Roads Committee meeting

Trinity Parish Hall

27th September 2023 at 9:30am

The Roads Committee (Constable, B Fossey, A Dunford and N Le Maistre) met at the Parish Hall at 9:30am. The Rector had sent his apologies.

Debbie Le Mottée was in attendance to take notes.

Minutes of the Visite du Branchage meeting on 8th September 2023 were read by the Constable and approved as accurate by those present at that meeting and for signature by the Constable.

Resurfacing of La Neuve Route

The meeting noted that, following the meeting on 8th September 2023, ADM Asphalt had provided a detailed report of all resurfacing work that they had previously undertaken for Parishes and Government.

The Constable confirmed that he would be writing to all utility companies advising them of the impending work and inviting them to undertake any work they required prior to resurfacing and the placing of an embargo on excavation of the road.

JEC Trafficworx applications

The Constable advised that the JEC had submitted two major applications to place their overhead cables underground. One application affected the roads from Rue d'Asplet to La Rue de la Chesnaie and included La Rue de la Fontaine. The second application was in La Rue Coutanche.

It was noted that the Constable had met the JEC on site and, while some of the work was being undertaken through private property there was still a significant amount of excavation of roads required. It was noted that the Constable had written to the JEC and had informed them that, where the road was in good condition and had had no previous excavation, the Roads Committee expected full width reinstatement. However, where the road had already been patched by a previous trench, the Committee expected half width reinstatement with the Parish having the option to reinstate the other half at the same time.

The meeting agreed that, in order to preserve the Parish roads, this would be the Roads Committee's policy going forward and, if necessary, a Parish Assembly would be convened to seek any additional funding required.

Branchage

The Constable updated the meeting with regard to branchage matters. It was noted that the majority of the financial penalties had now been collected and the majority of those who had received orders were undertaking the necessary branchage.

Field T405

The meeting considered an application by the new owner to reposition the entrance of the field. The meeting noted that it had approved a similar request from the previous potential purchaser of the field. It was further noted that the new owner only wished to move the access position very slightly to avoid having a tree removed and to avoid the entrance being adjacent to the wall of a property. The meeting considered the new application and drawing and, subject to confirmation of the width of the new access, and agreement from the Rector, gave an in principle agreement to the application.

Trinity Village Improvement Scheme

The Constable talked the meeting through the revised plans for the Scheme and explained that the current configuration of the roads remained with previously suggested one way systems having been removed in the revised plans.

The Constable explained that the revised plans sought to reduce the speed limits in the heart of the Parish and included the introduction of Roxem in parts in order to advise motorists of impending speed limit changes. The meeting supported all proposed changes to the speed limits.

Members of the Roads Committee raised questions regarding the nature of the proposed crossing outside La Grand Clos. One concern was that the narrowing of the road at the point of the crossing would lead to a build up of traffic while traffic waited to pass in single file, particularly if a bus was stopped at the bus stop. The concern was that this would cause motorists to use La Petite Rue de la Falaise and Route du Boulay as a shortcut, thus causing increased traffic in these smaller roads. The second concern was that, unlike a zebra crossing or pelican crossing, the proposed crossing would not be obvious to approaching motorists as it was only defined by a raised platform.

The Constable informed the meeting that a Parish Meeting would be held on Thursday 12th October at 7:00pm at which Parishioners could ask questions of and raise concerns to the Minister and his officers.

Any other business

- The Constable updated the meeting on the work planned for Les Ruelles. He had met with the Minister and officers of IHE. Education was also supportive of the proposal that a pavement and bus stop would be created. It was noted that the application required planning permission and was currently with Government officers to draw up the necessary plans/applications/permissions.
- The Constable informed the meeting that some road markings still needed to be repainted but that he had this in hand.

The meeting closed at 10:45am.
P Le Sueur
Connétable of Trinity
24.10.23
Date