**FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Faringdon Area Traffic Advisory Committee**

**held on Friday, 6th December 2019 at 9.30 am**

**in the Jubilee Room, Market Place, Faringdon SN7 7HL**

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| **Present:**  **In attendance:** | **C/Cllr Judith Heathcoat, Chairman**  **C/Cllr Anda Fitzgerald-O’Connor**  **D/Cllr David Grant**  **T/Cllr Jane Boulton**  **T/Cllr Mike Wise**  **Mark Mobey, Magistrate**  **Lee Turner, OCC Area Operations (South)**  **1 member of the public**  **Jo King, Town Clerk’s Assistant**  **Marzia Sellitti, Deputy Town Clerk, Faringdon Town Council** |  |
| **1/12/19** | **Apologies for Absence and welcome from the Chairman to the last meeting of the year.**  Apologies for absence were received from D/Cllr Bethia Thomas, T/Cllr Morgan and Chris Hulme Thames Valley Police |  |
| **2/12/19** | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| **3/12/19** | **Minutes of the Last Meeting: 6th September 2019**  Minor typographical errors were noted, and the minutes were AGREED and signed by the Chairman as a correct record. |  |
| **4/12/19** | **Matters Arising**  ***Min 4(a) and 6 b) of agenda, Pavements:***Members identified high risks of hazard and tripping associated to the uneven surface of pavements in Faringdon town centre. The Chairman informed that this matter will be brought up in a meeting with the Director of Communities as to ensure that pavements are repaired and resurfaced as soon as is possible and appropriate to Faringdon conservation area  ***Min 4(b) Permit Scheme*:** Chairman updated Committeeon the start date of Oxfordshire Permit Scheme, informing them of a soft launch in January 2020 and a main launch in February 2020.  ***Min 4(c), Feasibility study parking in Faringdon***  **LT** updated members that the study has been completed and report will follow soon.  ***Min 4(d), Civil Parking in Faringdon:*** D/Cllr Grant updated members on the process of the above study, clarifying that it will take 2 years for a change to be enforced with necessary agreement of all districts and support from OCC before being reviewed by Minister of Transport.  **MW** pointed out that a comprehensive parking survey report was done in Faringdon in 2014  **JH** suggested that, with consent of the clerk, the parking survey could be made available to read on the web or circulated to members. The Chairman however highlighted the importance of maintaining a forward vision despite the report done in the past.  Item 6a from agenda was discussed at this point and **LT** updated members that resurfacing work in Park road is scheduled to be carried out in 2020 /2021.  The Chairman suggested that officers should check upon completion of road works undertaken by the public services that the quality of surfaces adhere to the expected standard set by OCC Highways.  **LT** informed members about the existence of an inspection programme in place to which officers act accordingly.  **AF** informed members that actions under Min 6 have been completed.  **LT** updated on the ownership of the land of Market Place, confirming after checks with Land Registry that the land is unregistered, and County Council still has Highways rights. |  |
| **5/12/19**  **JH will write to S.Allen-Stevens to give update**  **LT** | **Public Speaking**  The Chairman spoke on the matter of access from Wicklesham Farm estate to A420. Sarah Allen-Stevens not being present for public speaking to raise her concerns.  It was noted that OCC aims to ensure traffic lights are installed at Great Coxwell junction. The Chairman informed members that a concrete batching plant proposed in Little Coxwell will see the movement of 44 large vehicles per day. It was explained that these two factors should contribute to slow down the traffic and make access to A420 easier.  The Chairman invited a member of the public to speak.  The resident raised his concern since hearing that the work on Park Road will be postponed to 2021.It was enquired by the resident what the criteria for repairing pots holes in cycle lanes is.  While acknowledgingthe complexity of the subject the resident enquired on the funding available for sustainable transport. The Chairman reminded the meetings that local budget has been reduced and OCC is doing the best they can to improve services and infrastructures within the financial constraints. The resident also thanked FTC and members of the committee for their input in moving projects such as 20 mph zone further. |  |
| **6/12/19** | **County Council Highways Officer’s Report**  Written reports from the OCC Traffic Works Team and the OCC Highways and Drainage Division were received.  **MW** enquired if Swan Lane could be one-way system. It was noted that a previous consultation showed that residents were not in favour of the change.  **LT** noted that there are currently no resources to start such projects.  Members discussed the road closure in Gloucester street and the quality level of the work. The Chairman informed that this was acknowledged, and officers were fully aware of the standard of the work that has been undertaken.  The Chairman then reminded members of the importance of using fix my street to log and record issues.  **LT** updated on the progress of a 20-mph zone in Faringdon, noting that the map was received correctly and quotes for survey have now been put out for tenders. The Chairman proposed and it was agreed that the parking/traffic projects be linked with both DC and FTC. |  |
| **7/12/19** | **District Council Traffic matters within the Faringdon Ward**  This item was discussed under item 4 Min 4/12/19 |  |
| **8/12/19** | **Other Business**  None. |  |
| **9/12/19** | **Confirmed Future Meetings dates:**  Friday 6 March 2020 at 09:30  Friday 5 June 2020 at 09:30  Friday 4 September 2020 at 09:30  Friday 4 December 2020 at 09:30  Friday 5 March 2021 at 09:30 |  |

Meeting ended at 10:35

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**Marzia Sellitti**

