

HULLBRIDGE SUB-COMMITTEE – 9 April 2003

Minutes of the meeting of the **Hullbridge Sub-Committee** held on **9 April 2003** when there were present:-

Cllr Mrs R Brown (Chairman)

Cllr R A Amner
Cllr C R Morgan

Cllr M G B Starke
Cllr P K Savill

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Mrs W Stevenson	Hullbridge Parish Council
Cllr Mrs L Campbell-Daley	Hullbridge Parish Council
R Crofts	Corporate Director (Finance & External Services)

REPRESENTING HULLBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Cllr Mrs K Morgan

DISTRICT COUNCIL OFFICERS

D Timson	Property Maintenance & Highways Manager
M Martin	Committee Administrator

COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICER

L Harvey District Engineer, Transportation & Operational Services

13 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2003 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

14 UPDATE ON ISSUES RAISED AT LAST MEETING

The Property Maintenance & Highways Manager provided Members with an update of the following issues:

Kerbing Installation

Officers confirmed that the kerbing outside One Stop Shop had been re-measured and was found to be correct on the ground. The discrepancy had occurred due to an increase of 26.1 metres on the original estimate.

Litter Bins

Members noted that the cost of the Amberol Envirol Bin had been quoted as £120, this had provided for ballasting, which Officers advised would not be suitable. No other mention had been made of fixing costs. A large print run of the Council's crest had been done and these would be available at a cost of £2.20 each. The cost per bin including the crest, a fixing plate bolted to the ground and labour for fixing would be £197.20.

Members agreed that this bin was more attractive than the Swintex Copperfield and better for the purposes of the scheme.

Tree Pits

Members noted and agreed the cost of supplying a tree pit would be £800, as per the drawing circulated to Members. This would include a root ventilation and irrigation system to be installed as per manufacturer's instructions. A tree pit liner would provide a root barrier system to protect the forecourt from deforming due to roots. The planting area would be retained with tegula blocks.

Co-Op Wall and Bollards

Members noted copies of the correspondence that had been sent to the Chelmsford Star Co-Operative Society Ltd, which had included a copy of the quotation from the contractor. Two options had been provided regarding the wall, one to repair the ends, and provide and install the bollards, kerbing and tarmac works at a cost of £650. The second would also include demolishing the wall completely and rebuilding at a cost of £1400.

Members noted that the cost included steel bollards, which would be painted. It was agreed that plastic bollards would be the preferred option, as they would be easier to replace and more in keeping with the scheme. This would involve an additional cost of £70 for the two bollards. The Officer agreed to amend the costing issued to the Co-Operative Society and to report back to the next meeting on any response received from them.

Trees

The County Officer reported that the surface had been prepared in readiness for the tree planting. A supplier had been sourced for the variety Prunus Miyako. 3 trees had been ordered and delivery was awaited. All 3 would be planted at the appropriate times.

15 EXPENDITURE TO DATE – COUNTY HIGHWAYS

The County Officer reported that all work tickets had been checked and the Site Manager interrogated and a discrepancy had been discovered in that the cost of the paving slabs for both the Hockley and Hullbridge schemes had been added to the Hullbridge scheme. This resulted in a balance of £24,991 remaining to be spent for the Phase 2 scheme.

Members queried the Minute from the Environmental Services Committee held on 2 October 2002, when a maximum of a further £25,000 had been reallocated for use in Phase 2 of the Hullbridge scheme. Officers agreed to investigate and to update Members via a letter.

Phase 2

Members requested a comprehensive report be brought back to this Sub-Committee with detailed costings for the stretch from Allsorts to Unwins. Agreement had already been obtained from forecourt owners, who could now be contacted with regard to contributions towards trees and comments regarding preferred paving options. Members commented on the clutter of overhead cables in that area. The County Officer agreed to report back on whether they include electricity cables. A decision would need to be reached on what materials to choose for paving. This would be

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dependent on the budget available and the County Officer agreed to report back on the various options.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members agreed that the next meeting of the Sub-Committee would be held on Wednesday 21 May at the Civic Suite, Rayleigh, commencing at 10 am.

The meeting commenced at 10 am and closed at 10.45 am.

Chairman

Date