Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of South Hinksey Parish Council at South Hinksey Village Hall

Friday 21st April 2017

Present:

Christine Chater, Michael Cochrane (chair), Matthew Frohn, Liz LeFevre

Cllr Bob Johnston (OxonCC), Geoffrey Ferres (Clerk)

Other attendees:

None

Time commenced: 6.30pm

1. Apologies

Maggie Rawcliffe.

2. Declarations of interest

None.

3. Draft Traffic Regulation Orders

LLF said that following the last meeting she had felt unhappy with the task of drafting an objection to the reduction from 40mph to 30mph sought by Sunningwell Parish Council. She was concerned the Council might be going to cut off its nose to spite its face. On balance, she felt it was less likely the Council would be able to get a reduction from 40mph to 30mph on Hinksey Hill if Sunningwell's proposal were rejected by OxonCC. CC said she also found the Council's position illogical.

MC said there had not originally been any mention of chicanes at either end of the 30mph limit and there had been issues such as hedges obstructing the pathway.

BJ asked if the Council were aware that Wootton Parish Council is seeking a reduction to 30mph. MC said the possibility existed of a 30mph limit all the way from the former Harley Davidson showroom in Wootton to the Hinksey Hill roundabout.

MC said the Council had three options: to object; to do nothing; to make representations to OxonCC. MF said he favoured making representations to OxonCC.

BJ said that OxonCC would look for two things if asked to consider reducing the speed limit on Hinksey Hill from 40mph to 30mph: evidence and a commitment from the Council to pay the cost of the making the reduction. CC said she did not accept the Council should meet all OxonCC's costs.

It was agreed unanimously that the Council would make representations to OxonCC before the deadline of 27th April. LLF and CC agreed to draft something. MC suggested the Council should make clear its support for Sunningwell's proposal while indicating it regretted the reduction to 30mph would not also apply to Hinksey Hill. BJ said it would be a good idea to indicate that such a reduction would be in line with the Council's long-term aims

Action: CC and LLF to draft representations to be submitted to OxonCC.

LLF informed the Council she had arranged a meeting with OxonCC officers on 26th April. CC would also be attending. MF suggested they ask the officers if Sunningwell's data will carry weight in relation to an application for a 30mph limit on Hinksey Hill.

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4. Planning application

Corscombe House, Hinksey Hill: Detached side garage with gym above [P17/V0899/HH] It was agreed unanimously that the Council had no objection to the application. Action: Clerk to inform VoWHDC that the Council has no objection.

Time concluded: 6.58pm

MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Date of the next Parish Council meeting: Monday 8th May 2017 at 7.30pm in South Hinksey Village Hall

Signed:

Date: 8/7/17

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