

# MATHS

## Minutes of August 5, 2014 meeting Held 7.30pm at the Village Hall

### 1 No Apologies

Present: Richard Parish, Jean-Pierre Brun, Lawrence Ashbridge, Chris Smith, William Hollington, Chris Bashford and Carolyn Lister.

### 2 Minutes & Actions from last meeting

The minutes were agreed .

**Action:** Richard to contact Max Hill to obtain his bullet points - Done

**Action:** Richard to contact Selena to confirm his requirement to speak. Also check if appropriate for Max Hill or should the school concerns be covered by Richard. – Done  
Confirmed that only in exceptional circumstances would another individual be able to speak. Richard will include Max's comments.

**Action:** Carolyn to approach William Hollington and invite him to join the team. - Done

**Action:** Carolyn to generate a contact list, Richard to add other key contacts to this - ongoing

**Action:** Lawrie & Chris B to identify specific houses affected by poor water pressure and drainage - Done

**Action:** Richard to check on figures for diesel particulates and associated health issues - Done. Richard has spoken to DEFRA, Air Quality England and others. There is no evidence based figures for the spread of diesel particulates. Richard has contacted the Director of Public Health, Muriel Scott, shared between Bedford Borough and Central Beds, but as yet has had no reply. Richard has had a discussion with Public Health England who confirmed there are no clear figures re particulate spread as a lot depends on circumstances.

**Action :** Chris B to confirm traffic figures – Done. Chris provided a written summary and will send an electronic copy to Carolyn. Previous figures showed more traffic on the A603 than the A421, however, recent figures concur with the DfT figures showing a 2:1 ratio with more traffic on the A421. Chris commented that he had taken noise level readings which showed road noise as 98db at 8 metres. Noise from the Guinea was 50db at 8 metres. Richard to check workplace figures.

**Action:** ALL to confirm number of current infill sites local to them in the last 5 years - Done

**Action :** ALL to confirm number of possible infill sites local to them - Done

**Action:** Carolyn to provide Department for Transport figures – Done

**Action:** Richard to clarify Highways Agency vs Highways Authority – Done. The Highways Agency is an executive agency for the DfT and is strategic for the whole of England. Highways Authority is local CBC.

**Action:** Carolyn to research previous application for 2 detached properties facing Blunham Road – Done

**Action:** Carolyn to check what other applications will be discussed on August 27 - Done. So far we do not appear on the agenda. Carry action over.

### 3 Agree key points for sending to Amy Lack

Richard has spoken to Amy Lack and she is expecting a communication from the team early next week. Key headings, original planning documents, framework documents, poor infrastructure.

### 4 Next steps

**Action :** Chris B to provide an electronic copy of his summary to Carolyn

**Action:** Carolyn to generate a contact list, Richard to add other key contacts to this

**Action :** Richard to check workplace figures for db levels.

**Action :** Chris B to provide a spreadsheet of traffic speeds along the A603.

**Action:** Carolyn to prepare and organise leaflet drop. Collate feedback from residents (1- if they will attend, 2 – if they need transport, 3- can they provide transport for others). Agreed this will be a precis of the magazine copy.

**Action:** Carolyn to check what other applications will be discussed on August 27

**Action:** Richard and Carolyn to meet on Friday to pull together the communication for Amy Lack. This will be sent to the team but will not hold up its delivery.

**Action:** Chris Smith to investigate the justification for the A421 bypass

### 5 AOB

- Alistair Burt has confirmed his willingness to organise a meeting between Bedford Borough and Central Beds to discuss the issues of the A603
- Agreed that we would not involve the media at this stage, as we do not wish to be antagonistic. We are clear that we want to be part of the solution and not a stumbling block.
- A new sign has appeared at Girtford Bridge which appears to be a diversion sign (black triangle on an orange background).
- Gareth Hughes, Network Manager, is happy to be quoted that there was an expectation that the A603 would be redesignated once the A421 bypass was built.
- Confirmed that the first 3 years at the school are full.
- The team considered Mr Mooney's suggestion of MATHS, making it all add up. Whilst we all felt this to be a catchy byline there was concern that this was a change from what has already been sent out so the decision to stick with MATHS 'the sums don't add up' was unanimous.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday August 20, 7.30pm at 7 Blunham Road.**

