

**Draft Minutes of the Highways and Transportation Committee Meeting,
held at 8.00pm on Thursday 1st September 2016,
in the Small Committee Room, Claygate Village Hall**

Present: Councillors: Ken Huddart (Chairman), Geoff Herbert, Mark Sugden (ex-officio)

Co-opted Members: Caroline Stevenson, David Bitner

In Attendance: Zak Keshavjee (Parish Clerk)

Members of Public: Tom Swift

1.Apologies for Absence: Cllr Xingang Wang, Cllr Tony Shearman, Howard Smith and Kate Hallett all with reason.

2.Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda:

Cllr Geoff Herbert: Co-ordinator of Neighbourhood Watch.

Cllr Ken Huddart: Chairman of the Trustees of Claygate Village Hall Association, President of the Claygate Village Association and, Acting, Chairman of the Claygate Conservation Areas Advisory Committee, Traffic Engineering Consultant, Fellow of Chartered Institute of Highways and Transportation, Fellow of Institute of Engineering and Technology, Fellow of Institute of Civil Engineers.

Cllr Mark Sugden: Trustee of CRGT and CVHA. Committee member of Claygate Village Association, Committee member of Claygate Gardening Society. Chairman Outreach Group, Church of the Holy Name, Esher.

Caroline Stevenson: None

3.To Confirm the Minutes of the Last Meeting

The Minutes of 30th June were signed and approved by the Chairman.

4.To Report on the Actioning of Items from Previous Minutes

AP13 Water leaks Oaken Lane. Shortly after the last meeting, further work was done at the High Street junction, and the leak has stopped. The water near the Scout Centre has also very much reduced, believed because of drainage maintenance.

AP16 Refurbishment of the fountain on The Green. Clerk has contacted EBC; Clerk to chase.

AP17 Winter wardens, Dalmore Avenue. Cllr Tony Shearman to contact Helen Maguire (how many shovels); Peter Whitehead to be asked, presumably by Chairman.

AP21 Traffic calming, Hare Lane raised junction: Cllr Mark Sugden to identify application procedure to use CIL funds. To be discussed at next annual Parish Meeting.

AP25 Surrey CC action on FP31: Caroline Stevenson to enquire; also no Surrey C.C. response on offer of Claygate P.C. to fund maintenance. SCC says it cuts three times a year with Cllr Huddart to chase.

AP27 Courier articles; Courier is out, including H&T article.

AP29 Cllr Huddart to approach Kingston regarding coaches operating from The Dell through Claygate: outstanding; the width restriction in Clayton Road has suffered changes.

AP30 Lollipop person: Cllr Tony Shearman is in contact with Surrey C.C., which is insisting on doing a feasibility study when schools return. Outstanding.

AP 31 No developments no autumn planting program.

5.To Discuss Bridleway Proposals & Rights of Way, Including Woodstock Lane South Horse Ride & Action if Necessary.

Cllr Huddart has repeatedly chased Bill Kear (our chosen contractor) for an indication of when he could do the work and what it would cost. Cllr Huddart also copied information to Surrey Rights of Way, offering funding for the work (offered since last year). **AP New 1** Cllr Huddart to try other contractors. Old Claygate tract is likely to be issue. Old Claygate Lane track strimming is unlikely to be an immediate issue, since some informal trimming seems to have been done.

6.To Discuss a Possible Major A3 Road Junction at Barwell and Agree Any Action.

No new developments.

7.To Discuss Cycling and Action if Necessary

The survey outcome is in the Courier. The need is now to generate implementable measures, balancing differing needs and shared access. Looking at increased signage given differing usage. David Bitner reported on ideas and discussion within the cycle group. **AP New 2** Clerk to arrange a meeting of Cycling sub-Committee after David comes back to Clerk on suitable timing. David leaves Meeting at 20.45.

8.To Discuss Public Transport and Action if Necessary.

a) Bus Shelters, Bus Routes and Bus Stops

Cllr Huddart made a repeated request for a shelter at the St. Leonards Road bus stop. We previously decided against, because of likely behaviour of Youth Club Members. Since the Youth Club is being reconstituted, discussion may be best deferred. The arrangement for provision is not obvious; CPC would probably not provide, in view of experience maintaining the one by the Recreation Ground; EBC. has generally stopped providing shelters. Advertisers providing bus shelters is however, a possible option. Cllr Huddart would be happy to accept an action on this

b) Trains

Cllr Huddart reported on a personal incident.

c) Claygate station

Cllr Huddart has thanked SWT for the new ticket machine and the new cycle shed on the UP platform. To combat low usage of the new cycle shed Cllr Huddart suggested putting a notice of it on the original cycle shed, on the DOWN side and repeated this in an e-mail.

9.To Discuss Liaison with SCC and Action if Necessary - With Particular Reference to:

a) Road Maintenance and Footways

None

b) Highway Tree Replacement and Maintenance

The tree which our tree wardens arranged to plant at 22 Claremont Road seems to have died. This is likely to be attributable to the dry weather, rather than any fundamental problem with the tree pit provided in the asphalt footway. Our present practice is for us to replace failed new trees; if we find there are a lot this year and that this could be partly attributable to lack of watering by those who promised it, we may have to think again. Tree Wardens have asked for 12 watering cans around £6 each. **AP New 3** Clerk to order these with delivery to Vanessa's house.

c) Street Lighting

None

10.To Discuss Parking and Action if Necessary:

a) Off-Street Parking

We have complained to EBC about car park rate hikes, reviewed at liaison meetings. Worthwhile to raise at the next liaison meeting given that the new administration election manifesto undertook to keep charges down.

b) On-Street Issues

On-line survey by SCC at Surrey Roads and Transport/parking/parking-what's happening in your area/Parking news and update in Elmbridge. On-line consultation closing on 14 Oct, Local Committee in Feb 17.

Hilary Goodban re 70 Hare Lane, is concerned that the Courier recommends any further yellow lines; she contends that Hare Lane does not suffer congestion attributable to the presence of parked vehicles; she herself parks there and knows that she has to accept the presence of commuters. SCC have advised that consultation on Claygate on street parking is by online by 14th October. It is unclear the extent of consultation. SCC recommendations are to be made by Feb 2017.

11.To Consider Traffic Calming and Management and Action if Necessary.

Tom Swift is promoting the idea of putting up speed camera signs on the four approaches to Claygate. The Chairman cannot believe that SCC will agree to Tom's idea of deliberate misinformation, but that is up to it. CPC. has no locus in the matter, and would risk losing image in the eyes of the authorities and public if it adopted such a policy. Speed Watch is in operation though quiet in recent months. SCC have put up signs when there is no actual camera but claim some enforcement is required. Speed Watch contributes to that criterion and SCC bears no cost. If necessary, we could suggest that SCC sites one speed camera at Oaken Lane with signs at that gateway and at Woodstock Lane South.

12.To Discuss Street Signage and Action if Necessary.

None.

13.To Discuss and Agree Communication of Key Decisions to Residents Including Input to the Courier and the Website.

SCC Parking Consultation to be posted on the website.

14.Matters for Information Purposes Only.

None.

15.To Confirm the Next Meeting on 20th October 2016.

Meeting closed at 21.45