

4) **Urban Design Project Update – Traffic Flow**

It was noted that a traffic flow study was now being undertaken by Dorset County Council's Traffic Management Department, but that the Town and Community Partnership had not recently received an update.

5) **To set Car Parking Charges for 2008/09 winter season**

In deciding the car parking charges for winter 2008/09 detailed consideration was given to the income received from the various tariff bands in the Town Council's car parks during winter 2007/08. It was noted that a number of adverse comments had been received about the level of car parking charges in the town and that the economy was in a downturn. It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Mrs Gainsborough and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:

TO RECOMMEND:

That the car parking charges for winter 2008/09 remain unchanged from 2007/08.

It was further RESOLVED:

That this policy be advertised in Swanage Matters.

6) **Shore Road Seasonal Closure - Consultation**

Consideration was given to a letter dated 14th August 2008 from the Traffic Management Department of Dorset County Council enquiring of the Town Council's views in respect of the continuation of the experimental Seasonal 24 Hour Closure of Shore Road between the Mowlem and Victoria Avenue from 1st May to 30th September. The small number of objections and letters in support, received from the public was noted. It was proposed by Councillor Trite, seconded by Councillor Audley and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:

TO RECOMMEND:

That Dorset County Council be requested to introduce the seasonal closure of Shore Road between the Mowlem and Victoria Avenue from 1st May to 30th September on a permanent basis.

7) **Highway Authority matters**

a) **High Street/Priests Road Junction**

Members discussed concerns raised by the owner of 205 High Street regarding the dangerous nature of the junction between High Street and Priests Road. It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Mrs Patrick and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:

That a letter be sent to Dorset County Council supporting the concerns raised by the owner of 205 High Street and requesting that action is taken to mitigate the dangers highlighted.

b) **Gordon Road – Request for Dropped Kerb**

A letter from a resident of Gordon Road requesting the installation of a dropped kerb at the top of the hill was received. It was RESOLVED:

That a letter of support be sent to Dorset County Council.

c) **Rabling Road/Walrond Road/Service Road – Concerns re. speeding and anti-social parking**

Consideration was given to a number of letters received regarding speeding and anti-social parking along Rabling Road, Walrond Road and the Victoria Avenue/Rabling Road service lane. Particular attention was drawn to the difficulties of residents gaining access to their driveways and the possible painting of white lines to deter obstructive parking. Concern was expressed that if such lines were too generous then it would significantly reduce the parking available in these roads. It was RESOLVED:

That a letter be sent to Dorset County Council requesting that consideration be given to the painting of white lines in front of residents' driveways where requested, provided that the white lines do not extend so far as to significantly reduce the parking available in these roads.

It was noted that the issue of speeding was a matter requiring police enforcement and that their attention should be drawn to this matter in this area. It was also noted that the possible introduction of a 20 mph speed limit in the town had been deferred pending the outcome of the traffic flow study being currently undertaken by Dorset County Council.

8) **Taxi Rank – Future Proposals**

Further to minute 8) of the Transport Committee meeting held on 6th February 2008, consideration was given to the possibility of introducing disabled parking spaces at the taxi rank, which was currently under-utilised. It was noted that this formed part of the pending cost-benefit analysis of the future use of the taxi rank and it was AGREED:

That this matter be considered further at the next meeting of the Transport Committee.

9) **Review and monitoring of Transport Committee action points**

A list of action points arising from meetings of the Transport Committee since its inception in May 2007 was received by Members for information. Further to minute 3)t) of the Transport Committee meeting held on 1st August 2007 it was noted that disabled access buses were being introduced in greater numbers by the Wilts and Dorset bus company.

In relation to item 3)h) of the Transport Committee meeting held on 1st August 2007 it was reported that the Peveril Point Residents' Parking scheme had been included in the Town Council's Off-Street Parking Places Order and that it would be implemented for 2009.

10) **Items of Information and Matters for Forthcoming Agendas**

The future use of the vacant garage on Peveril Point Road was raised as an item for a future agenda.

The Town Clerk reported on works to be undertaken in Panorama Road to improve road markings to deter speeding traffic at the cost of £600 and invited comments prior to approval being granted under delegated authority.

Concern was expressed regarding the condition of the footpath at the rear of Marsh Way between Priests Road and the Benlease estate. It was agreed that the matter would be actioned by the East Dorset Ramblers Association.

Concern was also raised over the keeping of bulls on land at Durlston Country Park. It was agreed that Councillor Audley meet with a representative of Durlston Country Park.

The need to follow up the installation of cycle racks outside of the library was highlighted.

It was reported that Dorset County Council were investigating the installation of finger posts to better waymark footpaths in the parish and no objection was raised in respect of this issue.

11) Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the date of the next meeting had been scheduled for Wednesday 28th January 2009.

The meeting closed at 4.25 p.m.
