



## HIGHWAYS, STREET LIGHTING AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Highways, Street Lighting and Footpaths Committee took place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 19.30 in the Meeting Room, Community Centre, Caxton Close, Tiptree.

Present Cllrs: S Allen-Shepherd (Chair) S Gulleford  
A Girling (Vice Chair) B Wood  
M Woodcraft

Also, in attendance - Cllr A Peck, 5 members of the public and the Deputy Clerk to the Council

### 043/23 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were noted from Cllr Hatton.

### 044/23 **Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### 045/23 **Chair's Announcement**

The Chair informed the committee that at the recent Colchester Association of Local Councils it was mentioned that there is a member led footway scheme. We are in contact with our County Councillor to gather additional information regarding this program and to determine if we can propose locations for repair.

### 046/23 **Minutes of Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 were proposed, seconded, and unanimously **Resolved** as a correct record and duly signed.

### 047/23 **Public Questions**

- A member of the public asked if there had been any further information received on the installation of the zebra crossing near the Nine Acres Estate. Currently there is no further update as this is with Essex Highways (EH) to resolve.
- The same member of the public asked about the footpaths that were part of the 2019 planning permission for Nine Acres and if the footpath would be maintained by Tiptree Parish Council.  
TPC will investigate the Footpaths and provide a response.
- A member of the public asked if there was any update on the flooding of Blue Road.

This is with the design and planning team for the Surface Water Alleviation Scheme for the design to be planned in 2023/24 and possibly implemented in the 2024/25 schedule of works. There has been no further update received on this issue from Essex Highways.

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The Members of the Public left the meeting after this item.

**048/23 Incident outside Tiptree Heath Primary School.**

An Incident involving a pedestrian and a lorry outside of Tiptree Heath school has been reported to the Parish Council. We have followed up with the local Highways Panel (LHP) as the school have advised that funds were assigned to the school for the instillation of barriers. The LHP are following up on why these funds have not been released to the school. We will continue to chase for updates until confirmation of the funds to the school has been received.

**049/23 VAS Sign near the Maypole.**

There is a non-working VAS sign on the corner of Oak Road opposite the Maypole Thai Restaurant. It was pointed out that, although the sign might not be in the ideal location, having a functional sign is preferable to having no sign at all. The Sign, although funded by Essex County Council has not been adopted. Information received from the LHP is that TPC would be able to adopt and apply for a licence to maintain the sign. An initial quote for a survey of the sign is £365+VAT this is from the manufacturer. The survey would advise what works need to be completed for the sign to become operational.

It was proposed, seconded, and unanimously **Resolved** that a licence for the sign be applied for and that the initial survey of the sign was undertaken using funds from the street furniture budget.

**050/23 Projects Update**

Item 7 – Street light ID plates. It was agreed that this item would be closed.

Item 12 – Newbridge Road – it was agreed that the LHP request with the resident's support be sent to Cllr Bentley.

Item 15 – It was agreed that we would contact the school and the North Essex Parking Partnership to see if the school would be willing to participate in their schools considerate parking scheme.

**051/23 Highways Matters and Reportable Issues**

item 55 – Sunken Pavement at Ketley's Place is to be moved to Projects list and information on Active Travel is to be sought to see if this location can be included in future works.

The reportable issues list was **Received** and **Noted** by the committee.

**052/23 Financial Comparison**

After discussion the Budget for 2024/25 was proposed seconded and unanimously **Resolved**.

The current year's budget was received and noted by the committee.

**053/23 Date of next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting will be 21<sup>st</sup> November at 19.30

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.54.

Signature ..... *Susan J. Shepherd* ..... Date ..... *21.11.2023* .....