

**Minutes of Lympe Parish Council Traffic Management Committee  
held on Monday 15th February 2021 at 7 pm.**

**The meeting was held online under the following legislation The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.**

# MINUTES

**PRESENT**

**Cllr Ian White- Chair  
Mrs Judith East  
Mr Neil Bedford  
Mr Andy Pilcher**

**Also, present Mr J Lawrence- Parish Clerk**

**1. APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR**

**Members will propose and vote for the appointment of a Chair for the committee**

Parish Councillor Ian White was proposed by Judith East and seconded by Neil Bedford.  
A vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Cllr Ian White was duly elected as chair of the committee.

**2. APOLOGIES. Members are reminded of the need to tender apologies with the reason for absence direct to the Clerk if they are unable to attend.**

No apologies received

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- a. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature.**
- b. To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda – any councillors with prejudicial interests must leave the room for the relevant items.**

No declarations were made

**4. Terms of Reference**

**Members will review and acknowledge the terms of reference for this committee.**

It was requested that the term sub committee be removed and replaced with Committee. The remainder of the terms were accepted by those present.

**5. Traffic Calming Measures**

**Members will review the recent installations at Court-At-Street and Aldington Road (County Members). Court-at-Street review to include a discussion regarding the signage concerns and use of the route by HGV's raised by a resident.**

It was reported that the traffic calming measures at Court-at-Street are having a good effect.

Members acknowledged that the signage at Court-At Street did not include hyphens. This matter will be raised with the scheme providers.

A discussion took place regarding the use of large vehicles through the hamlet- It was agreed that there were few options for drivers to be able to use an alternative route.

It was noted that a 6'6" width restriction did apply to vehicles using the B2067 through the hamlet, but vehicles exceeding that width are permitted to gain access to the premises there and the surrounding areas. It was thought that it was unlikely that vehicles were using the route for other purposes.

It was agreed that there no action can be taken in this matter as there are no restriction for the use of this classification of vehicle. It was agreed that reports from the areas would be monitored.

**6. Belcaire Close Junction with Stone Street – Safety Concerns**

Members will discuss the call from residents to introduce parking restrictions at this junction due to recent safety issues with vehicles parking on the junction.

After a discussion it was agreed that the Clerk would write to KCC to request some signage to prevent vehicles parking close to the junction.

**7. Belcaire Close- Footpath/Access Road**

Members will discuss and make recommendations for the repairs to potholes on the footpath between Belcaire Close and Harmen Avenue Lympne. (FOOT PATH HE369)

Members agreed that this route was in a bad state of repair and was unsafe for residents to walk along.

It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the KCC to request that they bring the footpath up to a standard that allows pedestrians to use the route safely

**8. "RELIEF OF LYMPNE"-**

Members will review the comments from KCC Councillor Martin Whybrow and his contact with KCC Highways.

After discussion it was agreed that the meeting with Matt Hogben from KCC would be awaited prior to making any further decisions. The Clerk was requested to follow up the request for the meeting at the end of March if it had not taken place by then.

**9. Items for future meetings**

- Track between Berwick Lane and The Ridgeway- Suggestion for a natural path to be installed to encourage a sustainable route to and from school without using the main road.
- Consider solutions to reduce speed and traffic volumes along Aldington Road which is causing issues to those entering Aldington road from Octavian Drive.

**10. Date of next meeting- To be confirmed**

Members will be notified of the date of the next meeting.

