Virtual Meeting of the Highways Working Party – 19th April 2021

Present: Denise Lowry, Dorothy Harvey, Peter Gardiner and Andy Wallace

Apologies: None

Road Safety - short term

- a) Discussed the current 30 and 40 mph signage, their size and location. Ideally, we would like more and of larger size. Andy agreed that terminals with a yellow background and roundels on the road are more effective. Using a road map of the village we identified the locations for 40mph roundels along Wisbech Road and 30mph roundels along Main Street and March Road. Action: Andy to place the order for these now.
- b) Discussed the state of the lines through Welney and along the wash road. Andy advised that the order for the double lines over the bridge have already gone through. Peter queried if the lines would go all the way through the wash and up to Welney House Farm. **Action: Andy to double check this.**
- c) Discussed the signpost relocation by Hurn Drove. Andy reported that the order for this to be completed has already gone in.
- d) Discussed the condition of the current speed signs. It was agreed that if they need replacing, they will be replaced with yellow backed signs.
 Items a to c should be completed by the end of July

Road Safety – long term

- a) Discussed the pavement along Main Street. Resurfacing is needed. Andy confirmed that the pavement in Chestnut Avenue is due to be resurfaced with a slurry this year and that Main Street had not been identified as needing work. The earliest this could be completed would be next year.
- b) Discussed the damaged signage on the Wash Road. Andy confirmed this would be sorted this summer.
- c) Discussed the resurfacing of Hurn Drove. Andy advised that to do this to the William Marshall Centre it could costs at least £60,000. Peter asked about possible contractors. Andy would be able to give us three contractors used by the BC. Action: Andy to provide three contractors for us to contact.
- d) Discussed trod along Hurn Drove to the William Marshall Centre. Peter asked if the drove would be wide enough for a trod leading to the centre from the path along March Road. Andy would support a trod and stated he could give us a price for the trod. **Action: Andy to provide price for the trod.**

Bus Shelter

Discussed the state of the bus shelter and the foundation. Andy confirmed that we could use the Parish Partnership Scheme to help fund this. Action: HWP to contact companies e.g.Westcotec, for quotes.

Village Gateways

Discussed village gateways with signage. Peter expressed concerns about positioning them where the current 30mph signs are around Sandgate corner. Andy stated that the gateways can be placed anywhere but the current road speed limit cannot be changed so if we wanted to tie a gateway to a terminal then they would need to be in the current positions. Could use the Parish Partnership Scheme to help fund these - £800 each gate. Action: Andy to check locations.

Reflector Posts

Discussed the damaged and missing reflector posts along Wisbech Road. Andy confirmed these would be replaced.

Highway Rangers

Peter asked when we would next expect a visit from the Highway Ranger. Andy confirmed they come quarterly and we should receive an email soon.

Speed Signs

Discussed the use of SAMs signs and fixed flashing signs. Andy agreed that fixed signs are more effective. Solar powered signs cost £6000 each. Action: report to Parish Council for future funding.