

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE HELD ON 8th SEPTEMBER 2025 AT THE PAVILION, BOX

#### 1. Councillors Present:

Cllr R Davies (Chair) Cllr N Ingledew (Vice Chair) Cllr D Duncan Cllr I Johnson

Cllr H Parker

Cllr T Walton

Clerk - S Vickery

## 2. Apologies:

Cllr R Leach

- 3. **Absence**: Nil
- 4. **Public Question Time**: There were no members of the public present.
- 5. **Declarations of Interest**: There were no declarations of interest.
- 6. **Previous Minutes**. The minutes of the previous Committee held on 21st July 2025 were taken as read and signed as a true record.

## 7. Matters and Actions arising from the Minutes:

a. Metro Count and Signage - B3109 Wadswick. An update is still required on the new speeds of traffic on the A3109 and if possible, a picture of the new signage that will be erected at the Wadswick entrance.

Action: Clerk to obtain information ref Wadswick.

- b. Damaged broken drainage on the A4 and DYL at the top of Valens Terrace. The Committee were keen to understand the design solution for both the A4 drainage (opposite the Cemetery) and the DYL at the top of Valens Terrace. Action: Clerk to confirm designs with Wiltshire Highways (WH).
- c. LHFIG ongoing signage issues. The Chair and Cllr Chamberlain have visited a number of road sites; subsequently they have submitted a number of requests direct to WH for improved safety signage. A map of requests was circulated at the meeting.
- d. Traffic speed reduction requests. There was a discussion on the Committee's aspirations for a number of speed reductions when leaving the A4; WH had responded negatively to these requests, suggesting a metro count or that a speed reduction would not be considered. The Chair and Council Chair intend to take this up with the Cabinet Member for Highways.

- e. **Reinstatement of Bus stop at the Cemetery.** The Clerk has submitted the relevant papers to WH for the new bus shelter department to consider. The Clerk would hasten with WH.
- f. Old Jockey Farm Junction. The Chair explained that his number one safety concern was the junction at Old Jockey Farm (on to the Kingsdown Road). The Chair has written directly to the Senior Traffic Engineer and enlisted the help of Cllr Chamberlain.
- g. White Equinox and the A3109 Junction. It was suggested that the lack of a Stop or Give way sign at the junction is safety issue. It was agreed to submit an issues sheet to address the lack of signage at this junction.

Action: Clerk to submit an Issues sheet to WH.

#### h. Car Park - Market Place.

- i. RHS Wall. After inspection by Wiltshire Council (WC), there is a large repair bill, £13k to consider. The Clerk has engaged a contractor to reevaluate the repair and will report back. WC will fund 50% of the repair. In the longer term there is a need to build funds for future repairs. Ongoing.
- ii. Disabled spaces. After a proposal to re-site one disabled bay, it was recommended unanimously to switch the location of the disabled bay provided that there are no limitations from WC.

## i. Car Park - Selwyn Hall

- i. **Disabled Spaces and Pot Holes**. The OSM will re-paint the spaces and attempt to repair the pot holes this autumn.
- ii. **Unauthorised cars**. The Clerk is now in contact with the Community PC who is assisting with enforcement action. The Chair is also now in contact with the PC to exchange vehicle details.
- iii. **Street Lamp meter**. Cllr Ingledew will check with the Hall committee when they wish to be presented with the electricity bill for the street lamp.

## 8. <u>Items for discussion</u>

**a. SIDs:** There was a discussion ref placement and location of SIDs. There had been some mixed messages from WC ref website information, the April 24 revised policy and the 2023 Practice Note. The Committee wished to see the re-erection of the SIDs on the A365 and A4.

Action: Clerk to investigate historical SID advice.

- b. **EV.** Cllr Ingledew has contacted the WC Team who have registered the Council's interest in having an EV point(s) in the Parish.
- c. **Box Hill Common request 20 mph**. A parishioner had requested a speed reduction for Boxhill Common of 20mph. There was a discussion on the benefits

of reducing the speed at the Common(s). It was **recommended** by a majority of 5 to 1 to support this request.

Action: Clerk to support a speed reduction request once resolved at Full Council.

- d. **Bike shed**. It was agreed to re-site the existing bike rack to the changing room end of the Pavilion to assist cyclist with bike storage.
- 9. **Correspondence**. There was no new correspondence to consider.
- 10. Rights of Way. There were no new items of RoW to discuss.
- 11. <u>Items for Parish Steward</u>. The Parish Steward had visited the Parish earlier today to attend to Boxfields Road, Mill Lane, Hedgesparrow Lane and Beech Road.
- 12. **Forward Plan**. Work on the Forward Plan is ongoing.
- 13. <u>Items for Report and Future Agenda</u>. There were no items of report.
- 14. **Date of Next Meeting:** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November at the Parish Office.

The meeting ended at 7.35pm Chair