BEECH ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP

MINUTES OF MEETING 22.02 HELD ON 19 JAN 2022

1. Attendees:

- Charles Cockburn (CC)
- Ian Gibson (IG)
- Graham Webb (GW)
- Malcolm Ward-Close (MWC)
- 2. Apologies for absence: None
- 3. Approve minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes 22.01, 3 Jan 2022 were approved.
- 4. Declaration of interest: (in accordance with the National Association of Local Councils Model Code of Conduct adopted July 2018) Councillors and Working Group members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest which they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when that item is reached. Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on, or discharge any function related to any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest as defined by regulations made by the Secretary of State under the Localism Act 2011. You must withdraw from the room or chamber when the meeting discusses and votes on the matter.

No interests were declarable.

5. EHDC Strategic CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) Fund

GW reported on communications with Ian Janes, HCC.

- Ian Janes is supportive of our application to EHDC for CIL funding and is content for us to list HCC as a partner in the proposed CIL project. The expectation is that HCC will provide technical and implementation support via their Strategic Transport Team (STT) but will not be able to contribute capital funding. HCC involvement will be provided under two different schemes, the Community Funded Initiative (CFI) for the on-road footway section, and the Community Funded Highway Infrastructure Initiative (CFHI) for the off-road footways, under which the County Council can provide support in kind for local improvement projects.
- He confirmed that having a technical partner increases our chances of a successful CIL application.

ACTION: ALL, it is agreed that, due to the short timescale, the CIL grant application is the top priority for BRSWG until the application is submitted. If the application is successful there will be a requirement to adjust priorities and timescales to accommodate the CIL project in our overall footways plan.

The next steps for the CIL grant application are:

- 1. The outline design and costing of the on-road footway, via Ian Janes.
- 2. Ian Janes to introduce us to the STT with a view to a site visit by them.
- 3. Investigate a grant from HCC's Parish & Town Council Investment Fund (with the support of Mark Kemp-Gee).
- 4. Consult STT on up-grade of existing off-road footway at bottom of Medstead Road.

ACTION: GW to take the lead in coordinating the preparation our application for a CIL grant and ensuring that it is submitted to EHDC on time, with support from **ALL** group members.

ACTION: IG to continue working with with HH and Ian Janes on our overall Footways scheme. with support from **ALL** group members.

Date of next meeting: TBD

Malcolm Ward-Close 24 Jan 2022