



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD  
ON TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020 at 7.30pm by VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**Present:** Cllrs Morris (KM)(Chairman), Rathbone (TR)(Vice-Chairman), Beckham (NB), O'Donoghue (IO'D), Ross (CR), Sulej (JS) and Williams (EW).

**In attendance:** Sharon Jones, Clerk to the Council and Cllr A Kolker, CEC and two members of the public.

**09.20.1. Declaration of Interests:** There were no Declarations of Interests made.

**2. Apologies for absence:** Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Cllrs Lord, Morgan and Roberts.

**3. Minutes:** To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

**Motion 1 - Resolved:** *The Parish Council accepts the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2020 as a true record of the meeting.*

**4. Cheshire East Council Matters:** To receive a report on Cheshire East Council Matters. To deal with any questions by Members relating to the report and any questions by Members notified in advance to the Chairman and the CE Councillor.

Cllr Kolker reported back on the following issues:

**COVID-19** – Cllr Kolker indicated that most of CEC current concerns are with response to COVID-19. He asked that residents abide by social distancing, and the wearing of masks in shops to avoid lockdown in this area, indicated that everyone needs to do their very best to limit the outbreak.

**Leisure Centres** - The leisure centres are now open, including swimming pools. Residents must book online in advance.

**Waste Site** – AK and Cllr Gilbert have been liaising with CEC Planning regarding the Waste Site, which is due to be considered by the Strategic Planning Board (SPB) on 14<sup>th</sup> October. He indicated that Planning had received response or sorts from the Environment Agency (EA). AK has also received an explanation from Planning to say that the consideration of the application at the SPB is not dependent on a response from the EA.

Cllr Kolker indicated that he would be speaking at the SPB and also confirmed that he (and another councillor to be confirmed) would speak at the SPB meeting on behalf of the Parish Council. KM also confirmed that the Cllr Morgan and the Clerk would represent the Parish Council at the site visit but was currently awaiting a response from Peak Associates regarding the date.

KM also mentioned that the Environment Agency has informed the Council, that they sent a response to CEC Planning last year regarding the Waste Site, and they were not aware any further information was required.

**Action:** Clerk to notify AK of the dates given to Peak Associates for the Waste Site Visit.

**5. Committee Matters:** To receive reports from the Parish Council Committees (all minutes are available at <http://goostrey.info> under the Parish Council Documents menu item.

i. **VHMC Meeting – 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020** – Cllr Beckham summarised the minutes and proposed the following motions.

- o **Motion 2 - Resolved:** *Despite the considerable efforts and hard work put in by the VHMC to re-open the Village Hall the Parish Council accepts the recommendation from the VHMC not to re-open the Village Hall at present. However, the VHMC will*

meet again on 3<sup>rd</sup> November to reconsider re-opening the Village Hall in mid-January 2021 subject to Government Guidelines.

- **Motion 3 - Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolves to allow the School to use the Hall (as previously outlined) until the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2020, with the exception that it can be used by the Parish Council subject to 1 weeks' notice, during the hours laid out in the Joint Use Agreement.*

ii. **Amenities Committee – Senior's Lunch**

- **Motion 4 - Resolved:** *In view of the Corona Virus issues, the Parish Council resolved that the 2020 Seniors Lunch in its usual format will be cancelled and the Amenities Committee is asked to consider if any alternative event is feasible and to report back to the Council at the October meeting.*

6. **Planning Matters:** KM delivered a report from the Planning Committee Meetings on 4<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 (minutes are available at <https://goostrey.info> ).

- i. Government Planning Proposals – To consider sending a response (see Appendix 09/20).
  - **Motion 5:** *The Parish Council resolved to approve sending the draft response to the Government Planning Proposals.*

**Action:** Clerk to submit the response on behalf of the Council.

7. **Financial Payments:** To approve payments in Schedules 08/20 & 09/20. Includes: Salaries & expenses (payment schedules are available at <https://goostrey.info> ).

- **Motion 6 - Resolved:** *The Parish Council approves the payments listed on Schedule 08/20.*
- **Motion 7 – Resolved:** *The Parish Council approves the payments listed on the Schedule 09/20.*

8. **Clerk's Report – including Actions from the Last Meeting and Correspondence received** See Appendix 09/20 item 09.20.08 Clerk's Report in Appendix 09/20.

9. **Highways & SpeedWatch** – To receive reports on any items of interest – TR & CR

- i. SpeedWatch Report September 2020 – TR drew members attention to the report provided (see Appendix 09/20) and indicated that SpeedWatch sessions were being held regularly.
- ii. Cheshire East Highways Communications re Complaint – To consider sending the draft letter to the CEC Contracts Officer (see Appendix 09/20).
  - **Motion 8 - Resolved:** *The Parish Council approves the draft letter to be sent to Cheshire East Highways in relation to the complaint.*
- iii. Goostrey Village Gates – TR referred to the report (see Appendix 09/20)
 

**Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved to inform Cheshire East Council (CEC) that it wishes ahead with the Village Gates project and that it is funded by CEC.*

**Action:** Clerk to write to CEC with the request.
- iv. Well Managed Highways Infrastructure Consultation – To agree a response including which roads need gritting and why. KM presented the proposed response in Appendix 09/20.
  - **Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved to submit the proposed response to the Consultation including Church Bank and Blackden Lane.*

TR reported that a resident on a mobility scooter had fallen from their scooter into the road and had sustained cuts and bruises on Main Road near the Bog Bean because the footway has been raised by tree roots. TR has reported this to CEC Highways. **Action:** Clerk to escalate the issue to our CEC Highways contact.

- 10. Police Matters** To inform the PC of any key recent developments and to answer Councillors' questions.
- i. Police and Crime Commissioner's meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2020 – TR referred councillors to the report in the document pack. **Action:** Clerk to chase response from the Cheshire Constabulary and CEC regarding the letter about average speed cameras.
  - ii. PCSO Changes - TR reported that PCSO Chesters would be starting her PC training at the end of September and PCSO Ade Chadwick would take her place as the Dane Valley Rural PCSO.  
**Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved to send a letter of thanks to PCSO Chesters for her support to Goostrey during her time as PCSO.*
- 11. Appointment of Chairman, Vice Chairman and Committees** – To consider the following motion.  
**Motion 9 – Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved that in view of the challenges brought about by the Corona virus pandemic, and the need to hold Committee budget meetings during October 2020 as well as the general smooth running of the Council the Members who currently occupy the positions of Parish Council Chair, Vice-Chair, Committee Chairs, Committee Vice-Chairs and Committee Members remain in those positions, until the new Council year starting in May 2021.*
- 12. Annual Plan** – To amend the "Ideas List" for the Annual Plan in the document pack and adopt the amended Plan.  
**Action:** Clerk to add the ideas list to the agenda of the meetings of all committees for consideration, and response by the December Parish Council meeting.  
**Motion 10:** Motion withdrawn.
- 13. Local Council Awards Scheme – Quality Award:**
- i. To consider adopting the updated policies listed in Appendix 09/20.  
**Motion 11 – Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolves to adopt the policies listed, including the agreed revisions.*
  - ii. To consider submitting the application for the LCAS Quality Award.  
**Motion 12 – Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved to submit the application for the LCAS Quality Award.*
- 14. Minor Items & Items for the Next Agenda:** To take any points from Members and to note urgent items of interest.
- i. To consider holding the October Meeting as a Hybrid Meeting.  
**Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved hold the October Parish Council by Zoom.*
  - ii. CR asked that the Parish Council re-confirm the status of the Bowling Hut replacement project with the VHPFF.
- 15. Date of Next Meeting:** To confirm the date of the next Meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

## PART TWO

### MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE ASKED TO RETIRE.

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as extended by the Local Government Act of 1972, the press and public are excluded from the meeting for the discussion of the undermentioned items on the grounds that the publication of the matters would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

**Items for discussion:****16. Communications Policy Matters**

**Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved to accept the motion proposed by the Chairman, the detail of which is contained in the Confidential Report of the Meeting dated 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020.*

**17. Closure of Meeting:** The Chairman closed the meeting at 22:10.

**Public Session**

Resident reported on current actions at the Station by FOGS – FOGS have requested that the waiting room be looked at. However, after looking at it, Northern Rail informed FOGS there is no money to spend on any works.

FOGS will have their own social networking channel very shortly,

It is difficult to run the action days with only 6 people allowed on the station at one time.

Cllr Roberts has secured a grant from DPD for £1700 to install the bike rack and is perusing further funding to install it, as Northern Rail are no longer able to fund the installation.

The drainage is still an issue and the lack of toilets and this continues to be investigated.

*Minutes of the meeting remain draft until approved at the next meeting of the Council.*

## APPENDIX 09/20

### ITEM 09.20.06. - PLANNING MATTERS – i) GOVERNMENT PLANNING PROPOSALS

Planning for the Future – White Paper Consultation (August 2020)

Response from Goostrey Parish Council, Village Hall, Main Road, Goostrey, Cheshire CW4 8PE

**Proposal 5: Areas identified as Growth areas (suitable for substantial development) would automatically be granted outline planning permission for the principle of development, while automatic approvals would also be available for pre-established development types in other areas suitable for building.**

#### Questions

9(a). Do you agree that there should be automatic outline permission for areas for substantial development (*Growth areas*) with faster routes for detailed consent?

[Yes / No / Not sure. Please provide supporting statement.]

9(b). Do you agree with our proposals above for the consent arrangements for *Renewal and Protected areas*?

[Yes / No / Not sure. Please provide supporting statement.]

9(c). Do you think there is a case for allowing new settlements to be brought forward under the *Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects regime*?

[Yes / No / Not sure. Please provide supporting statement.]

9(a) 9(b) Answer: No. We do not agree that “automatic” outline permission should be granted in any area without considering the details of individual applications. This is because the impact of an individual application may be very significant and not controllable by ‘Conditions’ applied after the outline permission has been granted.

To illustrate our response, we refer to the world-famous Jodrell Bank Lovell Radio Telescope which is one of the largest of its type in the world, together with other radio telescopes on the same site. It has been some in a number of appeals that housing developments proposed in the surrounding area would deleteriously affect the operational capability of the international research work (due to electromagnetic emissions from households) whilst other developments may not. The impact depends on the number of houses, their height, their orientation, the terrain (elevation, clutter between the housing and the telescope), whether industrial units are included and other factors. ‘Conditions’ such as the application of shielding into house walls is not effective for many cases. An “automatic” approval for outline permission in a broad zone would not be able to take these factors into account and the effects could not subsequently be remediated.

As an example, we refer to appeal number APP/R0660/W/15/3129954 for 119 dwellings in Goostrey, which was dismissed by the Secretary of State in 2015. In his dismissal the SoS wrote that “Jodrell Bank Observatory [JBO] as an established world class facility should be afforded reasonable protection and

considers that this proposal could damage the world class work being carried out by the observatory.” In 2019 Jodrell Bank was awarded UNESCO World Heritage Site status due to its Outstanding Universal Value. The UNESCO listing includes the fact that JBO is still at the cutting-edge of international astrophysics research. It is a significant contributor to the local economy and to the UK’s scientific prestige.

This point was raised by Goostrey Parish Council at the NALC organised Zoom conference with the MHCLG on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020 and we would agree with the thoughts of Andrew Short that some type of exclusion area should apply to assets like JBO, and/or especially in rural areas that the full planning permission process is required with no ‘automatic’ approval.

**Proposal 9: Neighbourhood Plans should be retained as an important means of community input, and we will support communities to make better use of digital tools**

**Questions**

**13(a). Do you agree that Neighbourhood Plans should be retained in the reformed planning system?**

**[Yes / No / Not sure. Please provide supporting statement.]**

**13(b). How can the neighbourhood planning process be developed to meet our objectives, such as in the use of digital tools and reflecting community preferences about design?**

13 (a) Yes. At present the Neighbourhood Plan plays an important role in allowing both outline and detailed planning applications to be considered against policies which have been agreed by a majority of local people through a referendum (and tested by an independent professional examiner). We are concerned that if automatic permissions are granted as in proposal 5 above, then the democratic process that currently allows local people to shape their communities and environments will be overridden. Local design, green spaces, density, village character (including local heritage), impact on Jodrell Bank are some of the specific considerations that are unique to our village and parish (Goostrey) and could not be generalised at national level for the whole of England and potentially not even at Local Borough Level. Therefore, we wish to see Neighbourhood Plan Policies retained and applied to both outline and detailed planning permissions, especially for rural areas.

13(b) We agree that Neighbourhood Plans should be digitised and include community preferences about design.

**Proposal 14: We intend to introduce a fast-track for beauty through changes to national policy and legislation, to incentivise and accelerate high quality development which reflects local character and preferences.**

## Question

20. Do you agree with our proposals for implementing a fast-track for beauty?

[Yes / No / Not sure. Please provide supporting statement.]

20. No. Although we do agree that 'beauty' is desirable in all developments, we submit that this is only one consideration in granting planning permission, and, as in the above examples, it should not override (by fast-track) other issues (for example, as above, degradation of the ability of a major scientific institution such as Jodrell Bank to carry out their work). We would also make the point that 'beauty' is a very subjective matter and does not provide a sound basis for bypassing a more rigorous assessment of impact.

### **ITEM 09.20.08. - CLERK'S REPORT**

#### **Actions from Last Meeting**

- a. Clerk to send the AGAR and all required documentation to the External Auditor before the end of August 2020. Completed
- b. Clerk to put up the notice for the excise of electors' rights once the AGAR is submitted. Completed.
- c. Clerk would contact the councillors on 7<sup>th</sup> September to ask if they would be willing to attend a face to face meeting. Completed.

#### **Correspondence**

- a. National Association of Local Councils REBUILDING COMMUNITIES 11/08/2020 68 KB
- b. admin@northwichtowncouncil.gov.uk Benches 11/08/2020 1 MB
- c. Chalc Highways issues 12/08/2020 13 KB
- d. CEC Highways [OFFICIAL] Goostrey Village Gates 14/08/2020 2 MB
- e. Macclesfield AHG FW: Parish to add to AHG attendee list 14/08/2020 64 KB
- f. United Utilities reservoir safety campaign - competition for young people 14/08/2020 6 MB
- g. Resident re: Street lights in Goostrey 16/08/2020 **Action:** Clerk to write to resident indicating the reasons for LED lighting being selected and that they need to progress with Cheshire West & Chester as the area referred to is not in Goostrey.
- h. Network Rail Complaint - Goostrey Station – Hazard for Passengers and Pedestrians Crossing Line Using Station Road Over-Bridge [Incident: 200731-000275] 17/08/2020 24 KB
- i. PRS Music Licence RE: TheMusicLicence - Account Renewal Due 19/08/2020 147 KB
- j. Resident Shooting on land between Twemlow and Goostrey 20/08/2020 – **Action:** Clerk to contact the PCSO and to indicate to the resident they should contact CEC Environmental Health.
- k. Highways Stage 2 Complaint Case (ref: 8434582) 21/08/2020 166 KB
- l. BRATES EAST -Business Grant - New Village Hall, Main Road, Goostrey, 25/08/2020 67 KB
- m. Chalc Clerk's 20-21 pay settlement 27/08/2020 301 KB
- n. Love Goostrey Rudheath Lodge Sand Quarry Info 28/08/2020 5 KB
- o. CEC Highways RE: Waste Skip on New Platt Lane - Report Log number 3404073 28/08/2020 34 KB
- p. GILBERT, Les (Councillor) RE: Macclesfield AHG 01/09/2020 159 KB
- q. Information Commissioner's Office Data Protection fee - renewal ICO:00014653577 06/09 267 KB
- r. Peak RE: A M Skip Hire Ltd. Brookbank Farm Invitation Thu 10/09 43 KB
- s. PCSO Update ~[OFFICIAL]~ Fri 11/09 13 KB
- t. CEC Well Managed Highway Infrastructure Streamlined Consultation - Winter Service 11/09 213 KB
- u. Resident The Bongs Sat 12/09 7 KB

**ITEM 09.20.09. - HIGHWAYS AND SPEEDWATCH****i) SpeedWatch Report****GOOSTREY PARISH COUNCIL SPEEDWATCH REPORT 17/07/2020 – 08/09/2020**

DATE & TIME	LOCATION	LOW SPEED MPH	TOP SPEED MPH	NUMBER OF VEHICLES LOGGED	TOTAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES PASSING
14/07/2020 17.00 – 17.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	49	8	114
17/07/2020 08.30 – 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	39	6	161
20/07/2020 08.30 – 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	38	3	139
22/07/2020 17.25 – 18.25	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	-	0	133
24/07/2020 08.30 – 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	47	3	159
27/07/2020 08.30 – 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	37	2	143
29/07/2020 08.30 – 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	43	2	132
31/07/2020 08.30 – 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	37	2	125
03/08/2020 08.30 – 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	36	1	131
04/08/2020 08.30 – 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	35	2	158
07/08/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	40	6	162
10/08/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	38	3	106
12/08/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	39	3	160
14/08/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	40	4	124
19/08/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	37	2	157
21/08/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	38	3	126
01/09/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	40	8	143
01/09/2020 16.45 – 17.45	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	43	6	165
02/09/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	37	3	154
04/09/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	40	8	153
07/09/2020 08.30 - 09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	35	1	227
				76	3072

Report to Parish Council September 2020

**Speedwatch Activity Summary GPC Current Year To-date**

Speedwatch sessions continue to be held using the revised procedures to comply with Corona protection requirements. Since the beginning of the Council year in April 2020 thirty-two sessions have been held. A total of 4870 vehicles have been monitored with 96 vehicles logged at 35mph and above. The maximum speed monitored is 47 mph (highest speed in this report period 47 mph). In this report period 1.56% of the vehicles monitored were travelling at 35mph and above. The comparative figures for 2019 and 2018 were 7.55% and 3.1% respectively.

**ii) Cheshire East Highways Communications re Complaint – Letter to be sent to the CEC Contracts Officer**

Dear Madam/Sir,

Goostrey Parish Council wish to raise a concern with you about Cheshire East Council’s contract with Ringway Jacobs.

We recently raised a complaint (number 8434582) with Cheshire East Highways (aka Ringway Jacobs) regarding poor communications about the progress of both projects and services. We provided several detailed examples. In one case, a project which had been under investigation for several years was abandoned, but we were not informed of this for more than 12 months. E-mails are often unanswered and the on-line ‘Report-IT’ system is not updated with progress. This causes us much difficulty in managing the expectations of our residents

The answers to our complaint, from Ringway Jacobs, make it clear that there is no contractual obligation for that organisation to provide updates or respond in any defined timescale on any type of work.

Ian McLellan’s response to the Stage 2 complaint dated 21<sup>st</sup> August 2020, states that:

“Cheshire East Council does not have a service level agreement in place for responding to emails”

“Given the high volumes of enquiries it is not practical for our officers to return all of the calls and emails they receive”



“Regrettably due to the high volume of correspondence received it is not always possible to respond to all enquiries regarding ongoing schemes”

Whilst it is accepted that Ringway Jacobs express a ‘best endeavours’ approach, it is our experience that without any contractual obligation, communications are given a very low priority by Ringway Jacobs employees, whereas in our opinion this is an important part of the overall service.

We have discussed this with our Dane Ward Councillors, and they say that they are equally frustrated and have the same difficulty in getting responses from Ringway Jacobs. Furthermore, they have encouraged us to raise this matter with you.

We would like to request that when the Ringway Jacobs contract is reviewed, or renewed, there is some type of obligation included in the contract which would increase the motivation of the contractor to improve on communications.

As an additional point it seems surprising to us that a formal complaint about one of Cheshire East Council’s contractors would be investigated at both stage 1 and stage 2 by the contractor themselves! We are aware that it has been agreed that Ringway Jacobs should use Cheshire East Council branding, but surely there is an obvious conflict of interests and it is unlikely that the contractor is going to take any action to resolve complaints that would cost the contractor any money (eg by doing things differently). In the case of our complaint, no corrective actions are proposed at all, presumably because of the lack of service level agreement mentioned in Ian McLellan’s response.

We look forward to your response.

Yours Sincerely

iii) **Goostrey Village Gates** – Report to the council by Cllr Rathbone

### **GOOSTREY PARISH COUNCIL INVESTIGATION IN TO PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF VILLAGE GATES – REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2020 COUNCIL MEETING**

1. In an e-mail dated 14/08/20 Cheshire East Council Highways has provided a copy of the Report “Goostrey Village Area - Feasibility of Introduction of Village Gates” dated 29/07/20. The report, prepared by Ringway Jacobs, details the findings of a professional investigation in to the installation of Gates at (i) the locations of existing 30mph terminal signs on the approach roads to Goostrey and (ii) Possible incorporation of Gates at the locations of the existing Goostrey boundary signs. The report also considers the provision of enhanced road markings.
2. The variable widths of verge available at the individual locations and the presence or absence of other issues such as visibility considerations mean that it is not possible to consider a single solution with a distinctive “Goostrey” identity for all locations. However, the proposals scheduled below and tailored to the specific 30mph terminal sign locations are, from experiences of highways engineers elsewhere, expected to make a positive contribution to speed reduction and are therefore believed to be a worthwhile investment pending the possible installation of much more costly average speed cameras for which the PC is in protracted correspondence with CEC and the Police.
3. For Enhancements at the locations of the existing Boundary Signs Ringway Jacobs advise that the use of single style of narrow gate which would necessitate the purchase of new boundary signs and therefore the scrapping of the existing signs which are only about 3 years old. This recommendation is to provide consistency and preserve the identity of Goostrey as provided by the existing boundary signs. It is proposed that the boundary signs should remain as existing and to concentrate on enhancement of the terminal 30mph sign locations and review boundary signs at their next renewal, which will be a long time off. Ringway Jacobs suggest the installation of dragons teeth road markings on the approach to the terminal signs together with 30mph roundels where appropriate. It is proposed that markings should be restricted to provision of 30mph roundels only to avoid undue urbanisation

## **4. OPTIONS**

### **30mph terminal sign locations**

Below is a summary of the signing and road marking options that could be considered at each of these locations;

#### Location 1 Goostrey Lane (South of Railway Bridge)

- Install either a 960mm or 1500mm wide village gate on the right hand side.

#### Location 2 Blackden Lane

- Install new 30mph terminal signs with yellow backing boards.
- Install a 30mph roundel road marking adjacent to the terminal signs.

#### Location 3 Hermitage Lane

- Install new 30mph terminal signs with yellow backing boards.
- Replace the 'SLOW' road marking with a 30mph roundel road marking.
- Install a 960mm wide village gate on the left hand side.

#### Location 4 Goostrey Lane (West of New Platt Lane)

- Install dragons teeth road markings on the approach to the terminal signs.

#### Location 5 New Platt Lane

- Install a 30mph roundel road marking adjacent to the terminal signs.
- Install dragons teeth road markings on the approach to the terminal signs.
- Install a 960mm wide village gate on the right hand side.

#### Location 6 Booth Bed Lane

- Install new 30mph terminal signs with yellow backing boards.
- Install a 30mph roundel road marking adjacent to the terminal signs.
- Install a 960mm wide village gates on both sides of the road.

### **Parish boundary sign locations**

Below is a summary of the signing options that could be considered at each of these locations.

#### Location 1 Goostrey Lane (South of Railway Bridge)

- Install new sign assembly to option 2 with village gate style posts and incorporating Parish Boundary signs (back to back in this location).

#### Location 2 Hermitage Lane

- Install new sign assembly to option 2 with village gate style posts and incorporating Parish Boundary sign.

#### Location 3 Goostrey Lane (West of New Platt Lane)

- Install new sign assembly to option 2 with village gate style posts and incorporating Parish Boundary sign.

#### Location 4 New Platt Lane

- Install new sign assembly to option 2 with village gate style posts and incorporating Parish Boundary sign.

#### Location 5 Booth Bed Lane

- Install new sign assembly to option 2 with village gate style posts and incorporating Parish Boundary signs.

#### Location 6 Blackden Lane

- No options available in this location due to lack of verge width.

## **5. SUMMARY RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS REQUIRED:**

1. Place gates, where physically possible, at the entry 30mph signs, rather than at the Goostrey village signs.
2. Upgrade the entry 30mph signs to new ones with a yellow backing board
3. Add 30mph roundel road markings (replacing 'slow' in one place)
4. Do not add 'dragon's teeth' road markings due to urbanisation
5. Obtain estimates of cost for the above

- iv) **Well Managed Highways Consultation Response** – The following response was sent by the Parish Council.

**Well Managed Highway Infrastructure Winter Service Further Streamlined Consultation.**

Please use the form below to make your response to the Well Managed Highway Infrastructure Further Winter Streamlined Consultation.

Please refer to the approved criteria highlighted in the Defining Winter Treatment Routes – Methodology which can be found via the below link:

<https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/pdf/highways/well-managed-highway-infrastructure/winter-route-scoring-matrix.pdf>

<b>Name of individual/organisation</b>	<b>Goostrey Parish Council</b>
<b>Contact email address</b>	<b>parishcouncil@goostrey.info</b>
<b>Area Highway Group</b>	<b>Congleton</b>
<b>Road suggested for inclusion or removal</b>	<b>Church Bank and Blackden Lane/Bomish Lane, Goostrey</b>
<b>Evidence to support the above suggestion</b>	<p><b>CEC are proposing to remove the above route from the gritting schedule. Goostrey Parish Council submit that it should not be removed for the following reasons:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Church Bank and Blackden Lane are both steep roads (due to the decline down to Red Lion Brook).</b></li> <li><b>2. Blackden Lane is very narrow in places (down to 3.6 metres)</b></li> <li><b>3. There is a natural spring in the banks of Blackden Lane which causes water to run down the road especially in wet weather.</b></li> <li><b>4. There is a waste skip and recycle site operating on Bridge Lane which uses this route for fully loaded skip and HGV lorries on a daily basis.</b></li> <li><b>5. The route is used by Network rail/Northern for coaches coming and going to Chelford Railway station when the railway is closed for maintenance, repairs etc.</b></li> <li><b>6. The route is used by commuters/employees as well as visitors to Jodrell Bank and the newly opened SKA International Headquarters both of which have access from Bomish Lane.</b></li> <li><b>7. The route is used by traffic going to/from Goostrey Primary School, including pedestrians from homes on Blackden Lane.</b></li> <li><b>8. There have been several crashes on Blackden Lane on Blackden Lane in the last 12 months.</b></li> </ol>
<b>General Comments on the Winter Gritting Policy</b>	<p><b>We also note that there is a new Sibelco quarry opened on New Platt Lane which will have 65 HGV lorry movements per day for the next 12 years. There is also a new estate (Blackberry Gardens) with access off New Platt Lane.</b></p> <p><b>New Platt Lane has a dangerous junction with the A50 at one end and restricted visibility at the Goostrey end where it joins Goostrey Lane.</b></p> <p><b>It has been suggested to Cheshire West that they grit the half of New Platt Lane that belongs to them and we submit that Cheshire East to grit the rest of New Platt Lane in the Cheshire East domain.</b></p>

It would help us to check that we are providing services fairly if you would complete the above form. Information you give will be used to see if there are any differences in views for different groups of people, and to check if services are being delivered in a fair and accessible way. The information in this section will be used for no other purpose

We comply with all laws concerning the protection of personal information, including the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Any personal information you supply will remain strictly confidential and anonymous and will be held and used in line with the Data Protection Act 2018. The information you provide will only be used by Cheshire East Council to analyse the results of surveys and inform decision making. We will not pass on your personal information to any other third parties, without your prior consent. Your response will be stored and kept in line with the council's retention schedule. To find out how we use your information see our [privacy policy](#).

### **ITEM 09.20.13. - LOCAL COUNCIL AWARDS SCHEME – QUALITY AWARD**

**i) Adopted Policies** – The following is the list of policies adopted by the Parish Council at the meeting.

#### *Updated/New Policies*

- Complaints Procedure - this has no review date and pre-dates all other policies. Suggest adopting the Holmes Chapel Policy shown on page 31. New review date set to March 2022.
- Data Protection Policy - review date February 2018 – This policy is out of date. We now have a Privacy Statement on the web site which should also appear in the list of policies and a short Data Protection Policy (we have used the policy from Holmes Chapel). The two new policies are listed on page 35. The new review date for both policies is February 2022.
- Publication Scheme - review date November 2018 – Adopt the ISO model publication scheme and link this to the new publication scheme on the website as Holmes Chapel have done (see new policy listed on page 37). New review date set to October 2022
- Training Policy - review date January 2021. Reviewed and updated by the Clerk. Currently only the Clerk is taking training, councillors should be encouraged to take training courses as this may be an issue attaining the Quality Award (see new policy listed on page 39). New review date set to January 2022.
- Councillor Vacancies and Co-options Policy - review date November 2020 - KM reviewed and link to councillor eligibility criteria added (see new policy listed on page 41). Review date set to November 2022.
- Privacy notice - Created in July 2018. Reviewed by the Clerk no changes required. New Review date set to July 2021. The new policy document will be kept on the policies page and linked from the main menu of the web site (see new policy listed on page 44).
- CCTV Policy - a draft has been prepared by the Clerk for adoption. It is based on similar policy for a Village Hall (see new policy listed on page 49). Review date set for July 2021.
- Communications Policy – this still needs work and the council could consider combining it with community engagement policy as Knutsford Town Council has done recently. This could be prepared and reviewed at the October 2020 meeting.

### *Policies with New Review Dates*

- Risk Management Policy – Reviewed in April each year at the Finance Committee Meeting. No change required. New review date set to April 2021.
- Risk register - review date October 2020 - No action as will be reviewed at Finance Committee and updated accordingly. No change required. New review date set to October 2021
- Health & Safety Policy - review date September 2020 – No change required. New review date set to September 2022
- Environmental Policy - review date December 2019 – Reviewed by Cllr Morgan. No change required. New review date set to December 2021.
- Grant Awarding Policy - review date February 2020 – Reviewed by the Clerk. No change required. New review date set to February 2022.
- Equality and Diversity Policy - review date April 2020 – Reviewed by the Clerk. No change required. New review date set to April 2022.
- Staff Performance Review Policy - January 2021 – No change required.