



Minutes of the Highways and Transport Committee Meeting held in the Small Hall, Ogilvie Hall, Wignall Street, Lawford, CO11 2JG at **7pm** on **Monday 9 April 2018**.

1. Present:

Councillors: Langstone, Baker, Miles and observing Cllr V Guglielmi

Clerk: Mrs Peachey

Apologies:

Councillors Brown and Elkin

2. Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on **Monday 5 February 2018** were approved

Proposed: Cllr Baker **Seconded:** Cllr Langstone **Agreed**

3. Action Points from the meeting held on 5 February 2018:

Take both submissions to Full Council for approval from Lawford's County Councillor – Cllr Langstone	Completed
Motor Rally – invite club to council meeting to respond to questions	Completed
Repair of VAS	Completed
Cllr Langstone and Clerk to review everything the Highways and Transport Committee have looked at over the last 2 years.	Ongoing

4. Declarations of interests:

None

5. HGV , Lorry Ban and Weight limits - School Lane and surrounding areas:

Member of the public advised there is no mention of weight limit for Bromley Road on the directional signs at Coxs Hill, Long Road, Wignall Street or Bromley Road. Cllr Langstone advised LPC is aware of the problems of HGV's using inappropriate routes/cut through and last year put in a request for signs to be reviewed. Weight Limit signs at School Lane/Grange Road will be discussed further and appropriate action taken.

6. Long Road:

It was noted that poles have been installed and it is assumed these are for road signs but no signs have been attached. LHP will monitor.

7. Wignall Street/Lawford Green – crossing points:

There is a need for a safe crossing point on Wignall Street however this may be part of the agreement for the Lawford Green development which could also include improvements to Cox Hill/Long Road area. LPC will monitor. Cllr Baker will review S106 monies to determine what funds are available. **Action – Cllr Baker**

8. Community Speed watch:

The Harwich Speed Watch Co-ordinator is available to advise should there be interest in setting up a Community Speed watch.

9. Coxs Hill speed Limit

Enquiry to be made of Steven Rose Builders as to the situation with reducing the speed limit to 40mph which forms part of the plans for Summers Park. **Action- Clerk**

10. Coxs Hill – general condition:

A request has been made to ECC Highways to clear the grass growth that is spreading across the path. LPC will monitor the general condition with regard to litter. The flower bed at the bottom of Cotman Avenue/Coxs Hill has been too ‘boggy’ of late to manage without causing damage.

11. TRO’s ref Grass Verges

Cllr Langstone spent a morning with Nicky Nepean from Highways reviewing verges and other areas of concern and the report from ECC is awaited. Consideration has been given to placing bollards around grass verges to stop inappropriate and damaging parking on the verges. Concern was expressed that those vehicles would then park on the road instead of their own property. It was decided this should be further discussed when the new Committee Chairman takes over in May.

12. New Highways schemes /submissions:

Following a request received from a resident for additional Street Lights at the bottom of Cox Hill it was raised that when completed, the cycle paths linking Summers Park /Lawford Dale will be both lit and safer for pedestrians. Clerk to make enquiries of Rose builders as to progress. **Action - Clerk**

13. Existing LHP Submissions:

Cllr Baker provided an update on LPC’s LHP submissions – this will be published on council’s website.

Action - Clerk

14. Public Transport and associated issues:

- a) Manningtree crossing – nothing to report as this is ongoing
- b) Railway Bridge/signage – see item 5

15. Parking Issues:

The requested restrictions will be chased up

Action

16. VAS sign: rota & brackets

For information; handyman is investigating why three posts have been identified and where they are before fitting brackets, once fitted a new rota will be established.

17. Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda:

As previously advised Cllr Langstone intends to relinquish her chairmanship of the Highways and Transport Committee and intended to hand over the files to Vice Chair, however in their absence files were handed to Cllr Miles who will also update Full Council regarding discussion at this meeting.

Thanks are expressed to Councillor Langstone for the tireless work carried out whilst chairing the committee.

The next **Highways Committee Meeting** is scheduled for **4 June 2018**.

Signature: (Chairman).....Date: