

**Minutes of the 27<sup>th</sup> Highway Authority Meeting held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019 @ 09:00am.**

<b>Present:</b>	Hon. Russell K Yon	-	Chairman
	Hon. Dr Corinda Essex	-	Deputy Chairperson
	Hon. Gavin G Ellick	-	Member
	Hon. Cruyff G Buckley	-	Member
	Hon. Cyril K Leo	-	Member
	Mr Derek Henry	-	Director of I&T
	Mr Deon Robbertse	-	Roads Manager
	Mr Darren Francis	-	Roads Inspector
	Mr Nicky Lawrence	-	Secretary
<b>Apology:</b>	Mr Darren Duncan	-	Acting Director of ENRP
<b>Absent:</b>	TC Gary Balme	-	Police Representative

**Welcome.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone present and opened the meeting. There was no Police representation at this meeting due to the change in the regular date of the meeting.

**27.1 Matters arising from minutes of 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019.**

**Park for disabled drivers at General Hospital.**

It was reported that the Health Directorate will not allow a park for disabled drivers within the hospital grounds, but supports one being created outside the main gate. Suggested areas are near the Hospital Main Entrance or a temporary park on the lower side near the gateway.

**Action: Roads Inspector**

**Disabled park at Grand Parade.**

A walkthrough by the Jamestown Parking Review Team was done from Seales's Corner and continued to near the White Horse Tavern. The walkthrough with Police presence, will continue at a date to be confirmed. An extra disabled park in the Grand Parade will be identified at that time.

**Action: JTPR Group**

**Signage for Airport Access Road.**

Funding is still required to purchase the necessary signs.

**Action: Roads Manager**

### **Parking at disused Quarry.**

The Chairman reported that there are concerns about egress from the proposed parking area. He will address this with the Chartered Engineer.

**Action: Chairman.**

### **Deadwood Junction.**

The Chairman reported that a site visit to the area still has to take place, and he proposes a walkthrough of Deadwood with the Roads Manager to look at passing bays and other road features.

**Action: Chairman/Roads Manager**

### **2 hour parks outside Thorpe's Grocery and Tinker's Shops.**

The Roads Inspector was provided with clarity on which parks are being designated as 2 hour parks and how many signs should be erected.

It had been agreed that three parks near the Market end on both sides will be designated two hour parks with two signs on each side which will read:

*2 hour parking only Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm. No return within one hour.*

### **Complaint about Zebra Crossing.**

This matter was addressed in the Police 'Fuzz Buzz' programme.

### **Cones and Blocks in Market Street.**

The Police have been informed of who has permission to reserve parks in Market Street and those persons who are illegally using cones and blocks are being dealt with.

### **Bollards on Bridge.**

Following a report by the Police, the Roads Manager/Inspector will check if these bollards have an arrow showing the direction traffic should follow.

## **27.2 Road Construction Specifications.**

The Roads Manager presented Road Construction Specifications for new main roads, access roads to private residences and community & district roads.

As there are no real specifications for the construction for new roads on island, and construction methods and equipment availability varies, these

specifications are to assist private contractors and to protect St Helena Government.

A member expressed concern about costs to individuals for access to private residences. It was stated that these are guidelines only and not the Rule of Law.

It was suggested that the specifications be added to the Roads Policy and passed to Planning and the Land Development Control Agency (LDCA) as guidelines only.

Members were invited to submit their comments on the Road Construction Specifications via email.

**Action: Committee**

### **27.3 Request to use No Parking Cone – Upper Jamestown.**

A resident of Upper Jamestown had asked permission for a traffic cone to be placed at the entrance to his home to prevent vehicles parking there. It was suggested that a ‘Keep Clear’ sign or broken yellow lines be painted there.

The Chairman said he will check with the Technical Section on what was agreed during the walkthrough by the Jamestown Parking Review team.

**Action: Chairman**

### **Request to use No Parking Cone – Near Seales’s Corner.**

The proprietors of the ‘Anchor’ clothing shop near Seales’s Corner have also requested a cone to stop traffic parking near the doorway of the shop.

The Chairman reported that during the walkthrough by the Jamestown Parking Review team from Barrack’s Square to near the White Horse Tavern; it was agreed to place broken yellow lines outside the shop.

### **27.4 Any other urgent business.**

#### **Operation Safer Roads.**

The Police commenced ‘Operation Safer Roads’ in Jamestown on 1<sup>st</sup> November to continue until 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019. This exercise addresses offences against the Road Traffic Ordinance, 1985.

Their requests for clarity on exemptions provided to various persons in Market Street was provided along with information regarding merchants on Main Street, disabled parking and bus stops.

**Police Parking Exercises.**

A member expressed disappointment about the lack of consistency by the Police during their recent parking exercises. The member felt that the Police should be concentrating on illegal parking on double yellow lines and monitoring the two hour car parks. The Chairman said that the Police have been overzealous in some areas but he has addressed these issues with them.

**Refreshing of Parks in Lower Jamestown.**

The Roads Section has refreshed parking lines in the Grand Parade and will soon be moving up Main Street. The Chairman asked for an extra park to be demarcated outside the entrance to the PWD Yard, outside Mantis and to define a disabled park outside Castle Gardens Gate.

**Action: Roads Inspector**

**Request from SHAPE.**

SHAPE will be hosting an event on Tuesday 3rd December 2019 to celebrate International Day for Persons with Disabilities. The theme of the event is "The Future is Accessible".

The plan is to invite relevant agencies, a few students from each school, parents of trainees and clients and members of the public to participate in a walk from the Barracks Square to the Mule Yard. The relevant slogans and banners will be displayed and the event will end at the Mule Yard at approximately 15h00.

Members gave their approval and advised that SHAPE liaise with the Safety Advisory Group (SAG).

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

The date for the next meeting of the Highway Authority has to be confirmed.

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