



## HIGHWAYS AND STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019** in Edgmond Village Hall at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Councillor A Wilson  
Councillor R Higginson  
Councillor S Bentley  
Councillor G Williams

In attendance: Katrina Baker (Clerk)

### **H2019/001 Welcome**

The Clerk welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

### **H2019/002 Election of Chairman**

Councillor A Wilson  
Proposed by Councillor Williams  
Seconded by Councillor Higginson

**RESOLVED that Councillor A Wilson be the Chairman of the Highways Committee for 2019/2020.**

### **H2019/003 Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

Councillor Wilson read and signed his Declaration, witnessed by the Clerk, as the Proper Officer of the Authority.

### **H2019/004 Apologies for absence**

Councillor G Jones  
Alternative engagement

**RESOLVED that the apologies be accepted.**

### **H2019/005 Election of Vice Chairman**

Councillor R Higginson  
Proposed by Councillor S Bentley  
Seconded by Councillor G Williams

**RESOLVED that Councillor R Higginson be the Vice Chairman of the Highways Committee for 2019/20.**

### **H2019/006 Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

Councillor Higginson read and signed his Declaration, witnessed by the Clerk, as the Proper Officer of the Authority.

**H2019/007    Declarations of Interest**

None

**H2019/008    Terms of Reference**

It was proposed by Councillor Wilson and seconded by Councillor Bentley, that the Terms of Reference be confirmed for 2019/23. All were in favour and thus it was

**RESOLVED that the Terms of Reference be confirmed.**

**H2019/009    Rural Forum**

Councillor Higginson and the Clerk had attended the Rural Forum on 18<sup>th</sup> June. Representatives of Balfour Beatty and TWC were in attendance to outline the new contract. Copies of the slides are available. It was interesting to hear of their commitment to clear 33,000 road drains before the end of March and to introduce a programme to ensure that they are kept clear. Each one will be plotted and monitored in order that, where necessary, they receive extra visits. There will also be a regular schedule for road-sweeping. Information was shared regarding the reporting and action on potholes. It was confirmed that all reports should be via My Telford. A copy of the Minutes has been circulated.

A representative of Morelock was also in attendance to explain how a rural partnership could work to provide part time SIDs across the partner parishes. Parish Councils would purchase the equipment and a scheme be introduced to fund the download of information and relocating to the next site. TWC is keen to work with this partnership as it will find the information available useful when considering traffic calming schemes.

**RESOLVED that Edmond Parish Council joins the partnership to provide Speed Indicator Devices at locations around the Parish (to be decided)**

**H2019/010    Street Lighting**

- a) The lights in Shrewsbury Road have, at last, been repaired, this was a network issue and required Western Power Distribution to attend.
- b) There are two current faults under investigation by EON.
- c) To date 38 lights have been replaced, this is the first phase of our upgrade programme and the first invoice is due for payment.
- d) EON had attended the light in Kilvert Close prior to the quotation being submitted and the box had been repaired. Details of the new light regime have been provided which confirms that the new light is dimmer at 8pm and again at midnight. No further complaints have been received.

**H2019/011    Road Safety**

- a) There are many signs around the Parish that need to have hedges / trees cut back to ensure that they can be seen. There are others that need to be cleaned. Residents will be asked to take a look outside of their properties and assist with these tasks if at all possible. Cllr Higginson will include this in his next magazine article.
- b) There is a new link officer for the Community Speedwatch Scheme, Mark Booth. Councillor Wilson continues to liaise with the volunteers and Adnan / Mark and monitors the results of each session.
- c) Concerns remain outside of the Primary School. The Clerk will ask that the police / CSOs visit at school time to monitor the issues.

**H2019/012 Highways and Transport**

- a) The proposed 3 day diversion will affect the service buses and Members agreed that the best diversion route would be via Chetwynd Road.
- b) The confusing road layout at the Longford Lane junction will be reported.
- c) Martin Reid has kindly continued to represent Edgmond Parish Council on the TW Bus User Group. Other local residents also attend. It is necessary to ensure that bus stops are visible and clean and that relevant up to date timetables are displayed. Councillor Williams will also be added to the distribution list for agendas and minutes.
- d) Arriva 519 is to be promoted by the Shropshire Bus User Group and a representative will attend the next TW meeting to see how the groups can work together. Members were aware that this current project is only a pilot and will continue after December unless the usage increases dramatically. There is no subsidy available for the Saturday services.

**H2019/013 Any Other Matters**

Councillor Higginson will include messages to the community regarding highways issues in the next magazine.

**H2019/014 Next Meeting**

14<sup>th</sup> October 2019 7pm

It might be necessary to call a meeting to discuss the Speed Indicator Device Partnership.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.50pm

Signed .....Date .....