

Sproston Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held 6th March 2017

Present : Cllr.J. McKechnie, Cllr.J. Sheldon, Cllr. J Norbury, Cllr.C Sherwin Cllr. S Percival.
Alan Hartopp (Clerk)

Apologies : Andrew Ramshall, Adam Kepple Garner.

Minutes of previous meeting were agreed and signed.

Matters arising : A.H. informed the meeting Air quality monitoring of the A54 is only done every two years Cllr. McKechnie stated he would like an up to date assessment of the air quality on this very busy road, all agreed. Action A.H.

A.H. Informed the meeting that following his email to Cheshire Highways regarding the omission of the yellow backing plate surrounding the 40MPH sign on the A54 east bound entering the village, the cost of reinstating this would be £500. It was agreed by members to challenge this as the original sign had a backing plate that we would like found and reinstated at no charge. Action A.H.

During the meeting A.H. Received a text from Mr. Kepple Garner, (web site designer) stating he would not be able to make the meeting as arranged as he had a severe migraine.

As council wanted to discuss the improvements to our existing website as soon as possible to comply with the Transparency Code another meeting was agreed, possible dates being 28th 29th March. Action A.H.

A discussion then took place on Highway matters that need immediate attention.

- 1/ No road markings on the A54 East bound showing the 40mph speed restriction.
- 2/ The new 50 mph sign at the Salt Celler is still obscured, bushes need trimming or sign raised.
- 3/ Last 50mph sign East bound has fallen to an angle caused by the last gale force winds.
- 4/ Recent surface repair on the West bound carriageway at Manor Farm is breaking up
- 5/ A54 manhole has dropped and now loose ie clanks when vehicles go over it, this is situated on West bound carriageway outside J & J Discount garage
- 6/ Council would also like a vehicle count and speed analysis placed on the A54 through the village, or at least the results from the last count. All letters to be copied to councillors before sending. Action A.H.

A.H. Asked the meeting if the village noticeboard was in the best position. A general discussion ensued regarding the notice board and its accessibility to the public, it was agreed to give this matter some consideration.

Councillors reports : Cllr.J. McKechnie would like Ward Councillor Mark Stocks to attend our A.G.M on the 8th May.

A.H. Asked the meeting if we could move the scheduled date of our July meeting from the 10th to the 3rd July. All agreed to this.

Meeting closed 20.15

Next meeting TBA.

Signed _____

Date _____

Seconded _____