

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Tuesday 15th November, 2023 at 10am held in the Council Chambers, London Rd, Halesworth

Present: Councillors: M Took, D Fosdike, A Cackett and P Hedges (in the Chair)

In Attendance: Cllr A Dunning (SCC), Cllr G Sibanda (HTC) and P Welby (Deputy Town Clerk).

Minutes

1. **Apologies** - None
2. **Declarations of Interests** - None
3. **Minutes of the last meeting** – The minutes of the meeting of **18th September 2023** were agreed by the Committee and signed by Cllr Cackett.
4. **Public Space Protection Orders** – ESC are renewing three PSPOs. One of which includes the Thoroughfare. The PSPO states that dogs should be always on leads within the Thoroughfare. The Committee had no comments on this and agreed it should be renewed. Clerk to ask about enforcement and whether signage is required.
5. **20's Plenty** – the Clerk had received two emails from residents requesting that the Council debate and support the introduction of 20mph zones in Halesworth. SCC have stated that there is a possibility of London Rd, Thoroughfare and Chediston St becoming 20mph zones but unlikely for other parts of Halesworth. Cllr Hedges will reply to residents directly.
The Highways Working Group (Cllrs Dunning and Fosdike) will add 20 mph to their remit.
6. **Planning Applications:** To consider the following:

[DC/23/4042/FUL](#) - First Floor Extension, 5 Crabtree Close – No objections

[DC/23/4024/FUL](#) - Single storey extension to the side and rear, 8 Allington Road – No Objections

[DC/23/4259/FUL](#) - Single storey front extension, 43 Dukes Drive – No Objections

[DC/23/4213/VOC](#) - Variation of Condition 2 Development of a 50MW battery storage facility with associated infrastructure - Parcel of Land Within Norwich Road Industrial Estate – Cllr Hedges will look at this application in more detail and respond.

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7. **Questions for Milestone** – Cllr Dunning will be asking whether the Highways Maintenance Operation Plan will have changed since Milestone took over from Kier. If the Committee has any questions can Cllr Dunning be CC'd in to her SCC address.
8. **Highways Working Group** – The group has still not met yet. Cllr Dunning has cleaned some road signs that were reachable from the floor. Cllr Fosdike agreed to undertake the training for Highways accreditation.
It was agreed that any spare funds from purchasing the cleaning equipment should be utilised to buy cones and an approved ladder.
9. **Thoroughfare Working Group** – The residents passes are being supported by ESC for the Thoroughfare. There is has been another applicant for the bollards project leader.
10. **Wayfinding Group** – A contractor (Yellobelly) has been appointed for the content of the boards. Designs yet to be finalised.
11. **Correspondence** – Dealt with under 5
12. **News Items:** To publicise street names for the Hopkins Homes development.