



VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
Minutes of meeting on 6 July 2017
 at The Academy Suite, Holmes Chapel Community Centre, CW4 8AA



Part I – Public and Press present

1. Attendance	Cllr A Armitt Cllr B Bath Cllr K O'Regan Cllr R Parry Cllr M Ranger Cllr M Street	Mrs NL Clarke – Clerk Sandiford Road residents: Mr J Martin Mr J Hindle Mr & Mrs A Pierce
2. Chairman	RESOLVED (VI17/18/09) that Cllr Bath take the chair in the absence of Cllr Blomeley	
3. Sandiford Road	Residents from Sandiford Road, Mr J Martin and Mr J Hindle presented the findings of a recent survey they had conducted, relating to volumes of traffic using the road as a cut-through, despite restrictions in place. Cllr Bath thanked the gentlemen for their presentation.	
4. Apologies	RESOLVED (VI17/18/10) to receive apologies from Cllr M Blomeley (minor surgery) and Cllr P Cotton (another meeting)	
5. Declarations of Interest	Cllr Street in item 8, as a member of his family works at Hermitage Primary School Cllr O'Regan in item 9, as a resident of Eastgate Road. Cllr Bath in item 9, as a member of his family lives on Station Road/Sandiford Road corner.	
6. Public Speaking	Mr Pierce raised concerns as a resident of Eastgate Road, who have similar problems to Sandiford Road. He also asked about enforcement of the limited access restrictions in place on Sandiford Road. He was advised that there are different interpretations on what can be done about enforcement of the road signs and CEC Highways have been asked for more advice on these signs.	
7. Minutes	RESOLVED (VI17/18/11) to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 8 June 2017.	
8. Matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEC has indicated that a representative on Air Quality issues will be attending the 5 October 2017 meeting. It was noted that an air quality detector is installed near the traffic lights junction on the A50; • SIDs – TWM have been out to the faulty SID. The SID will be monitored by Cllr Blomeley and further information brought back to a future Village Infrastructure Committee meeting. 	
9. Highways Issues Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee expressed disappointment at the lack of attendance by CE Highways at such short notice. The review will now take place at the next VI Committee meeting in September. The “Highways Hour” event is now scheduled for 17 August 2017 (Full Council) • Cllr Ranger reported that the Police attended Macclesfield Road for HGV contravention on Friday 30th June. There were no contraventions. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Clerk and Cllr Street informed members of a request by the Hermitage School to support additional highway safety schemes, in the vicinity of the school. <p>RESOLVED (VI17/18/12) to accept the proposal and the clerk to respond to the school and indicate support.</p>
10. Sandiford Road	<p>Further to the presentation given at the start of the meeting, the Committee discussed suggestions and possible actions. The point was made that the issues raised are similar in other locations in the village, namely Westway, Balmoral Drive, Bramhall Drive and Coniston Drive. It was also noted that other road restrictions such as the building of the roundabout on Manor Lane and the many M6 problems causing traffic to divert through the village may have had an impact.</p> <p>The Committee RESOLVED (VI17/18/13) that the Clerk:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Request speed enforcement on Sandiford Road by the Police. II. Request traffic monitoring by CEC from September 2017. III. Request the accident log from the Police. IV. To arrange a further meeting with Cllr L Gilbert, Cllr Blomeley and the residents, when further information from the above is available.
11. Lengthsman	<p>The Clerk informed the Committee that the contractors from Congleton Town Council had attended this week. Weeding and cleaning have been done in the village centre. They are due to attend every fortnight. This will be monitored and a report brought back to the next Committee meeting.</p>
12. Supported Bus Review	<p>The Committee reviewed the submission by Cllr Blomeley, objecting to the withdrawal of local bus services, and RESOLVED (VI17/18/14) to submit the document to Cheshire East Council.</p>
13. Public Speaking	<p>Mr Pierce asked about proposals for a roundabout at the junction of Chester Road and Middlewich Road. He was informed that CEC Highways have this in future plans but no date is yet known when a decision will be made.</p>
14. Future Agenda Items	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Air Quality – Report by Cllr Blomeley and Cllr Ranger 2. Boundary Signs – review. 3. Pavements 4. Roadsigns around the Village.
15. Chairman and Clerk's reports	<p>The Clerk reported on the proposals to close the Arclid HWRC on 30 September 2017 at CEC cabinet meeting on 11 July 2017. The Committee agreed that the Clerk should still send a letter of objection to the CEC cabinet as there is no recognition of the usage by Holmes Chapel residents.</p>
The meeting closed at 8.25p.m.	

These minutes will be submitted for approval at the next Village Infrastructure Committee meeting scheduled for 7 September 2017

Signed as Chairman of the Committee as a true and accurate record:

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