

Melbourne Parish Council

Mrs J Storer - Parish Clerk, 2 Mansfields Croft, Etwall, Derbyshire DE65 6NJ



Highway Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the Highways Committee held at 8.15pm Monday 9th September 2013 at the Shorne Room, Melbourne

Present – Cllr Smith (Chairman), Carroll, Parker, Stockill,

1. Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Earp
2. Minutes of the previous Highways & Street Lighting meeting approved by Council, were signed by the Chairman as a true record.
3. The Clerk is to receive training on the CCTV system on 13th September, when the system will be live.
4. The new LED lights for the Christmas lights have arrived and the Sexton will be asked to collect and fit the bulbs to ensure there are no problems prior to their erection.
5. There has been no update as to the condition of the bench at Jubilee Close. The Clerk will make enquires with SDDC. **(Action: Clerk)**.
6. Cllr Smith reported that overhanging trees are still a problem, particularly on Robinson Hill. The Clerk will report these to DCC. **(Action: Clerk)**
7. Hanging baskets – Cllr Carroll commented that they are looking very good. The Committee agreed and recommended that the contractor is used again next year, but a request is to be made for the inclusion of brighter colours.
8. Cllr Carroll reported that the ditch at the bottom of Jawbone Lane which is not functioning properly, may have been filled in. The Clerk will contact SDDC to enquire if this is the case. **(Action: Clerk)**
9. The problems with the pavement at Woodhouses which have been reported to DCC, still remain. The Clerk will pursue the matter. **(Action: Clerk)**
10. The condition of the road surface at Nettleford Crescent is poor and was reported to Cllr Chilton. A report on this is awaited from Cllr Chilton.
11. The Clerk reported that DCC has marked out the north side pavement of Victoria Street for repair.
12. The speedbumps on Packhorse Road are stable as confirmed by DCC, but the road surface around the speedhumps is deteriorating. DCC has advised that the road will be resurfaced in the new year. It was agreed not to write any further letters on this matter unless the situation deteriorates; then the matter will be brought back to the Committee for a decision.

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13. The Clerk has received an email from DCC Rights of Way Officer as to who is responsible for which public footpath. This will be circulated to all Committee members for comments. **(Action: all Committee members)**
14. A request has been received for a grit bin at the top of Blanchcroft. The Clerk and Committee members will view the location and bring the matter to the next Committee meeting for a decision.
15. The lengthsman has reported that there are instances whereby hedge clippings have not been removed from the pavement. If it is known who the person responsible is, a polite notice will be sent to them.
16. The Lengthsman was requested to keep Penn Lane clear of leaves as far as possible, and to ensure that the area around the Cenotaph and the Bench for D Blinco is kept clean and tidy.
17. The police have confirmed that they will be in attendance for the Wakes and that sufficient police will be available.
18. The Clerk is to attend a meeting with the British Legion regarding the Remembrance Day parade. The Clerk will also speak with the police prior to this meeting to ascertain their requirements for the parade. **(Action: Clerk)**
19. The kerb stones and brick steps have become loose and some are broken. The Clerk will report this to DCC **(Action: Clerk)**.
20. Cllr Stockill reported that the road surface on Potter Street is in a poor condition. The Clerk will report this to DCC. **(Action: Clerk)**.

Date of next meeting: to be advised at the Parish Council meeting on 7th October 2013. There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:50pm.

Committee 2 Highways and Street Lighting - Cllr W Earp – Chairman