

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
HIGHWAYS & PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD 27TH JANUARY, 2010**

Cllrs. Present: Cllr. Helen Corben, Cllr. Keith Day, Cllr. Cynthia Garton, Cllr. Val Houghton, Cllr. Peter Hughes (Chairman), Cllr. Sally Lloyds, Cllr. Shankerlal Sthankiya, Cllr. Ray Worley

Also present: Mr. Burnett resident of 40 Upper St. Helens Road.

H130 Apologies: Cllr. Jenny Hughes, Cllr. Derek Pretty, Cllr. Jane Welsh
With effect from the end of business hours today, all communications have been checked for the receipt of apologies.

**H131 Minutes & Matters Arising
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H123, v) Cllr. Helen Corben referred to her request at Full Council that a Grit Bin in Sherborne Way should be added to the list and asked whether the Clerk was aware that this had been done? DTC was able to confirm that the Town Clerk had indeed revised the list of locations. Cllr. Cynthia Garton added that a number of further locations had been identified. The Chairman informed members that Cllr. House had indicated that as many as 50 bins should be allocated to Hedge End.

H124, F/09/66363, 41 Freegrounds Road. First floor rear extension.

Recommendation: Cllr. Sally Lloyds declared a non-pecuniary interest and withdrew from discussions. No objection.

H126, two communications with Payphone Customer Services confirmed that a Field Officer for the area would be asked to make a site visit and decide whether the payphone was to be removed or repaired. A further Email confirmed that the payphone would be repaired. Noted.

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

At this point Mr. Burnett joined the meeting as a member of the public and observer of proceedings.

H132 Correspondence:

- i) Notification to the Town Council as landowner of the Norman Rodaway Pavilion, of Planning Application F/09/66366, Tansfield Stud, Tanhouse Lane, Botley for the provision of a mobile home and shed. **The Clerk is instructed to refer this letter to the Finance & Administration Committee.**

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- ii) Notification of Tree Preservation Order No. 674, Budgens, Upper Northam Road for all species of trees in the copse to the north of Budgens Car Park and adjacent to the Greta Park. Noted.
- iii) Kevin Dearing, Construction Manager, EBC – notification of proposals to install a signal controlled pedestrian crossing in Tollbar Way between the Botley Road roundabout and the roundabout directly southwards that provides access to Sainsbury, M & S and other superstores.

Pedestrian surveys in Tollbar Way have highlighted a need for improved pedestrian crossing facilities between the two areas of the Retail Park each side of the road. It is considered that a Toucan crossing would be the most appropriate form of crossing, which would also allow cyclists using the shared use cycle tracks each side of Tollbar Way to use the facility.

Comments should be received within 28 days - the letter is dated 13th January, 2010. Noted.

- iv) Eastleigh Directory of Highway Works - February, 2010. Noted.

H133 Planning Applications:

V/10/66426, 23 & 23a, Grange Road. Variation to section 106 agreements dated 17.09.97 & 13.03.98 to allow use of dwelling as residential care home instead of staff accommodation. **Recommendation: No objection.**

A/09/66396, Unit 2 Hedge End Retail Park, Charles Watts Way. Display of one internally illuminated fascia sign. **Recommendation: Objection. Unnecessary illumination.**

F/10/66455, 36, Watkin Road. Single storey side extension. **Recommendation: No objection.**

A/09/65978, Unit 3 Waterloo Industrial Estate, Flanders Road. Display of two non-illuminated banner signs. **Recommendation: Objection. A profusion of banner advertising facing Botley Road and causing a distraction to motorists.**

F/10/66504, 13-15, Taplin Drive. Retention of two bed bungalow with associated car parking, cycle and bin storage (amended design to that approved under F/08/64047). **Recommendation: No objection.**

H134 HEWEB Decisions:

E/06/58687, Just for Fun, Unit 5, Hedge End Trade Park, Tollbar Way. Enforcement Appeal Retail Usage at Hedge End Trade Park. **Decision: See written report.**

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F/09/65897, 25, Elliot Rise. Two storey front extension and rear conservatory.

Decision: Refuse planning permission.

A/09/66123, Unit 2, Hedge End Retail Park, Charles Watts Way. Display of four panel signs on existing totem sign, display of six 1.8m high non-illuminated free standing signs and three wall mounted non-illuminated signs. **Decision:**

Consent to advert display.

F/09/66365, 38, Berrywood Gardens. Insertion of one first floor obscure glazed window to south side elevation. **Decision: Permit.**

H135 Highway Matters:

Cllr. Helen Corben asked whether the clerk was aware of a schedule to indicate the speed at which pothole repair will be undertaken. DTC confirmed that such a document was not available, however, there is an excellent report service on the EBC website.

Cllr. Cynthia Garton - could the clerk ascertain when the 3 way control traffic lights in Tollbar Way will be removed? These have been placed during the construction of the Wessex Vale Crematorium. The highway grass verges will also require reinstatement.

Cllr. Sally Lloyds:

1. New street nameplates have been installed for Goodlands Vale, however, existing signs indicating direction to address numbers remain and the sign for nos. 32 – 43 has always had the “2” of No.32 stuck in place and it really needs to be replaced.
2. Re the bench in the centre of the village, located in the pathway towards Somerfield, with flower pots on either side. One of the pots has been vandalised and burnt. **The Clerk is instructed to make enquiries as to responsibility and whether the flower pot can be removed and replaced.**
3. Very pleased to see that Speed Checks have been implemented in Turnpike Way as this will prove a very good deterrent.

Cllr. Shankerlal Sthankiya - Works have been undertaken on the Lancaster House corner of the junction Freegrounds Avenue/St. Johns Road causing disruption to the highway grass verge which needs reinstating and debris needs to be cleared.

Cllr. Sthankiya also reported an area of road surface that has collapsed at the traffic light junction of Upper Northam Road/Junct. 7, M27.

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Cllr. Keith Day - has recently walked the footpath from Bridget Mary Gardens to Greta Park and reports that branches and trees need to be cut back.

Cllr. Day also reported upon his observation that several panels were missing from the St. Catherines View Bus Shelter. DTC confirmed that the offices were aware of this and the grounds staff had removed panels that had been vandalised. Which raised the question as to whether this shelter, that no longer serves a bus route, should be repaired, removed or remain. Repair is likely to be £300/£400, removal would indicate a permanent termination of route, or to leave in its current condition may be prudent? **The Chairman proposed that as long as the shelter is relatively tidy it should be left in its current condition. Seconded Cllr. Keith Day and motion carried.**

Cllr. Day informed members that he had received a complaint from a resident of Netley Firs Road reporting that contractors had left the road surface in poor condition and damaged grass verges during recent development. The Chairman offered to visit the site and ascertain who is responsible, so that an appropriate report can be submitted to Enforcement.

The Chairman informed members that he will be asking for public response re Potholes in the next edition of the Gazette.

H136 Councillors Questions:

Cllr. Helen Corben asked whether the offices had received a response to the Committees' enquiry as to the disappearance of the Footpath Sign indicating the path from Turnpike Way to Hedge End Retail Park. DTC confirmed that there had been no response to date.

Cllr. Helen Corben informed members that she had attended the development site of the new Theatre, for the "Breaking Ground" photo call on Monday 25th January, but it seemed that the photo call had been cancelled without announcement and changed to Thursday, 28th January at 10.00 a.m.

At this point (8.00 p.m.) Cllr. Val Houghton offered her apologies and left the meeting.

Cllr. Keith Day provided an update on proposed development of Wildern Mill. It may appear that work has started on site, however, this is entirely due to the Developer ensuring that an infestation of Japanese Knotweed is removed. Development Control Enforcement Team has reminded the Developer not to burn on site. No further development is expected for at least 12 months and Enforcement have confirmed that all conditions have been fulfilled. Cllr. Day confirmed that the Supermarket pathway will be retained, if not the same route. Issues concerning the ransom strip and access to Turnpike Way are ongoing.

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**H137 All members of the public and press are requested to leave the meeting -
Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.**

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded Cllr. Cynthia Garton and motion carried.
Mr. Burnett left the meeting.

H138 Exempt Business:

Matters concerning enforcement issues were discussed.