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Minutes of the Highways Meeting held on the 24th of April 2024

Attendees: Nick Colton (Neighbourhood Highways Officer), Cllr Carson (South Hams District Council), Cllr Edwards, James Friend (Contractor), Cllr Kenny, Cllr Nix (South Hams District Council), Cllr Truscott. Anne Towill (Clerk) – for part of meeting.

Minutes recorded by Cllr Edwards and the Clerk.

1. *Apologies*
Cllr Drought
2. *Minutes of Last Meeting*
These were agreed as a true record of the last meeting.
3. *Traine Road*
Nick Colton explained that the current access sign is in the best position. He will try to obtain data to consider further action.
4. *Odd Wheel Patrons Parking*
This was related to the dangerous and problematic parking by pub users at a recent event that was held. It was agreed that the issue should be taken back to Wembury Parish Council for further discussion. It was asked that people report issues to Highways as well as the police if dangerous.
5. *Pot Holes*
There was extensive discussions around this recurring problem and it was agreed that as well as encouraging people to report potholes, the idea of a Community Road Warden scheme should be put on the May council agenda. Chapter 8 training will need to be undertaken by key people.
6. *Heybrook Bay Road Surface*
Nick agrees that the surfacing needs to be done but due to funding, he doubts it will be actioned until the 2027/28 financial year. Cllr Nix said that white lines have been completed on this road.
7. *Temporary Traffic Lights on S Bend between Knighton and Church Road*
Cllr Edwards thought that temporary traffic light may be needed on the above section of road during the Mewstone Avenue resurfacing to prevent gridlock. Nick explained that there was no place available for traffic stacking to occur and so it would not be practical.
8. *Chevrons on Bend at the Top of Knighton Road*
The 'No Through Road' sign will be tried first to see if this alleviates the problem. If not, a single chevron could be considered (there is not enough space for more).
9. *Heybrook Bay Culvert Bridge*

Cllr Nix advised that the problem surrounding the culvert bridge was being temporarily eased by the placement of a metal plate which is being carried out by the Public Rights of Way Officer. Ownership of, and responsibility for the bridge was discussed and more investigations will be carried out to ascertain ownership.

10. *Temporary Signage.*

This issue requires further clarification before it can be discussed.

11. *Wembury Point Flooding – long term measures.*

The gullies were buried and hidden and cattle being moved from one side of the road to the other also caused clogging and destruction of gullies. The gullies have now been cleared and the exit route for them established. Nick will make sure they are maintained, and the exit point made more long term. James will keep an eye on the situation and report to Highways any issues or deal with minor issues himself. If this is not enough, then the need to possibly dig trenches in landowners field may need to be looked at again.

12. *Any Other Matters*

James felt that double yellow lines on Ford Road were needed as poor parking could cause problems for emergency vehicles. Nick explained that this was a controversial issue that would be unlikely to be agreed. It was suggested that double yellow lines in Heybrook Bay would be helpful but this is something to look at in more details. A 20mph advisory for the whole of Gabber Lane and Bovisand Lane was also suggested.

13. *Date of Next Meeting*

This will happen in July with a date to be announced.

Anne Towill

Clerk to the Council
(Written from notes supplied by Cllr Edwards and the Clerk)