**FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL**

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

**held on Friday, 6th September 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 Kimberley Morgan**  **Vanessa Buckley, OCC Principal Officer, Quality Assurance (South)**  **Mark Mobey, Magistrate**  **Chris Hulme, Thames Valley Police**  **Lee Turner, OCC Area Operations (South)**  **Jo King, Town Clerk’s Assistant**  **Marzia Sellitti, Deputy Town Clerk, Faringdon Town Council** |  |
| **1.** | **Apologies for Absence and welcome from the Chairman for those attending their first meeting. Agreed a letter of thanks will be sent to Hilary Sherman on her retirement from FATAC.**  Apologies for absence were received from D/Cllr Bethia Thomas. |  |
| **2.** | **Declarations of Interest**  There were none |  |
| **3.** | **Minutes of the Last Meeting: 7 June 2019**  The minutes were AGREED and signed by the Chairman as a correct record. |  |
| **4.** | **Matters Arising**  ***Min 6(a), Pavements:*** *The Chairman reported on her walk about to investigate the state of pavements, awaiting now for report from officer.* The Chairman reported that pavements will be included in OCC’s maintenance programme, but the starting date is unknown, and she would chase up the matter.  ***Min 6(b) Overgrowing Foliage in Faringdon:*** T/Cllr Dr Wise followed up on this issue, which has now been actioned and dealt with.  ***Permit Scheme*:** Chairman updated Committeeon progress of initial Oxfordshire Permit consultation.  ***Min 6(c), Feasibility study on Parking in Faringdon:*** Lee Turner updated the committee on this matter. It was noted that the study will start on the 9th of September and a report will be completed at the end of October.  ***Min 7(a), Speed Limit:*** Lee reported on the speed limit matter, suggesting that a 20mph zone would be much more cost effective and that a map showing how many speed surveys sites should be provided to move this plan further.  **CH** advised to not extend the 20mph zone further than the town centre.  ***Min 7(*b)** **Installation of a 2-way cycle lane** on some of the 1-way streets in Faringdon – Bromsgrove, Skinners Lane, Coach Lane; **LT** advised that FTC conduct research and fund assessment of cycling routes if they wish to explore this matter.  **Min c) Poor road conditions for cyclists:**  Pelican crossing in Coxwell road has been addressed via a patch road repair.  Park Road will be resurfaced.  **Budget percentage spent on cycling**: LT reported this question could not be answered due to the complexity of the subject. |  |
| **5.** | **Public Speaking**  There were no members of the public present at the meeting. |  |
| **6.** | **County Council Highways Officer’s Report**  Written reports from the OCC Traffic Works Team and the OCC Highways and Drainage Division were received.  **LT** reported on the surface work improvement done in Pines Lane, as proposed in previous meeting by T/Cllr Dr Wise.  At this point the Chairman advised that she had written to past members of FATAC in recognition and appreciation of their work whilst members of the committee and had received thanks from them.  **AF** enquired on latest Traffic Team Works update:  It was noted that funding was received from the County Councillors priority funds for the Charney Bassetts entrance gates, but still waiting for contribution from parish council. Gates will be fitted at the gateway once the parish council’s contribution is received.  It was reported that the pavement in front of the school in Fir Tree Close needs repairing. VB will investigate the issue. | **VB** |
| **7.** | **District Council Traffic Matters within the Faringdon Ward**  The Chair circulated a District Council report from February 2019, stating that the matter of the parking in Market place is a matter that would need the landowner of Faringdon Estate.  It was enquired if the owner of the estate owns the parking bay in Market Place. It was noted that the further checks on this through the Land registry will be carried out by clerk.  General discussion on civil parking enforcement took place.  **DG** to explore pay and display as viable option.  **DG** reported that District Council’s development projects to introduce an electric car charging point is moving forward.  **LT** noted that signage for electric point is already in place in Faringdon and ready to use. | **MS/JH**  **DG** |
|  | At this point the chairman mentioned the good work done on the occasion of the women’s national cycle race on the 12th of June in Faringdon.  The Chairman congratulated the excellent service of Highways and Fire service for the smooth running of the OVO race.it was noted that no public complaint was received on the road closure for the race.  A footage of the OVO race is now accessible online showing Faringdon in Pink. |  |
| **8** | **Other Business**  None was noted. |  |
| **9.** | **Confirmed Future Meetings dates**  Apologies for **CH** were noted for the next meeting on 6th December |  |

Meeting ended at 10:24

10 September 2019

M. Sellitti

