

HARTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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21st March 2007

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Highways Committee to be held on **Wednesday 28th March 2007** at 8.00 p.m. at Hartley Library, Ash Road.

Yours sincerely

Julie Hoad
Proper Officer

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive Members' declarations of interest.

3. Minutes

To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Highways Committee held on 28th February 2007 as a correct record. (Annexed).

4. Restricted Byway

To consider a letter dated 12th March 2007 from the West Kent Area Public Rights of Way Officer informing the Parish Council that Kent County Council intends to erect new signposts showing the correct status of the route. (Annexed).

5. Flooding at Springcroft

(a) To receive a report from Kent Highway Services that the budget for drainage repairs and improvements in West Kent for 2007-08 has increased threefold and as a result the hydrological survey, undertaken a number of years ago, is being checked to establish whether the installation of a new soakaway would overcome the flooding problem at Springcroft. Kent Highway Services has confirmed that should it be found that the installation of a soakaway would successfully solve the problem of flooding in Springcroft, there would be sufficient funds in next year's budget to install the planned soakaway. If, however, additional works are required then the additional costs would have to be calculated before committing to any further works. The outcome of the aforementioned investigations should be available in June 2007.

(b) To note a letter dated 9th March 2007 from a resident of Springcroft to Cllr Mr K Ferrin detailing the incidence of flooding between July 2004 and March 2007. (Annexed)

6. Fairby Lane

To receive a report on progress to permanently close the junction of Fairby Lane and Ash Road to vehicular traffic.

At the last meeting it was reported that the Parish Council had been advised that Kent Highway Services believed it did not have authority to issue a Traffic Road Order to permanently close the junction of Fairby Lane and Ash Road and the Acting Senior Transportation Engineer has sought legal advice on the matter.

7. Parking at Cherry Trees

It was reported at the last meeting of the Highways Committee a response was awaited from Kent Highway Services on the Council's request to remove the road traffic island outside Cherry Trees to improve parking. No response has been received to date, but the Committee is requested to consider the response if available at the meeting.

8. Bus shelter

To consider a report on the provision of a bus shelter at Cherry Trees and Wellfield. (Annexed)

9. Parish Issue Spreadsheet

To consider the Parish Issue Spreadsheet received in March 2007. (Annexed).

10. Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board

To consider the minutes of the meeting of the Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board held on 12th December 2006. (Annexed).

11. Contact Centre

To note a letter dated 5th March 2007 enclosing information on the reporting of faults to Kent Highway Services. (Annexed).

12. Highway matters

To receive any reports from Councillors on issues and concerns regarding highways within the parish.

13. Date of the next meeting.

Public Question Time

A period of 15 minutes will be set aside to receive any queries or concerns raised by members of the public.

List of circulated documents

1. Minutes of the meeting of the Highway Working Group held on 29th February 2007
2. Letter dated 12th March 2007 from the West Kent Area Public Rights of Way Officer
3. Letter dated 9th March 2007 from a resident of Springcroft to Cllr Mr K Ferrin detailing the incidence of flooding between July 2004 and March 2007.
4. Report on the provision of a bus shelter at Cherry Trees and Wellfield
5. Parish Issue Spreadsheet received by e mail in March 2007 from Kent Highway Services
6. Minutes of the meeting of the Sevenoaks Joint Transportation Board held on 12th December 2007
7. Letter dated 5th March 2007 from Kent Highway Services

Committee Membership

Cllr Mr J Gaywood (ex officio)
Cllr Mr B Ramsay
Cllr Mrs M Solman
Cllr Mr D Brazier (co-opted)

Cllr Mr M Harris (ex officio)
Cllr Mr V Sewell
Cllr Mr C Ward

