

Draft Minutes of the Roads Committee meeting held Wednesday 27th November 2024 at 10.30am at the Town Hall.

Present Cllrs; Beavan (DB) – Chair, Davy (PD), Jarvis (RJ)

Also present, Town Mayor Cllr Flunder (SF) (ex officio) and Town Clerk (LB).

Also, SCC Officer Jo Kerridge (JK).

Agenda

1. **To receive apologies for absence** – Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Palmer – Approved
Apologies also from SCC Cllr M Ladd.
2. **Declarations of interest:**
 - a. To receive any declarations of Non-Registrable Interest regarding the agenda. Nil
 - b. To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest/ Other Registrable Interest regarding the agenda. Nil.
3. **Public section** - *for members to speak on matters relating to the agenda items under consideration. Max of 30 minutes will be given to this section. Discussions at the discretion of the Chair of the Cttee.* Nil.
4. **Update from SCC Ward Cllr Ladd** re local Highways matters, including;
SCC Ward Cllr Ladd was not present.
 - East Street Resurfacing programme of works. SCC to ensure that these works include the lining safety improvements for area outside Town Hall/ East Street entrance/ Market Place area.
 - TRO list – to include Mill Lane/ disabled bay outside URC. Walk round TBC. TRO list to be agreed by February 2025.
5. **Update from ESC Ward Cllr Beavan including;**
 - Previous £54k ESC grant monies for North Parade scheme. With ESC Kerry Blair and SCC Graham Mateer to confirm that the monies can come to STC for the 20mph scheme. Copy of Graham Mateer email to be sent to Cllr Beavan by JK which advises that the £54k should be used for a parking scheme not a road traffic scheme.
6. **Project roadmap update** on overall Southwold scheme including; 20mph zone, Entrance/ Exit to High Street build ups – circulated to all.
Agreed by all to proceed on the 20mph for the High Street as an exception request at the moment. But STC might apply for more 20mph areas/whole town once the SCC elections have taken place in May 2025.
7. **Other matters including;**
 - Cadent works - Finish date = 13th December 2024. All traffic lights have been cleared. Mights Bridge works will remain outstanding - Cadent will need to return to do this but there are no timescales presently.
 - Community Self Help Scheme – Cllr Wells, Cllr Miller and John Huggins have attended the necessary courses and are approved members for the Scheme.

- Potholes Constitution Hill = SCC has claimed ownership of this part of the Hill and will carry out repairs.
- Signage improvements, to include Gardner Road car park. Cllr Davy asked JK about the possibility of a brown Southwold sign on the A12. JK advised that this will need SCC Cllr M Ladd to approve, and funding will be required. Cllr Beavan advised JK that Southwold does need a sign.
- Bus area outside Fat face = markings to be carried out in the new year.
- SALC – Highways forum including SCC Winter programme was held online. Information is available on the SALC website.
- Electric vehicle chargers – awaiting options for additional chargers for Gardner Rd car park. It was agreed by all that the chargers by the Adnams area on Church Green will remain as at present. Gardner Road overstaying – It was suggested that a sign could be put up as a message – ‘danger of clamping if parked without using the EVC’. Anglia car charging to be reminded to send EVC dashboard to Cllr Beavan and Cllr Jarvis.
- Local Transport Plan for Suffolk to 2040 - Public Consultation to 25th Nov.

8. **Date of next meeting** - Wednesday 12th February 2025 at 10.30am.