

Minutes of the 22nd Highway Authority Meeting held in the Council Chamber on Thursday 20th June 2019 @ 09:00am.

Present:	Hon. Russell K Yon	-	Chairman
	Hon. Dr Corinda Essex	-	Deputy Chairperson
	Hon. Gavin G Ellick	-	Member
	Hon. Cyril K Leo	-	Member
	Mr Derek Henry	-	Ag Director – I&T
	Mr Deon Robbertse	-	Roads Manager
	Mr Darren Francis	-	Roads Inspector
	Tutor Constable Gary Balme	-	Police Representative
	Mr Nicky Lawrence	-	Secretary
Apology:	Hon. Cruyff G Buckley	-	Member (CPA meeting)

Welcome.

The Chairman welcomed everyone present and opened the meeting.

22.1 Matters arising from minutes of 16th May 2019.

Parks behind Canister.

The works on the Canister building are nearing completion and the disabled park and taxi parks will return to normal soon.

The Police Representative was thanked for initiating radio publicity regarding traffic and parking issues.

Henry’s Car Park.

The Chairman reported that the installation of beacons to demarcate emergency exits from Solomon’s Greenland’s Department Store is being finalised.

Park for disabled drivers at General Hospital.

The Chairman said he has sent a reminder to the Assistant Director of Health on this issue. However, the matter will be addressed during the walkthrough by the Jamestown Parking Review team.

Action: JTPR team.

Water run-off at Woodlands West.

There has still been no rain to assess the situation. The Chairman will address the issue with Solomon’s.

Action: Chairman

Sign at Bates Branch.

The 'Give Way' sign still has to be marked near the junction of Bates Branch.

Action: Roads Inspector.

Police presence in Lower Jamestown.

The Police Representative reported that due to staff shortage it is difficult to have a Police presence in lower Jamestown at this time. The Chairman asked that they consider patrolling at weekends when both pedestrian and vehicular traffic is heavier.

Action: Police Representative.

Process for road closures.

The Chairman told members he still has to arrange a meeting with the Roads Inspector and representatives of the Emergency Planning and Sea Rescue teams in attendance.

Action: Chairman

Replacement of speed bumps near Pilling School.

The replacement speed bumps have yet to arrive on island.

Action: Roads Manager

Disabled park on Grand Parade.

The location of an extra disabled park in the area of the Grand Parade will be assessed during the walkthrough by the Jamestown Parking Review team.

Action: JTPR Team

Request for disabled parking space for disabled driver.

This request will also be assessed during the walkthrough by the Jamestown Parking Review team.

Action: JTPR Team

Request for permanent access to house site.

The Chairman asked for this item to be removed from the Agenda until the applicant obtains planning permission.

Cruise ship visits and landing at Rupert's.

The Chairman said he is working with Tourism on the issues concerning all tourist attractions. The Haul Road is now open to the public which should help to alleviate some congestion on Field Road.

Action: Chairman/Police Rep/Roads Manager

Signs for Jamestown and Field Road.

The Roads Manager reported that the appropriate signage has been installed.

Road Traffic Ordinance and next steps.

The Chairman reported that he has been working with the Attorney General's Chambers regarding the Road Traffic Ordinance 2016 and a special meeting will be called to review this Ordinance.

Action: Chairman

Haul Road.

The Chairman thanked everyone involved in the opening of the Haul Road. The Roads Manager was asked to prepare a Business Case for funding to provide for any extra safety equipment which may be required for the road such as additional barriers.

The Roads Inspector was asked to obtain costs for replica signage so that when installed, motorists can see signs in both directions to and from the Airport.

Action: Roads Manager/Inspector

Bottom Woods Roads.

The Roads Manager has addressed the issues raised by the resident of Bottom Woods. A formal letter based on the Roads Manager's email will be sent to the resident.

Action: Secretary

Protection for residence near General Hospital.

This matter will be addressed during the walkthrough of Jamestown by the Jamestown Parking Review team.

Action: JTPR Team

Safe cycling on St Helena.

The Chairman told members that the St Helena National Trust (SHNT) is organizing a charity cycle ride around the island, however, by law, some roads are off limits to cyclists.

The SHNT was made aware of this and they responded that this is not a 'mass cycle' ride and they will revisit the route, but would still like a response from the Chairman.

Action: Chairman/SHNT

Give Way sign on Maldivia Road.

The Chairman said that General Hospital staff are still parking on the 'Give Way' sign. He will address this with the Director of Health.

Action: Chairman

Mirror at Harford School.

The Roads Section has cleared obstructing vegetation to improve visibility in the area preventing the need for a mirror.

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Any other urgent business.

Police – Community Engagement.

There was discussion on staffing issues although there have been some new recruits.

Much discussion took place on parking especially 2 hour parking, alternative parking areas, wheel clamping, designated areas for bus parking and paid parking. It was reiterated that there has been a parking proposal for Jamestown but there was no funding to implement it.

Fountain

The Chairman asked where will the new fountain be located. The plan is to place the fountain near its original position at the top of Main Street.

Zebra Crossing and speeding in Main Street.

A member suggested a 'Zebra Crossing' be placed outside Mantis Hotel across to Castle Garden entrance and for traffic calming measures to be put in place in Main Street.

Parking at disused Quarry.

It was reported that a survey was done and fencing has been erected. The Roads Manager will revisit the area to make an assessment to enable parking for Hospital staff.

Action: Roads Manager

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:05am.

The next meeting of the Highway Authority will be held in the Council Chamber on Thursday 18th July 2019 @ 09:00am.

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