

TIPTREE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF HIGHWAYS, STREET LIGHTING AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Highways, Street Lighting and Footpaths Committee took place on Monday 1st April 2019 at 7.00pm in the Meeting Room, Community Centre, Caxton Close

Present Cllrs:	N Mattinson (Vice Chairman)	Mrs S Allen-Shepherd
	C Bigg	D Evans
	R Smithson	Mrs B Wood

Also in attendance – One member of the public and the Clerk of the Council

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr R Mannion, Cllr N Mattinson chaired the meeting

743/18 Apologies for Absence – Cllr R Mannion

744/18 Declarations of Interest – There were no declarations of interest.

745/18 Chairman's Announcements

Cllr N Mattinson reported to the meeting that he had received an e.mail about the expansion of the A12 to accommodate the housing growth in North Essex. Cllr D Evans reported that the Government has been approached for funding for the Kelvedon to Colchester part of the A12. Cllr N Mattinson said that he will forward the e.mail to everyone.

746/18 Public questions – There were no questions from those present.

747/18 Minutes of Meeting – 17th December 2018 and 4th February 2019

The minutes of the last two meetings, having previously been approved, were signed by the Chairman Cllr N Mattinson.

748/18 Transport Representative Report

Mr Whybrow asked whether a meeting had been fixed with Heddingham Buses to discuss the No. 75 bus route. The Clerk explained that she had made contact in December 2018/January 2019 but that it had not proved possible to fix a meeting. More recent correspondence is asking why a meeting is necessary. Mr Whybrow confirmed that the meeting is to discuss the No.75 and No.91 routes and the possibility of Heddingham Buses running these routes.

There followed a general discussion about the availability of transport in the area. It was felt that a lot of people are not aware of what is available. It was agreed that Mr Whybrow will investigate alternatives and Cllr R Smithson said that he would find out about Community 360 and report back to the meeting.

Mr Whybrow told the meeting that a new bus stop has been put in on the Kelvedon Road.

Mr Whybrow asked about the closure/movement of bus stops during road works and development works. Sometimes the bus stops are closed completely and sometimes temporary stops are put in. The Clerk confirmed that these are not notified to the office.

749/18 Footpath Representative

The Clerk apologised again that she had not been able to contact the person who was interested in being the Footpath Representative. However, it was proposed by Cllr D

Evans and seconded by Cllr C Bigg that the person should be appointed as the Footpath Representative and should be asked to attend future meetings. This was agreed unanimously.

750/18 Streetlights

Cllr N Mattinson said that the committee should agree on which road/s will have the lights replaced for LEDs, following the end of the financial year. Chapel Road and New Road were discussed and it was agreed that New Road is favoured. The Clerk was asked to send a copy of the list of streetlights to Cllr N Mattinson, who would make a spreadsheet.

The Clerk was asked to e.mail Cllr Kevin Bentley and Cllr John Jowers about the street lights that have not been repaired in Church Street and Maldon Road.

751/18 Highways Matters

1. Village Speeding Issues – There have still been no enquiries about joining a Speedwatch Group and the advertising will be continued. Cllr N Mattinson was asked to publicise this on Facebook.
2. Trucam Enforcement - The Clerk reported that she had not received any further information and would chase the matter.
3. Station Road and Church Road Lights – This had been dealt with under item 750/18.
4. Parking on Junction of Station Road and Maldon Road, Peakes Close and along Station Road – The Clerk said that the problems had been reported to the North Essex Parking Partnership and a reply is awaited. It was agreed that the Clerk will be asked to write to the school about the use of the New Times car park.
5. Mildene School Parking – A complaint had been received from a resident about the parking outside the school. Cllr D Evans said that parking on the pavement is a criminal offence and that this should be followed up with the police and the school. The Clerk was asked to write to the school and to reply to the resident and explain the procedure for parking restrictions.
6. Road Repairs in Church Road – A resident had sent a copy of a letter to Essex County Council about the poor state of repair of the road surface near Asda. This was noted.

Cllr Mrs S Allen-shepherd told the meeting that the courtesy crossing near Tesco needs attention and she was asked to report this to Essex County Council Highways.

752/18 Local Highways Panel

1. It was noted that a meeting of the Panel will be held on 6th June 2019.
2. Update on previously submitted schemes – the Clerk circulated a list of updates on previously submitted schemes.

Location	Project	Update
LCOL163003 B1022 Maldon Road nr Ship	Footway design	Feasibility study completed and costings received. Scheme to proceed with legal and l aspects. Consultation and land purchase to take place by Aug.16 Meeting with residents/ECC – 15.6.16 Monies allocated for land negotiations ECC advised – project has been delayed to 18 June 2018 – Design Stage only. Scheme for part of the rolling programme March 2019 – Land negotiations, legal costs and finalise design elements with detailed tar

		costing.
Quince Court	No Through Road signage	Submitted 18.11.15 LHP suggested approaching CBC for new signage – actioned March 2019 – No update found
LCOL162049 Junction Station Rd/Church Rd/Chapel Rd	Junction Improvements – site meeting held on 13.11.15 with J Jowers and ECC Officers	Submitted 18.11.15 Scheme in validation June 2018 - Scheme in Feasibility Stage Investigation into advanced junction warning signage in either direction. Station Road - Investigation to straighten up centre line markings, possible ped refuge island, explore adjusting lane markings to allow two vehicles to exit. Chapel Road - Investigate adjustments to the kerb line and centreline carriageway markings, explore adjusting lane markings to allow two vehicles to exit. March 2019 – Design completed and shared with the County member. The Clerk was asked to speak to the Highways Officer.
LCOL172008 Hall Road	Reduction of speed limit to 30mph	ECC suggested signage ECC will consider again – Aug 2017 Application not supported by Network Assurance Team, therefore only option is signage which has been requested June 2018 – In validation March 2019 – No further update
Kelvedon Road	Footway widening to assist wheelchair users	LHP request submitted – 23.8.17 March 2019 – No update found
LCOL185008 Colchester Road	Lack of raised kerbing	December 2018 - Awaiting further information from County Member. March 2019 – No update found
Church Road near ASDA	Bus Shelter	LHP request submitted – 13.9.17 March 2019 – No update found
Church Road near The Centre	Bus Shelter	LHP request submitted – 13.9.17 March 2019 – No update found
New Road	Speed survey	LHP request submitted – 13.9.17 March 2019 – No update found

The Clerk was asked to make enquires about a scheme that was submitted for a crossing at Thurstable School.

753/18 Financial Comparison

The financial comparison was circulated and noted.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.25pm

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