

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HIGHWAYS & PLANNING
COMMITTEE HELD 3RD FEBRUARY, 2016**

Cllrs. Present: Cllr. Stephanie Arnold, Cllr. Paul Carnell, Cllr. Ian Corben, Cllr. Cynthia Garton (Chair), Cllr. John Jupe, Cllr. Chris Yates

H67 Apologies: Cllr. Helen Corben, Cllr. Shankerlal Sthankiya
With effect from the close of business hours today, all communications have been checked for the receipt of apologies.

H68 Minutes & Matters Arising
Meetings of 6th & 20th January, 2016
H62, Stephen Bradbury, Hampshire Highways responds as follows:

- He will examine the problems with drainage at the footbridge approach in Charles Watts Way
- Freegrounds Avenue, he investigated this problem on 8th January, he found that a surface water drainage pipe was damaged by Southern Gas Networks several years ago, SGN have advised him that they will get a gang on site very soon to excavate and make the necessary repair
- Botley Road, the pothole is around an SGN valve box, it has been put to SGN to repair
- Tanhouse Lane, he has noticed this problem and raised a job to install additional drainage, the work will be completed after April.

Cllr. John Jupe informed members that the Turnpike Way footpath reported H62, has now been cleared and cut back.

The Head Groundsman has responded to reports regarding the condition of the footpath surface at the entrance to Dowd's Farm Park close to the former site of Hackworth Gardens play area. He found that the path entrance was clear, however, he agreed that the approach was very muddy and slippery and returned with appropriate equipment to blow the debris off the path. Whilst there he did notice that the bridleway either side of the entrance was in very poor condition, however, this would be the responsibility of EBC and he would not be able to afford the manpower to sufficiently clear these areas which are not technically HETC responsibility. He confirmed that the former site of Hackworth Gardens play area is cut back by HETC, however, all surrounding areas of grass and shrubs are serviced by EBC. Noted.

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

H69 Correspondence:

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i) Notification of planning appeal against the Council's refusal of planning permission 229, Cranbourne Park and the proposed development of a first floor side extension. Noted.

ii) Richard Pemberton, Sustainable Transport Manager, EBC. From Saturday 27th February, Xelabus will be reducing the Saturday frequency of route X4 (Eastleigh-Parkway-West End-Hedge End) from the current hourly frequency, to every two hours. The Monday to Friday service remains unchanged. Noted.

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H70 Public Consultation. Eastleigh Borough Local Plan 2011 – 2029. To discuss views on how the plan meets the need for new homes and related development in Eastleigh Borough and on other issues that affect the local community.

The clerk is instructed to raise the following issues and recommendations in response to the Consultation:

- **Members note that improvements to Jnct.8, M27, will be effected by the Highways England and whilst this is imperative, would raise issue with the impact that future development will have on the existing traffic congestion of Jnct.7, where improvements and appropriate traffic management systems, including the onward going traffic as far as Hinkner Road, needs serious addressing.**
- **Advanced infrastructure, transport networks, and traffic management systems must be implemented prior to Development.**
- **In light of the intended completion of the Botley By-Pass, there will be a knock-on effect to Woodhouse Lane/Maypole Roundabout where appropriate traffic management schemes must be considered.**
- **Members consider the provision of an additional fully operational Medical Centre, with local accessibility for a range of out-patient services, is a priority, together with improved transport links.**
- **It is noted that a Cemetery is allocated to Option F. Clarification is required as to which parish will be awarded this amenity. Restrictions have been imposed at Albert Road Cemetery to slow the amenity specifically to parishioners and it is likely that the cemetery will close within the period of the Local Plan. The proposed new site in Kanes Hill will be at a premium budget, to take in design, preparation and safe access from the A27 and to offer a fully comprehensive service. If the proposed cemetery, identified in Option F, were to be placed in Woodhouse Lane, this would be a far more effective location both financially and as an amenity to the parishioner.**
- **Allotments (Option F): Clarification is required as to which parish will be awarded this amenity. There is a demand in Hedge End for further allotment allocation.**
- **Sports facilities/pitches (Option F): Clarification is required as to which parish will be awarded this amenity. There is a demand in Hedge End for further sports facilities of a standard to meet League requirements in both Football and Cricket, as well as requests from other sports such as Rugby, Track and Field sports and Hockey.**
- **Bottom Copse (Option F), is a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) and the Town Council would wish it to be more significant within the Local Plan, particularly in view of the close proximity of proposed further development.**
- **Schools: Further development will exacerbate the current demand for Primary School places. Wellstead Primary School has already been extended. Future development at Woodhouse Lane must guarantee the development of a primary school to meet the demand of new in-take and thereby reduce the need to transport/commute and making a safer environment for children walking to school.**

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- **Green Travel: Cycleways and improved Green Travel are a major priority throughout the Borough of Eastleigh. The Committee would recommend improvements to facilities at Hedge End Railway Station i.e. public conveniences, secure cycle storage, access for the less able to Platform 2, a direct train link to Southampton and continuity between train and bus timetables, all of which would encourage commuters.**
- **Green Travel: The Committee would recommend that new major developments include facilities such as a Medical Centre, Community Buildings, a local retail store for every day groceries and a Pharmacy to aid green travel and reduce the impact of traffic in surrounding areas.**
- **Members are concerned to learn the implication of further development at Hedge End Retail Park and the potential impact upon traffic and trading in the village centre and would recommend that given the existing problems, further development must encompass a need for Leisure facilities, i.e. Cinema, that would draw interest beyond retail trading times and meet an essential current deficit.**
- **To support the relaxation of policy to provide more diverse uses in towns and local centres. There must be a pro-active and sustainable regeneration of the village centre to include residential apartments, raising the profile with Artisan businesses, restaurants, coffee bars and a priority given to the current lack of a public car park.**
- **Urban Drainage Systems: With further development, assurances of sufficient Foul Waste capacity is imperative. This is a major concern generally, with climate change and more frequent incidence of surface water flooding.**
- **The Council would wish to support maintaining the strategic/green gaps between developments and to maintain the identity of parishes.**
- **What provision is there for Law & Order/Crime Prevention?**

H71 Planning Applications:

F/16/77809, 16 Gullycroft Mead. Single storey rear extension with log burner flue.

Resolved: No objection.

T/16/77827, 5-9, Shamblehurst Lane. Fell four Sycamores. **Resolved: The Committee will accept the recommendations of the Borough Tree Officer.**

F/16/77885, 69 Elliot Rise. Construction of attached garage and store. **Resolved: No objection.**

F/16/77869, 16 Upper Northam Road. Two storey side and rear extension, single storey rear extension and attached garage. **Resolved: No objection.**

H72 Highway Matters:

The clerk is instructed to report/action the following:

- **Woodstock Close cut-way to Bridlepath at Tanhouse Lane, the drainage ditch is blocked and full of rubbish and debris and as a consequence surface water cannot disperse**
- **Heath House Lane, close to the footpath to Thermal Walk is a popular crossing for mothers and children to reach Norman Rodaway Pavilion for both the Play Group**

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and the park and stride facility. It is an extremely dangerous crossing point located on the bend of the road, which causes a blind spot, and also due to the speed of traffic. Members would call for either traffic calming measures or a pedestrian refuge to be installed.

- The Committee would wish to seek confirmation as to whether the new Sundays Hill By Pass will have a 30 mph speed restriction.
- Reports of overgrown grass impeding the footpaths at: Cranbourne Park, Sherwood Avenue, Mapleton Road, Prestwood Road and Heath House Lane.
- Motorists are regularly parking vehicles in Turnpike Way to reach Shafford Meadows via Hogsty Copse, the Committee would wish to request that TRO are placed to extend double yellow lines to this location to stop this practice which seriously obstructs sight lines and may cause an accident.

H73 All members of the public and press are requested to leave the meeting - Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

None present.

H74 Exempt Business

Matters concerning enforcement were discussed.