**Minutes of the Traffic & Transport Committee Meeting held on**

**5th September 2024 at Saddleworth Civic Hall at 6.00pm**

Present: Cllr B Beeley, Cllr A Marland, Cllr H Bishop, Cllr P Gaul, Cllr M Powell

Geoff Bayley (Delph Community Association), Paul Clegg (Dobcross Village Community),

1961. Apologies: Cllr K Dawson, Paul & Joan Sykes (SACG), Jane Gibson,

**Absent:** Cllr M Birchall

1962. Declarations of interest: None declared

1963. Minutes of last meeting 13th June 2024

The minutes were accepted as a true record and signed at the meeting by the Chairman. Proposed Cllr Marland, seconded Cllr Powell.

**1964. Matters Arising**

-Enforcement of no right turn from Diggle to Standedge.

**SPC request Highways replace the sign coming out of Diggle with a larger, bolder one, as not very clear currently.**

**Action follow up – Cllr Beeley**

-Pedestrian Crossings Traffic Lights across the Parish – sensory points for deaf/visually impaired, some still not been changed.

**SPC request that all of these traffic lights are checked and sensory points installed if required.**

**Action follow up – Cllr Beeley**

-Highways advise traffic calming measures in Delph bid are next year’s capital programme.

Residents advise some of 20mph signs are absent or have been installed in the wrong places.

**SPC request Highways to check these and correct where necessary.**

**Action follow up – Cllr Bishop**

-Lower Turf Lane -one way scheme planned.

**SPC request timescale of TRO.**

**Action Cllr Marland.**

-Carr Lane, Uppermill -resurfacing work to be carried out.

**SPC advised only part of this work has been carried out to date, and need assurances that full road will be resurfaced and the timescale.**

**Action Cllr Bishop.**

**1965. Public Questions – in person**

-Paul Clegg -Sugar Lane – Dobcross – overgrown vegetation on footpath needs cutting back.

**Action- Cllr Marland to contact OMBC Footpath Officer.**

-Geoff Bayley - concerns over Platting Rd at Lydgate & Austerlands, sight lines poor at both ends.

**Action -Cllr Marland to request a Highways survey to monitor and report.**

**1966. Public Questions/Concerns – submitted remotely**

-Parking on access road behind Warburton Court

Cllr Marland confirmed this is adopted Highways land, so there are no residents’ rights. The only option would be to request to extend the double yellow lines which would result in nobody being able to park there.

**Action - Clerk to report back to the resident**

**-**Overgrown vegetation on the pathway Shaw Hall Bank Road

**Action – Cllr Marland to contact OMBC Footpath Officer**

-Traffic calming measures on Uppermill High Street

Plan and Consultation received from OMBC and it was discussed. It was agreed the Clerk would write to OMBC asking them to extend the consultation period to 31 October and to make the documents more widely available in Uppermill and across the Parish. Also contact the press to share widely and on the SPC website and Facebook

**Action - Clerk.**

- Footbridge over River Tame, Dobcross

Paul Clegg explained that some time go a steel bridge had been offered free of charge but OMBC refused to adopt and maintain it. A suggestion has been made for stepping stones instead. After some discussion it was agreed Paul would get an update and report back at the next meeting,

**Action - Paul Clegg**

-New Train timetable

Concern raised from GRAG (Greenfield Rail Action Group) regarding the recent timetable changes which will cause overcrowding; no guarantee of a half hourly service tor Saddleworth and disability access concerns still ongoing. After discussion it was agreed the Clerk would respond to GRAG with their full support and to extend an invitation to the next meeting,

**Action - Clerk**

**1967. Follow on/update on new issues raised at the last meeting**

Already covered above under point 1964 Matters Arising

**1968. Councillor reports on issues/concerns raised**

Cllr Gaul raised a concern regarding the issue of overhanging trees behind the Scouthead & Austerlands bus shelter on Huddersfield Rd, Oldham bound. Also weeds and overgrown vegetation need clearing from ginnels on Thorpe Close and Gable Mews. It was agreed Cllr Gaul would advise Cllr Marland of the exact locations so she could follow it up with the OMBC Paths Officer.

**Action- Cllr Gaul, Cllr Marland.**

**1969. Community Issues**

No additional issues to those already covered above.

**Next meeting: Thursday 7th November 2024 at 6.00pm (additional date agreed)**

**Thursday 5th December 2024 at 6.00pm.**