

# Gerrards Cross Town Council

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## The Highways Committee at the Garden Room, Gerrards Cross Memorial Hall at 8.05pm on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Present: Cllr. A Wood (Mayor), Cllr. C Da Costa, Cllr. T Greenfield, Cllr J O’Keeffe, Cllr. B Peck, Cllr. P Roberts, Cllr. C Stuart-Lee.  
In Attendance: C Brown (Associate Councillor), Sue Moffat (Town Clerk), Amy McCreary (Deputy Town Clerk).

**1. Public speaking from residents – N/A**

**2. Apologies for Absence – Cllr. J Chhokar, Cllr. N Barnett, Cllr. S Davey, Cllr. M Bracken, Cllr. B Holborn,**

**3. Sector Reports –**

Cllr Wood reminded the Committee that if they are unable to attend the meeting they must email their report in before the meeting.

(i) **South West Sector** – Cllr Peck to report the drain on South Park Crescent on Fix My Street. Cadent gas works is now complete.

(ii) **North East Sector-** Cllr Greenfield confirmed that the overgrown vegetation he previously reported has not been cut back and he will send photos to the Town Clerk. Cllr Greenfield to re-report the two damaged curbs on Fix My Street. Cllr Holborn sent in a report confirming that the knocked down Oxford Road street sign has been reinstated. The overgrown vegetation obstructing the pavements along the A40 has been cut back. He also reported various roads and street light issues which he has reported on Fix My Street.

(iii) **South East/West Sector** – No Councillor present at the meeting and no report was sent in.

**4. Reporting Lists for Outstanding Highways Issues**

(i) Wapseys Wood – Enforcement of Wapseys Wood - Cllr Wood has contacted the Cabinet Member regarding Wapseys Wood and has been informed that the case is complex due to litigation but now the site has a new owner enforcement can take place.

(ii) Oxford Road/A40 damaged central bollard on A40 – The Town Clerk has received confirmation that this has now been scheduled to be repaired in batch two.

(iii) The Town Clerk reported that Mill Lane Bridge and Marsham Lane Bridge are in progress.

(iv) The Town Clerk to add Oak End Way resurfacing to the list of outstanding issues spreadsheet.

(v) The Town Clerk is awaiting confirmation from Bucks Council for the Oak End Way / Marsham Lane road closure so Amersham Town Council can cut back the vegetation.

(vi) Marsham Lane, Mill Lane and Hedgerley Lane have been marked as urgent on the roads that require flailing. The Town Clerk has been informed the man in charge of flailing is currently off work but the work will be done upon his return.

**5. To confirm target work projects for –** In response to Cllr Santokh Chhokar’s request for future highways works for funding by the Community Board, it was confirmed to put forward resurfacing of Fulmer Road, a section of the A40 in Gerrards Cross on the East side and a section of St Huberts Lane. Cllr Wood has provided photos of Fulmer Road for consideration by the Community Board. The Town Clerk to ask Cllr Bracken for photos of the A40 and Cllr Barnett for photos of Huberts Lane.

**6. To put forward Highways projects for consideration by Buckinghamshire Council –** The Council agreed the following projects to be considered for next year’s budget:

- South Park road resurfacing
- West Common pinch point to slow traffic down
- Traffic survey of East and West Common to understand usage and suitable traffic measures for slowing down traffic.

7. **Packhorse Road / Woodlands** – Cllr Wood confirmed that the second phase of resurfacing Packhorse Road has been scheduled for 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Cllr Wood has received written confirmation that the Woodlands Road surface will be redone as it is still under guarantee.
8. **Potholes** – The Devolved Service Agreement for road repair has been signed. Cllr Wood and Cllr Da Costa are having a meeting with Highways UK to go through the outstanding projects and will concentrate on Swathmore Care home project which has been rejected for funding by the Community Board, cul-de-sacs and reinstatement of white lines.  
Cllr Wood reminded the Councillors that their quadrant reports are essential for identifying new issues.
9. **CCTV cameras** – (a) **Installation of Phase 2 CCTV cameras** – The stress testing report should be back soon and then it will be sent to Buckinghamshire Council for approval. The CCTV contractor needs to requote for the project because the camera specifications have been upgraded and supply costs have increased since his previous quote. Cllr Wood has spoken to the police who confirmed that ANPR cameras would be useful in Gerrards Cross as it is a main traffic route criminal’s use. Cllr O’Keeffe to provide the Town Clerk with information on ANPR cameras. Cllr Wood confirmed that GXTC is funding Phase 2 of the CCTV installation not the Community Board. Cllr Wood also added that the police have also asked for CCTV cameras by the car park at Latchmore Pond and the Apple Tree where there is a lot of anti-social behaviour.  
(b) **Future Monitoring of CCTV cameras** – Cllr O’Keeffe has been liaising with a consultant and will give an update at the next meeting.
10. **Mill Lane Bridge Pedestrian Safety Improvements-** Cllr Wood confirmed the design for pedestrian safety improvements have been submitted to Buckinghamshire Council. S Moffat to follow up about the road closure.
11. **Marsham Lane Bridge Pedestrian Safety Improvements-** Cllr Wood confirmed the design for pedestrian safety improvements have been submitted to Buckinghamshire Council. The Town Clerk to follow up about the road closure.
12. **East Common Road Closure update-** The developer is behind schedule due to the weather conditions. Cllr Wood has communicated with Buckinghamshire Highways department and they are hopeful the road will be opened in mid-November.
13. **Improving our Wonderful Town Working Group**– It was agreed that this agenda item should be discussed at the Full Council Meeting. The Town Clerk to put this item on the Full Council Agenda.
14. **To set up a Speeding Working Party** – The following Councillors will form the Speed Working Party: Chairman Cllr O’Keeffe, Cllr Wood, Cllr Greenfield and Cllr Da Costa.
15. **To consider traffic problems along East Common and West Common** – Cllr Wood confirmed the no bus signs are working.
16. **Defibrillators** – A group of Councillors took part in the defibrillator training on 28<sup>th</sup> September. The Town Clerk to follow up with Wildwood to see if they will agree to have a defibrillator onsite. Cllr Peck agreed to ask Strutt and Parker if they would have a defibrillator on site. Cllr O’Keeffe to check the maintenance schedule of the Tesco defibrillator.
17. **Cycle racks** – Permission has been granted from Buckinghamshire Council to use Highways land to install cycle racks. This is now being considered at the next Community Board Meeting.
18. **Highways budget** – Noted.
19. **Correspondence** – (i) The Town Clerk has received a request from a member of the public to take part in adopting a tree. Cllr Wood will follow this up with the cabinet; (ii) The developer for the 8 new properties at Landrecies, Oxford Road, Tatling End, was very happy with Cllr Stuart-Lee’s road name suggestion of Phoenix Road; (iii) Cllr Wood received an email requesting for the whole of Buckinghamshire to adopt a 20-mph speed limit. The Council agreed that they were against this because every road should be judged on a case-by-case basis.
20. **Communications** – It was agreed that once the proposal of the bridges have been agreed a notification should be uploaded to the Town Council website and Facebook page.
21. **To confirm** that the next meeting of the Highways Committee will be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021, 7.45pm, following the Commons meeting, at Gerrards Cross Memorial Centre.  
Meeting closed at 9.15pm

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