

Gerrards Cross Town Council

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Virtual Minutes of the Highways Committee Meeting held 8.05pm on Tuesday 6th April 2021

Present: Cllr A Woods (Chairman,) Cllr N Barnett, Cllr I Bayliss, Cllr C Brown, Cllr J Chhokar, Cllr J O’Keeffe, Cllr H Orme, Cllr p Roberts, Cllr E Surkovic and Cllr T Scott.
In Attendance: Cllr J Palmiero and Sue Moffat, Amy McCreary (Town Clerk).

- 1. Public speaking from residents** – None.
- 2. Apologies for Absence** – None.
- 3. Potholes** – AW confirmed that he is getting a great response from reporting the potholes on FixmyStreet. An email was sent to Dave Roberts concerning the poor standard or repairs. He confirmed they were semi-permanent repairs and this is an issue because the repair job needs to be done twice which will cost more money. AW also chased him about Packhorse Road and Woodlands but has no confirmed start date. Now that staffing levels have increased the Deputy Clerk will take on more responsibility of reporting potholes on FixmyStreet as well as AW.
- 4. Reports from Councillors on the Town Sectors including Devolved Highways Work**
South West Sector- HO and IB:- (i) SM to report Windsor Road to be swept and the blocked drains; (ii) The cone keeps getting removed from the damaged drain cover opposite Wild Wood and is dangerous. SM has reported this to the LAT.
North East Sector – ES:- (i) Confirmed that a number of potholes have been fixed; (ii) A bench has been fly tipped on the Lower Road near the A413 and; (iii) The hedge has been cut back on Oak End Way.
South East/West Sector - TS and NB. – Nothing to report.
- 5. Reporting Lists for Outstanding Highways Issues** – The Oxford Road /A40 pothole and the white lines that require remarking still have not been painted. AW reported that our Highways Contractor has quoted £1000 to do this work. CB has been assured that the work at Wapseys Wood is going to be done but will chase for confirmation of a date.
SM to update the outstanding projects document on the shared drive and give it to the new councillors once elected.
- 6. SPWP Phase 3 Updates** –The Public consultation will start after the elections on 6th May 2021.
- 7. CCTV updates** – SM reported that she has contacted the electrical contractor for a quote. SM confirmed she will send the quotes to AW, JO when received.
- 8. Mill Lane Bridge, Pedestrian Safety Improvements** – The Signalling Engineer at Bucks Council is on-board now he knows the cost is coming out of our budget. The route has been agreed. It was confirmed that a site visit will take place to deal with the visibility issues.
- 9. At the request of Cllr Scott, ‘To propose that the Packhorse is renamed the High Street’** As both TS and PR have received negative feedback regarding this proposal it was agreed no change should be made.
- 10. Budget** – JC reported that everything was in budget and £1800 had been paid to fix the potholes.
- 11. Communications** – VOICE- SM to distribute the final version of the VOICE. The councillors need to send in their reports for the Annual Town Meeting so AM can put them on the PowerPoint template.
- 12. Correspondence** - (i) A thank you for clearing the gullies alongside the Common at the junction with A40/Packhorse Rd; (ii) Request for more lighting around the alley off Ethorpe Close to protect women and other commuters so they can feel safe walking to the Station and home; (iii) Request for more lighting in GX for women, men and children to walk at night. Plus, request for more CCTV e.g. on the Common, by the Apple Tree and Convenience store area and footpaths where school children walk daily. (iv) Everyone agreed that SM should confirm interest in the bunting and free street entrainment. (v) AW was informed by the phone shop owner that there was going to be a month’s free parking in Gerrards Cross. SM to confirm with the Parking Manager.

- 13. **Items for the next meeting:** -What publicity is required for the Annual Town Meeting. SM confirmed that posters had been put up on the notice boards, it is on the GXT Council website and will be uploaded to Facebook and Nextdoor.
- 14. **To confirm** that the next meeting of the Highways Committee will be held on Tuesday 4th May 2021, 8pm after the Commons' meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.44pm

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