

## NUTHURST PARISH COUNCIL

Report from the Parish Council 'virtual' Roads & Footpath Committee Meeting, held on  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020, Commencing at 8.25pm

**Present:** Cllr N Bryant (Chairman) Cllr O Hydes (OBE)  
Cllr J Bromley Cllr C Kenny (Vice Chairman)  
Cllr R Cato Cllr D Livingstone  
Cllr J Chaytor Cllr T Nelson

The Clerk to the Parish Council, Sarah Hall, and one member of the public also attended the meeting.

### **RFC015-20/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** that there were no apologies for absence.

### **RFC016-20/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest, as defined under the Localism Act 2011 and the Parish Councils Code of Conduct, were made.

### **RFC017-20/21 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE ROADS & FOOTPATH COMMITTEE MEETING**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the [Roads and Footpath Committee](#) meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2020, be confirmed as a correct record and be recommended for approval to the Full Parish Council.

(Approved by Cllr N Bryant, Cllr J Chaytor, Cllr C Kenny, Cllr O Hydes (OBE) and Cllr D Livingstone. Cllr J Bromley, Cllr R Cato and Cllr T Nelson were not on the Roads & Footpath committee when the meeting was held).

### **RFC018-20/21 CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman of the Roads & Footpath committee did not make any announcements.

### **RFC019-20/21 PUBLIC SESSION**

No members of the public present wished to speak in the public forum.

### **RFC020-20/21 TRAFFIC ISSUES IN THE PARISH**

#### **i) Parking in the triangle, Pound Lane**

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** that a purchase order has been raised for Landbuild to erect 18 metres of 'Birds mouth' fencing along the front of the parking triangle (adjacent to Brighton Road) at the end of Pound Lane. Cllr N Bryant contacted a number of NRSW accredited companies and made a significant saving on the original quotation.

#### **ii) Pedestrian Crossing**

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** that Cllr R Cato volunteered to carry out a 'mini' survey during the next few weeks, and then carry out a more comprehensive survey when the houses in Vaughn Copse and the flats at the former Dun Horse Inn were occupied. The cost will be approximately £75,000 and data/public consultation will be required to support an application. A tunnel was suggested by Cllr D Livingstone.

**RFC021-20/21 CYCLISTS & CYCLE ROUTES IN THE PARISH**

**Shared cycle/walk path from Monks Gate to Horsham**

Introduction - Cllr D Livingstone

One of the objectives in the Neighbourhood Plan was to 'encourage safe walking and cycling' and this could be achieved with a cycle route from Monks Gate to Horsham. The Government are keen to push cycling and active travel and have provided a large amount of money to local authorities. Horsham Council were slow to respond but have now issued their draft Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP). This includes mainly urban areas, Nuthurst is mentioned, but not in any detail.

Active Planning were the only company who responded to the request for a feasibility study. District Councillor Ruth Fletcher and Peter Silburn of Horsham District Cycling Forum have both said that Active Planning's £10,000 proposal is excellent.

Other authorities have used CIL funds to finance feasibility studies.

The proposal was discussed at length by the Councillors and it was **RESOLVED to RECOMMEND**

**RFC022-20/21 CHARGING POINT STRATEGY FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

Horsham District Council have a 'Charging Point Strategy for Electric Vehicles'. Cllr D Livingstone proposed that a letter be written to HDC stating that on street charging points are needed in the parish and that they are the correct specification i.e.; fast and rapid charging points.

It was **RESOLVED to RECOMMEND** to the Full Parish Council that a letter is sent to HDC stating that there is a need for street charging points in the parish. Cllr D Livingstone volunteered to assist the Clerk with the letter.

**RFC023-20/21 HIGHWAY & FOOTPATH ISSUES**

Cllr C Kenny reported that the highway in Polecat Lane was sinking, dangerously close to the main gas pipeline.

It was **RESOLVED** for the Clerk to report the matter to WSCC Highways.

**RFC024-20/21 MINOR MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS TO BE REFERRED TO ON THE NEXT AGENDA**

The members did not request for any items to be included on the next agenda.

**The meeting closed at 9.17pm**

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Chairman of the Roads & Footpath Committee

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