FULFORD PARISH COUNCIL
HIGHWAYS WORKING GROUP MEETING

WEDNESDAY 21st JUNE 2023

Meir Heath and Rough Close Village Hall

Present:
Cllr A Noblett
Cllr K Deeth
Cllr P Wilkinson
Cllr G Brunt
Cllr C Baskin

Cllr I Parry

In attendance:
Mrs Gemma Keiher-Knapper (Clerk/RFO)
Mr M Oxby

3 Members of public

Meeting starts at 1300hrs

HIGH001/23 To allow for Public Participation
A resident brought to the Working Groups attention the condition of Adamthwaite Drive and Ridgway Drive and that the potholes have been on the list to be repaired for over 35 years. The resident explained that the problem is part of the road being private road so the public part in not repaired. The resident is fed up with having to pay out for vehicle repairs because of the state of the roads. The resident stressed that the whole of both roads need resurfacing not just patch work.

Cllr I Parry in response to the resident asked if it has been reported on the Highways website. Cllr K Deeth confirmed that she has reported it. Cllr I Parry went on to explain that Cat 1 potholes should be repaired in 7-10 days and that he realises that the system isn't perfect and is constantly trying to be improved. Having recently driven the two roads he agrees that they are in a poor state and was surprised that no residents have been in touch with him recently to report the poor conditions of both roads. The Clerk confirmed that no residents had brought it to the Parish Councils attention either, surprisingly. Cllr I Parry requested the reference numbers and agreed to investigate the work schedule for them.

A second resident explained that he is in attendance as a member of the public and would like to work constructively to improve the area. However everyday he said that he cannot leave his house safely because of the number of potholes and that it is unacceptable to put

up with the road conditions. The member of public went on to say that he systematically reports the potholes and a few days later receives an email back from Highways explaining that there is no funding. The Clerk challenged this comment as the Highways standard response does not include anything about funding. The resident went on to explain that residents see other areas of the Parish roads being repaired but never Adamthwaite Drive and Ridgway Drive when those roads are in a far worse condition. The resident went on to ask for them to be prioritised as the residents are getting angry.

Cllr K Deeth questioned if the work can't be conducted because of the number of parked cars there all day every day. Cllr I Parry confirmed that he will investigate, and the resident offered to assist to leaflet drop to ask residents to move their cars when confirmed works will take place.

There were raised voices and the three members of public left the meeting.

HIGH002/23 Apologies for Absence.
None

HIGH003/23 Declarations of interest and dispensation.
None.

HIGH004/23 To review Minutes of previous meeting Thursday 10th March 2022.
Reviewed.

HIGH005/23 Meir Heath Road surfaces including mini roundabouts.
Reference number 4254438 Cllr I Parry confirmed that this is in the works schedule for July.

HIGH006/23 Speed indicator financial support.
The Clerk informed the working group that the SID poles have been purchased and are awaiting Highways to install them. The Clerk requested financial help with purchasing a SID once the poles are installed. Cllr I Parry will investigate possible match funding options.

HIGH007/23 Speed Limit Change outside St Matthews School.
Cllr I Parry confirmed that it is still going through consultation but said that is should certainly be rectified by the end of the year at the latest.

HIGH008/23 Hilderstone Road Flooding.
Mr M Oxby informed the meeting that all that is required is the drains spading every once in a while, to clear them. However, the location is very dangerous for the Parish Councillors to do it. The Clerk will put in a request to Street Scene as they regularly litter pick that area.

HIGH009/23 Saverley Green Road.
Mr M Oxby informed the meeting that the work had been carried out but unfortunately the machine broke down but Mrs P Lees kindly informed Mr M Oxby of the return to complete the job.

Mr M Oxby requested the road to be swept and the Clerk confirmed she will investigate it.

HIGH010/23 Grindley Lane Creda Roundabout.
4279886 Chevron signposts are all corroded this was reported in Apr 22 please can Mrs P Lees look into this reference report.

HIGH011/23 Traffic Surveys in the Parish.

Cllr I Parry confirmed that he has requested traffic surveys to be conducted at Common Lane and Windmill Hill as assess speed and HGV usage to analysis how safe it is, what the behaviours are and what are the possible solutions.

Cllr P Wilkinson requested a traffic survey for Fulford Road.

Stallington Road was also discussed and decided that if more complaints are received following Uttoxeter Road now being re-open then a request will also be submitted for Stallington Road.

HIGH012/23 Re painting of yellow lines in the Parish.

Cllr K Deeth informed the meeting that the yellow lines on Ridgway Drive have all faded, so parents are parking round a blind bend. If they are re painted, then this might stop.

Cllr K Deeth also informed the meeting that the contractors still have not returned to Sutherland Cres to repaint any road markings.

Cllr C Baskin also added that Golborn Ave requires the double yellow lines repainting.

HIGH013/23 Items for the next agenda

HIGH014/23 Date of the next meeting
TBC

Meeting Closed at 1350hrs

GEMMA KEIHER-KNAPPER (Clerk/ Proper Officer)
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Signed **Date** **Position**

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