

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
OF BARTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH OFFICE ON
MONDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2018 COMMENCING AT 7.27pm**

- Present:** Councillors Mr J Paxton (Chairman), Mr N Day, Mr D Gunter (*ex-officio*) & Mr L. Davison-Williams (*ex-officio*)
- In Attendance:** Councillor Mrs G Gardner, Mrs B Thomas, Mr J Roberts, Mrs C Callen (Parish Clerk) & Mrs S Cowie, Assistant Clerk.
- Minutes:** Mrs S Cowie

- 18/176 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Councillor Mr M McNulty
- 18/177 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (*Cllrs may make declarations pertaining to the agenda at this point or at any point during the meeting*). - There were none
- 18/178 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, 18th JUNE 2018**
Councillor Paxton **PROPOSED** approval of the minutes of 18th June 2018, **SECONDED** by Councillor Gunter with 3 in favour with 1 abstention.
- 18/179 MATTERS ARISING**
Councillor Paxton reminded members of the temporary road closure of the A6 from Monday 24th - Friday 28th September. The road closure takes place from 8pm until 6pm daily.
- 18/180 UPDATE ON TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME**
Councillor Davison-William attended the Traffic Management meeting at Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) on Wednesday 19th September. Three residents also attended, one family were in favour of the scheme the other member did not make comment and a further two written objections had been received by CBC. The objections related to the position of the speed humps and speed. Councillor Dalgarno, Chairman Traffic Management meeting and Councillor Young, Executive Member for regeneration at CBC commented that they felt that the scheme was good and they acknowledged it would be paid for jointly with the Parish Council and Rural Match Funding. The scheme was received favourably and it was noted that there are also planned work outside Arnold Academy. Committee members felt these works should be carried out at the same time to ensure that disruption is kept to a minimum and separate road closures are not necessary. It is likely that the works will now not take place until Spring, outside of term times. A 20mph speed limit outside Arnold Academy has also been discussed but CBC advised that this is not possible and until physical speed humps are in place the Police will not enforce. This is to be revisited at a later date. Councillor Paxton asked whether the delay in the Hexton Road scheme would have a knock on effect to the 5 year plan. Councillor Davison-Williams advised that it was unclear whether Rural Match Funding would be available for future years, the plan for year 3 is Higham Road with Bedford Road and Sharpenhoe following in successive years. Councillor Shingler may be able to provide further information at the October Full Council meeting.
- 18/181 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE** - There was none

Meeting closed at 7.41pm

