetlight column 67 and King Street streetlight column 20 – order has been placed to replace these columns (with Heritage columns and lanterns). Mr Harriott to confirm timescale.</p> <p><b>(16/462)</b> T&amp;MBC Parking – Double yellow lines, response still awaited from Mr Robert Styles together with safety report</p> <p><b>16/464)</b> Noticeboards &amp; Fingerposts – Planning application is now with Tonbridge &amp; Malling. Timescale of 7 weeks to obtain planning consent and once this is obtained the order can be placed. Mrs Dean has met with Mr Nicholas Heslop (Leader, T&amp;MBC) who was concerned the government funded money had not yet been spent. It was agreed to review the bid and to see which items could be processed quickly.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>SH</b></p> <p><b>T&amp;MBC</b></p>	✓	
16/596	<b><u>STREETLIGHTING</u></b>			
	<p><b>Update:</b> Phase 1 is completed except 2 doors to be fitted. Health &amp; Safety work came in as per the quote. Phase 2 emergency works – order has been placed for emergency works. Prices assume road closures. Phase 2 a – revised price £5216.50 Phase 2 b – Columns 44, 73, 41 &amp; 65 to be Heritage columns etc resulting in price increase.</p>			



	Members responded to the consultation as follows: HGV traffic and inappropriate parking calls for more than a single lorry park, it was felt that consideration should be given to a series of lorry parks. Local network – the consultation draft did not appear to recognise that the A20 corridor is a serious problem on a local level. More detail needed about bus and rail improvements, in particular, better links from the Malling area to Maidstone Hospital.	SH	✓	
<b>16/601</b>	<b><u>JOINT PARISH COUNCILS TRANSPORT CONSULTATIVE GROUP</u></b> Forthcoming dates 23 <sup>rd</sup> January, 3 <sup>rd</sup> April, 26 <sup>th</sup> June & 27 <sup>th</sup> September were noted			
<b>16/602</b>	<b><u>M20 JUNCTION 4 – PROHIBITION OF RIGHT TURN</u></b>			
	Clerk to draft response as follows: The members feel that the right turn is an unsafe stretch of road and therefore from a safety point of view they agree that the ban on the right turn should remain in force. However, the members are concerned that this is only a short term measure as the volume of traffic will soon put extra pressure on the left turn roundabout. Reluctantly, and on safety grounds, the members agree that the right turn be prohibited.	Clerk	✓	
<b>16/603</b>	<b><u>PROVISION OF CYCLE STANDS IN WEST MALLING</u></b>			
	The members are in agreement that West Malling would benefit from the provision of cycle stands and that this view is also being expressed by residents who have commented on the Neighbourhood Plan. It is felt though, that stands should not be added 'piecemeal' and that provision of stands should be looked at in the wider context of the Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed that this issue be considered under the Neighbourhood Plan. Clerk to respond to email from Andre Young (T&MBC)	Clerk	✓	
<b>16/604</b>	<b><u>QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COUNCILLORS</u></b>			
	Ms Barkham commented that the 2 planters outside The Therapy Rooms in King Street were causing an obstruction of what is a narrow pathway. Clerk to mention this to Highways at KCC. Mr Harriott made the members aware that a new Highway Steward, Adam Starbuck, had been appointed and that such matters could be reported to him.	Clerk	✓	
<b>16/605</b>	<b>Next meeting of this committee – it was agreed that this would be Monday 19th December 2016 @ 9 High Street.</b>			
	There being no further business the Chairman thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 9.05  Signed.....  Date.....			