



# Environment & Highways Committee

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021 7.00pm

Online

**Members Present:** Cllrs B McEldowney, S Osman, I Hooper, P Masters

**In Attendance:** Clerk C Blake, Cllr J Till, Cllr S Webb

1. Apologies for absence Cllr B Laniosh sent his apologies
2. Declarations of Interest None
3. To consider members' written requests for dispensation None requested
4. Adjournment of meeting for Public Question Time No members of the public were present
5. To reconvene to consider approval of minutes of meeting held 13/01/21  
**It was agreed** that the minutes were an accurate reflection of the meeting
6. To discuss road improvements  
Cllr Webb reported that the A38 at the M42 end is nearly completed, barriers and rubbish need to be removed. Residents have complained that A38 at Lydiate Ash too many trees have been removed, bulbs have been planted instead. Traffic light system will be improved at Marlbrook junction to a smart system in the future.
7. Speeding in Catshill  
Cllr Hooper has been talking to a Road Traffic Officer on Stourbridge Rd who was monitoring the speed of motorists.  
**It was agreed** that Cllr Hooper and Cllr Webb will attend a Community Camera Course. Cllr Hooper will be obtaining more details about this and then let people know how many can attend and when. Cllr Baker has asked if speed limits can be reduced to 20mph around schools in the area. Woodrow Lane, Stourbridge Rd and Wildmore Lane are the main areas where speed is an issue, suggested chicanes, cycle lanes and/or white lines to narrow the lanes, need updated speed signs. Cllr Webb is attending a meeting next week and will update on these issues in the next E and H meeting.
8. To discuss Bus Shelters in the area  
Cllr Hooper has three Contractors lined up who will provide quotes on the cost of painting the bus shelters with anti-vandalism paint. Also to replace the glass which is rivetted in and Cllr Hooper will obtaining quotes for that. Cllr Masters suggested that the bus shelters may be under a guarantee for maintenance etc. Cllr McEldowney sent details of the original quote dated 2015 to Cllr Hooper to follow up with the supplier.
9. To discuss Baptist Church Garden  
Cllr Hooper has asked for volunteers to help him this weekend to clean up the Church garden area, where he is removing the fencing which will then be used as a border for the pathway and he has also ordered the underlay for the path.

Cllr Hooper has obtained the watering equipment for the Ivy Cottage garden from previous Cllr Ball. There were issues with vandalism at the Ivy Cottage Garden last weekend.

**It was agreed** to paint the sleepers with anti-vandalism paint to try and deter offenders.

10. To consider memorial stones sites

**It was agreed** that Cllr Hooper will cement the stones in to the relevant gardens for the Summer.

11. To discuss solar LED lighting

Cllr Osman and Cllr Hooper will be visiting the Company who can supply the LED solar panels and they will provide a demonstration of the various units they can offer. They will also provide installation of the panels but PC will need to provide the posts and the location of where the solar panels need to be located. Cllr Webb suggested that Cllr Osman provides a map which shows her where the posts will be located and she will ask Highways if they will do this for PC.

12. Dog bag dispenser update

Nobody is aware of a dispenser at Old Horse Course Estate but all of the other 5 dispensers are located where they should be and are filled by residents when required

13. Date, time and venue of the next meeting

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 19:00hrs Online

The meeting ended at 20:10 hrs

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Chairman, Environment & Highways Committee  
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