

HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting of Hathersage Parish Council Transport Committee held on Tuesday 30 May 2023, 7.30pm, Hathersage Memorial Hall (Sampson Room)

Present: Cllrs Rosie Olle (Chair), Martin Bloor, Tim Hill, Jane Marsden, Pete Rowland, Heather Rodgers and James Shuttleworth

In attendance: Maura Sorensen (Clerk)

MINUTES

- 001/23 Apologies for absence – Cllr Bill Hanley.
- 002/23 **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**
- .1 **Election of a Chair:** Cllr Hill proposed Cllr Olle - seconded by Cllr Shuttleworth and **unanimously agreed.**
- .2 **Election of a Vice Chair:** Cllr Hill proposed Cllr Shuttleworth - seconded by Cllr Olle and **unanimously agreed.**
- 003/23 The Committee's terms of reference, and membership, were reviewed.
- .1 A couple of minor amendments to the terms of reference were proposed with regards to membership (a minimum of five members), and terminology (to reference Chair and Vice Chair rather than Chairman and Vice Chairman). *Amendments to be recommended to full Council for approval.*
- .2 2023-24 membership confirmed – Cllrs Rosie Olle (Chair), Martin Bloor, W Hanley, Tim Hill, Jane Marsden, Pete Rowland, Heather Rodgers and James Shuttleworth
- 004/23 To decide any variation in the order of business – none.
- 005/23 Declaration of interests – Cllr Marsden in relation to discussions of the Hope Valley Rail Capacity Scheme.
- 006/23 Public participation – an opportunity for members of the public or committee members to make any representation to the Transport Committee in respect of items on this agenda – there were no members of the public in attendance.
- .1 Cllr Bloor referenced a matter to be reported to DCC - streetlight at the bottom of Jaggars Lane (outside the Old School House) - looked as though the lamp had burnt out – potential fire risk.
ACTION: Clerk to report via DCC website; and to share with Hathersage residents – via Hathersage News and community social media - that anyone can report highways-related faults or concerns (street furniture; road linings; signage) direct to DCC on their website. Cllr Bloor also referenced sites where barriers, signage etc had been left behind following road works; noted this would not necessarily be the responsibility of local authorities but of private contractors.
- .2 Cllr Rodgers noted that, though initially doubtful about the traffic management measures by the Chemist pinch point, she now considered they were working effectively. Cllrs concurred. Cllr Rodgers suggested there could be some improvements to signage on the Sheffield Road approaching the Chemist pinch point.
- .3 Cllr Marsden noted that, following roadworks, the central white line on Station Road, outside the Little John pub had not been fully repainted.
ACTION: Clerk to flag with/report to DCC Highways.
- 007/23 **Minutes of the meetings of 24 January 2023, and 28 March 2023.**
- .1 January minutes were **agreed** and actions arising **noted**.
- .2 March minutes: a minor spelling amendment was flagged; and noted Cllr Rowland *had* attended. Otherwise, the minutes were **agreed** and actions arising **noted**.
ACTION: Clerk to amend minutes accordingly. 067/22 – concerns raised in relation to School Lane and Hungry Lane Clerk to flag with/report to DCC Highways and to DCC Cllr Alasdair Sutton.

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- 008/23 **TRO:** noted, in a list of all TROs being pursued by DCC, that Hathersage was fifth on a list (of 157). Cllrs noted they were pleased to have a clearer idea on progress.
ACTION: Clerk to liaise further with DCC on a specific timescale.
- 009/23 **Hope Valley Climate Action (HVCA)**
- .1 **HVCA Travel and Transport Project and Hathersage Parish Council position statement:** to **consider**. Cllr Hill expanded on the report he had shared including his opinion that the Parish Council should engage with residents on some of the travel/transport issues on which HVCA are intending to consult. Cllrs concurred. Cllrs discussed undertaking a brief and succinct questionnaire with residents on key issues e.g. 20mph speed limits in the village, the extent to which residents would use an improved bus service. Although the aim was for a brief and succinct survey which residents could complete quickly, Cllrs also noted the importance of sharing accurate information – including pros and cons of any proposals - with residents, so residents have an informed view.
ACTIONS
- *Members to further consider the position statement – and share comments/ feedback **ahead of the next meeting of the Transport Committee***
 - *Cllr Hill to investigate ways in which a residents’ survey could be undertaken e.g. an appropriate electronic format, and to share draft text/questions with Cllrs – **for agreement at the next meeting of the Transport Committee.***
- Cllrs went on to discuss areas/issues in which the views of the Parish Council and HVCA converged or diverged. In respect of a 20mph speed limit Cllrs noted specific areas in the village where a 20mph limit might be appropriate however Cllrs also queried the costs of the introduction and implementation of 20mph speed limits, and whether costs would ultimately be passed on to rate payers. Enforcing the speed limit would also prove difficult.
ACTION: Clerk to seek advice from DCC Cllr Alasdair Sutton re the costs of introducing and implementing 20mph limit schemes.
- .2 **Notes from the HVCA Travel and Transport Group April meeting: received.** Cllr Hill had attended the April meeting. Noted low attendance. Noted the HVCA intention to discuss a bus strategy at a forthcoming meeting; Cllr Hill will raise a proposal about establishing a bus user group.
- .3 **2022 HVCA Annual Report: received.**
- 010/23 **Parking matters:** query raised about progress on using an area of Dore Lane for provision of additional parking. Suggested revisiting previous parking proposals (on various sites).
ACTION: agenda item for the next committee meeting – revisit parking proposals.
- 011/23 **Speed reduction initiatives**
- .1 **Community Speed Watch:** noted, as per the Clerk’s notes, the proposal to secure a training date (for volunteers); inform those residents who initially expressed interest and publicise the opportunity again.
ACTION: Clerk to liaise with PCSO Boswell re date/s for training and liaise with residents/ publicise.
- .2 **Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS):** Cllr Hill referenced SIDS used elsewhere including in a Staffordshire parish; Cllr Hill to enquire further with the parish council. Cllr Olle to enquire with Froggatt Parish Council about their SIDS. Also suggested revisiting the original offer of support/financing for community SIDS.
ACTION: Clerk to revisit original SIDS ‘offer’ and update Cllrs.
- 012/23 **Electric Vehicle Charging (EVC)**
- .1 **DCC Electric Vehicle Charging consultation:** response deadline 31 December 2023. Suggested Cllrs respond individually.
- .2 **Any other updates:** Cllr Marsden referenced a possible site for Parish Council provision of an EVC – at the top of Dore Lane, close to the sub-station. Cllr Hill expanded on his liaison with Western Power.

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- 013/23 **Public Transport**
- .1 **Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP):** Cllr Hill noted there had been no BSIP meeting since the March meeting of this committee. Next BSIP meeting will be towards the end of June. Cllr Hill expanded on the current lack of reliability of bus services, and the factors.
- .2 **Other public transport initiatives (PDNPA; other):** Cllr Olle referenced the new 'Breezer' open top bus service – operated by Hulleys - a replacement for the Hope Valley (seasonal) Explorer service. However, she noted the Breezer timetable was entirely unrealistic, and shared some safety concerns. Noted also that Stagecoach plan to run an open-top bus service.
Confirmed Hulleys buses could now be tracked again.
Cllrs Hill and Olle further referenced issues with, and factors affecting, bus timetables. Suggested a bus user group could help with flagging timetable issues. Noted the impact of the £2.00 bus fare on increasing passenger numbers.
- 014/23 **Hope Valley Rail Capacity Scheme:** noted it was anticipated that the rail footpath would open in August. Suggested there had been issues with the footbridge installation, some of which may still need addressing.
- 015/23 **Clerk's Report / Correspondence including updates on any ongoing initiatives –**
none.
- 016/23 **Next meeting – Tuesday 22 August 2023, 7.30pm**

Meeting ended at 9pm

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