Minutes of the Meeting of the **TRANSPORT COMMITTEE** held at the Town Hall on **FRIDAY 22ND JANUARY 2014** at **2.15 p.m**.

Chairman: -

Councillor M. Whitwam Swanage Town Council

Present: -

Councillor Mrs C Bartlett Swanage Town Council Councillor M Bonfield Swanage Town Council

Mrs C Finch Swanage & District Chamber of Trade

& Commerce

Also Present: -

Dr. M. Ayres Town Clerk

Mrs C Anstey Administration Assistant

Public Participation Time

There were two members of the public present.

1) Apologies

Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from Councillors Mrs Patrick, Poultney and Trite.

2) Declarations Of Interest

Members were invited to declare their interest under the Code of Conduct as defined by regulations made under section 30 (3) of the Localism Act 2011.

There were no declarations to record on this occasion.

3) <u>Matters arising from Minutes of the Meeting of the Transport Committee</u> held on 13 November 2013

There were no matters raised.

4) Highway Matters

a) Traffic Calming Measures – Cow Lane

Further to minute 5)c) of the Transport Committee Meeting held 13th November 2013 and correspondence received from Dorset County Council it was proposed by Councillor Bonfield, seconded by Councillor Mrs Bartlett and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

TO RECOMMEND

That the Town Council commission Dorset County Council at a cost of approximately £200 to lay cables at the lower end of Cow Lane to monitor the volume and speed of traffic.

5) Proposed Diversion of Footpath

a) Footpath 46

Further to minute 117) of the Monthly Council meeting held on 6th January 2014 the Chairman invited Mr Ian McKenzie to provide clarification of the proposed diversion of Footpath 46. It was reported that the original route of the footpath was difficult to follow through Swanage Bay View Holiday Park, as in some areas caravans obstructed the route. It was noted that all affected

landowners through which the footpath passed had been consulted. Attention was drawn to other issues regarding Footpath 61 and a cut through path that had been well walked for a number of years through Swanage Bay View Holiday Park and it was suggested that this could be included as part of the application for the diversion. It was proposed by Councillor Bonfield, seconded by Councillor Mrs Bartlett and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSY:

TO RECOMMEND:

That the Town Council give its full support to the proposed diversion of Footpath 46 subject to clarification of the related costs.

It was further AGREED:

That Mr McKenzie carries out preapplication consultation with regard to alterations to Footpath 61 and the north east corner route through Swanage Bay View Holiday Park.

Members noted their appreciation of Mr Mckenzie's work on this and other footpath related matters.

b) Footpath 64

Consideration was given to a letter from Dorset County Council outlining an application from Suttle Stone Quarries to divert Footpath 64. It was noted that Suttle Stone Quarries had been granted planning permission to allow stone extraction and restoration to geological exposure and limestone grassland which would necessitate a small diversion to the footpath. Attention was drawn to the need to ensure that the diverted route would be gated and not stiled to allow easy access for all walkers. Following a brief discussion it was proposed by Councillor Bonfield, seconded by Councillor Mrs Bartlett and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:

That the Town Council has no objection to the proposed diversion of Footpath 64.

6) Subsidised Bus Services Consultation

Consideration was given to a consultation document outlining the proposed Winter changes for bus Route 50 produced by Poole Borough Council. Concerns were raised regarding the reduction in services after 1738 hrs. It was reported that a number of people rely on a later bus to return home from work or college in Bournemouth. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Whitwam and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the Town Council write a letter of objection to the proposed cuts to Route 50, specifically the cut in later services.

7) Gilbert Road Service Road / Junction with Rempstone Road – Update

There were no updates to report on this matter.

8) Items of Information and Matters for Forthcoming Agendas

a) Removal of Bus Stop - Argyle Road/Kings Road

The removal of a bus stop opposite Argyle Road on Kings Road was highlighted. It was reported that this was removed during recent gas

works and had not been re-instated. It was agreed that this should be raised with the bus company as a matter of concern.

b) Re-naming of Court Hill

The change in name from Court Hill to Court Road was highlighted. Members requested that an update from Purbeck District Council be sought further to the item having been raised during Public Participation time at the Annual Council meeting in May 2013.

9) Date of next meeting

The meeting closed at 3.15 p.m.

It was noted that the date of the next meeting had been scheduled for Wednesday 21st May 2014.

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