Roads Committee meeting

Downstairs Committee Room, Trinity Parish Hall

Monday 29th November 2021 at 2.30pm

In attendance:

Philip Le Sueur, Connétable ("PLS")

Reverend Geoff Houghton ("GH")

Alan Dunford ("AD")

Barry Fossey ("BF")

Norman Le Maistre ("NLM")

(Jane Sappé (JS) taking minutes).

- 1. No apologies received as everyone was present.
- 2. The minutes of the previous committee meeting on 2nd August 2021 were reviewed and approved.

3. Matters arising

• La Rue D'Empierre

The letter having been sent as previously agreed, no response has been received as yet.

• Rue de L'Epine

Following a meeting with members of the Roads Committee, the property owner changed his plan which meant that the proposed excavation of the road was no longer necessary.

• Rue de la Fosse

The remedial work regarding the trench is due to commence tomorrow.

• La Ruelle de Mont Ifer

Signage being installed.

Rue du Càtel

The new owner of the relevant property has established the field access as previously agreed with the former owner.

• Rue de la Garenne

The yellow line marking the junction with La Grande Route de la Trinité has been replaced with a white line, which the Roads Committee agreed was more appropriate for the junction. A white line requires the road user to stop, whereas a yellow line requires the road user to give way.

• La Verte Rue

The work regarding the bank to stabilise the road needs to be checked.

• La Ruelle du Mont Pellier

JCS to check for recent correspondence with the new owner.

4. Rue de la Haut de L'Orme

The Connétable noted that the various road works had been completed and that the Parish would be asked to go to Court to pass the various contracts required.

The Roads Committee members having already visited the road to assess the road works, their feedback was generally positive but two questions arose:

- (i) Were the passing places on the road shown as rectangular in shape or were the ends shown as slanted?
- (ii) Was a bollard and a square end to the pavement shown on the right hand side of the road as one enters it from St John's Road?

If slanted re (i) and/or not shown re (ii), then they need to be raised and resolved before the passing of any contracts by the Parish.

5. Rue de la Garenne

It was noted that a good job had been made of the trench. The property owner is being asked to get it edge-bound, and rather than apply the agreed contribution to the full reinstatement of the road, the £5,000 contribution would go into the Roads budget to be used for other purposes.

6. Road lines needing attention

AD identified the following junctions where the lines had been worn away and needed reinstating:

- (i) Rue au Guerdain and Rue d'Asplet
- (ii) Rue de la Fontaine and Rue de la Bergerie

AD also mentioned how green La Rue de l'Epine had recently become.

BF identified the following junctions where the lines had been worn away and needed reinstating:

- (i) La Grande Route de St Jean and Rue de Becquet
- (ii) Rue des Arbres to Rue du Vieux Moulin both top and bottom of the hill
- (iii) Rue de la Fontaine Colard and Rue Coutanche
- (iv) La Neuve Route and Rue du Bechet
- (v) Rue du Douet and Rue D'Empierre

.BF also noted that the road surface on La Neuve Route was starting to break down half way up.

7. Pot holes needing attention

GH identified a pot hole near Rondels Farm Shop.

PLeS confirmed that he has written to Jersey Water about the work needed to sort out the water meters in the road.

The condition of Rue des Cateaux was discussed and it was agreed that before any action could be taken by the Parish to improve it, discussions were needed with the adjoining landowner, xxxxxx.

8. La Rue de la Croiserie

It was noted that mud flowing down from the field owned and leased out by the Parish through an entrance onto the road was causing significant problems for the property owner opposite. The Parish's tenant has been consulted and has confirmed that the two field entrances on to the road are obsolete, never being used.

A similar problem in another area of the Parish had been successfully resolved by the parties involved by the installation of gabion baskets in the field entrance.

The property owner and the Connétable having obtained quotes for the installation of gabion baskets, it was decided that the Parish would offer to

contribute 50% of the £3,000 quote obtained by the property owner, this quote being the cheaper of the two.

GH requested that thought be given to the aesthetics of the gabion baskets and that they be deliberately planted to soften their appearance.

9. Rue Becq update

It was noted that the tennis balls placed on top of the metal spikes were disappearing.

Following the receipt of a complaint about the erosion of banks by the road cleaner, the Connétable wrote to the property owner suggesting that they undertake to keep the road clear; if agreement could be reached, he would then give instructions to the road cleaner not to go down Rue Becq. No response has been received as yet.

10. Any other business

• Spraying

NLeM advised that St Martin, St Clement, Grouville and St Lawrence spray their roads to keep them clear of weeds. AD confirmed that St Saviour spray too.

More enquiries are to be made about spraying.

Overhanging hedges

It was noted that JCS will produce letters for any Roads Committee member identifying any overhanding hedge that needs attention.

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Connétable		
24.10.2023		
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