

WEST MALLING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORTATION & STREETLIGHTING COMMITTEE HELD ON 30TH APRIL 2018, 7.30PM AT 9 HIGH STREET, WEST MALLING

Present: **Mr B Merchant (Chairman)**
 Miss G Barkham
 Mr K Bullard
 Mr N Stapleton
 Mrs T Dean

Minute		Action by	Action taken	Response
18/250	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> – Borough Cllr. Luck			
18/251	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> – none.			
18/252	<u>MINUTES</u> of the meeting held on 19 th February 2018 were approved and signed.			
18/253	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u> from the minutes not otherwise on the agenda</p> <p>(18/110) – St Leonards Street speed indicator / mobile speed device. Miss Barkham and Mr Bullard raised concerns about the size and therefore the effectiveness of the new speed indicator device. It was noted that evidence has previously shown that a small device is as effective as a large device, however members are aware of complaints from residents and the effectiveness of the device to be monitored. Speedwatch sessions to be scheduled to monitor speed. Possibility of putting the device onto a back board to be considered.</p> <p>(18/113) – Condition of St Leonards Street, response from KCC Highway Steward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KCC are aware of the condition of the street and would like to be able to resurface it throughout. • Due to funding restrictions, works have to be prioritised based on the level of deterioration and potential risk to highway users, on this basis, St Leonards Street will not be part of this years scheduled works. • Potential of KCC being able to transfer District maintenance funding to the resurfacing team to allow for additional surface treatment sites – St Leonards Street is a possible site and a quote has been requested so as to see if it is feasible. • St Leonards Street has recently been inspected and at this present time there are no defects that warrant intervention. Inspection team will inspect the road at least twice per year. • Meeting between KCC and Parish Council declined by KCC as they are aware of the current condition of the street and a meeting would therefore serve no purpose. <p>Mr Bullard reported that a significant pothole in St Leonards Street has not yet been filled. Clerk to report pothole again.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pedestrian crossing on Swan Street. It was agreed to ask KCC to come out for an initial site visit. Clerk to contact Jez Massey at Highways 	Clerk		
18/254	<u>STREETLIGHTING</u>			

254.1	<u>Phase 3</u>			
	Heritage lanterns have now been delivered and fitted – works invoiced and paid for. Streetlights are now waiting on the brackets for the wall mounted lanterns which should be delivered within 2 weeks. This work has not been invoiced. Monies safeguarded at last Full Council.			
254.2	<u>Phase 4</u>			
	The following columns were identified as 'poor in the recent structural survey. Column 3 - London Road Column 48 – St Leonards Street Column 10 – Town Hill Column 23 – King Street (already identified and factored into Phase 3) UKPN quote received for columns 3,10 & 48. £561 under budget. Cheque to be authorised at tonight's meeting and date for work to be arranged via Streetlights.			
254.3	<u>Unknown lights</u>			
	Query over ownership of heritage style lantern in one of the alleys between the High Street and King Street. The lantern (which is not working) is situated on the premises of Woodgate & Clark who are currently trying to identify if there is a power source running from their building to the lantern. Woodgate & Clark would like the lantern to be brought back into use and have asked an electrician to look at power source. Awaiting a response from Woodgate & Clark. Query over ownership of a non-working streetlight in between Norman Road and Epsom Close. KCC do not have it on their records Mr Bullard to see if he has on file previous streetlight spreadsheets to see if either light has ever been listed.			
18/255	<u>PARKING</u>			
	<u>T&MBC car park charges</u>			
255.1	T&MBC (off street) car park charges consultation: It was noted that T&MBC had increased the car parking charges as per the consultation. The Parish Council had objected to the price increase. It was further noted that the new charges were no higher than the rest of the Borough but that the charges had had an impact on the retailers of West Malling. The Farmhouse have reclaimed 6 parking spaces from T&MBC as the spaces are on Farmhouse land.			
255.2	<u>Churchfields / Scared Crow</u>			
	PCSO Mcelligott has received a comment from a concerned resident that due to cars parking on the path/grass by the Scared Crow that it would be very difficult for an emergency vehicle to gain access to St Mary's Court. It was agreed that access can be difficult. One option is to put double yellow lines on that side of the road. Clerk to contact T&MBC to ask them to assess the situation and to see if enforcement will take action.	Clerk		
18/256	<u>SPEEDWATCH</u>			
	Speedwatch equipment has now been delivered following a lengthy delay. It was agreed to undertake the first session on Sunday 6 th May and to concentrate on Town Hill. Mr Stapleton and Miss Barkham were able to be in attendance Other trained Speedwatch volunteers and PCSO Mcelligott to be notified of date. The active Speedwatch sites are as follows: 4 on St Leonards Street, 2 on Town Hill 2 on Swan Street 2 on Offham Road.			
18/257	<u>PUBLIC TRANSPORT</u>			

257.1	Nu-Venture bus 58	Clerk		
New timetable noted- to take effect as of 21 st May. It was agreed to invite Norman Kemp to a future meeting to discuss specific issues concerning West Malling including cars parked in the bus stop, links to train station and community bus. Clerk to invite Mr Kemp to the next Highways meeting on June 18 th				
257.2	South Eastern Railway			
New timetable noted- to take effect as of 20th May				
18/258	<u>JOINT PARISH TRAFFIC CONSULTATIVE GROUP</u>			
Minutes of the meeting held on 1 st February were received. The next meeting is scheduled for 21 st May which is to concentrate on the Local Plan with specific emphasis on the impact on transport.				
18/259	<u>ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u>			
Accounts for payment - totalling £4132.80 were approved - see attached.				
18/260	<u>QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC & COUNCILLORS –</u>	Clerk		
Clerk was in receipt of a letter from Highways England concerning Smart Motorways and further public consultation dates. Further information on the scheme and public exhibitions can be found at: http://roads.highways.gov.uk/projects/m20-junctions-3-to-5-smart-motorway/				
Mr Stapleton noted that the Lobster Pot workmen were parking vans at the end of Police Station Road on double yellow lines and restricting width of the road considerably. Clerk to speak with T&MBC about enforcement in this area. Mrs Dean asked that T&MBC be contacted so as to organise another parking liaison meeting.				
Next meeting of this committee – the next scheduled date is Monday 18th June @ 9 High Street.				
There being no further business the Chairman thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50 Signed..... Date.....				

Accounts for Payment 30th April 2018						cheques to be drawn
UK Power Networks (cheque 5475)				£3,444.00		£ 4,132.80
(disconnection etc columns 3,10 & 48)	VAT			£688.80		
					Total	£ 4,132.80

Highways and Transportation Committee					
Income	Budget 2018-19	YTD	Budget 2017-18	End of Year	
Members Grant - Speed Equipment				600.00	
Members Grant - Speed sign				6000.00	
Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	6600.00	
Expenditure	Budget 2018/19	YTD	Budget 2017/18	End of Year	
Energy	6656.00	487.42	7500.00	5307.90	
Energy (Oct-March)			3139.36	3139.36	safeguarded 2016/17
Maintenance	5000.00		6000.00	4375.48	
Phased repair programme	10000.00		20000.00	11845.00	
Phased repair programme 16/17			11146.00	11146.00	safeguarded 2016/17
Visual structural inspection				7340.74	
One off repairs	4200.00		3000.00	611.50	
Seasonal (Salt, Floodsax)	300.00		400.00	245.50	
Speedwatch materials	200.00				
Speed Sign				6979.04	
Total	26356.00	487.42	51185.36	50990.52	
Surplus/-deficit	-26356.00	-487.42	-51185.36	-44390.52	