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**To Councillors:** Pam Birch, Simon Carswell, Peter Goater, Jean Howard, Terry Napper, Nina Swift and Laura Wolfers

Members are reminded of their duty under the Code of Conduct:  
The 7 principles of public life: Selflessness, Integrity, Objectivity, Accountability, Openness, Honesty, and Leadership.

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the **Highways Committee** to be held in Room 6, Crispin Community Centre, Leigh Road, Street at **3.30pm on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024**. The business to be transacted is set out in the agenda below.

*\*\*\* Members are reminded that the council has a general duty to consider the following matters in exercise of any of its functions: equal opportunities, crime and disorder, health and safety, human rights, and biodiversity. \*\*\**

Yours Sincerely,

*Jenny Service*

Clerk to Street Parish Council

Date: 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

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## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

*Before the Parish Council meeting begins there will be a public participation session.*

### 1. Public Question Time

Parishioners are invited to direct questions or comments to the Committee Chairman who will invite each person to speak for up to 3 minutes on any subject/s of concern. Please note that the Council is unable to make formal decisions under this item. Members of the public are requested to raise any matter during public question time as the rest of the meeting is not open to public participation (providing that prior notice has been given by noon on the day of the meeting to email: [dcro@street-pc.gov.uk](mailto:dcro@street-pc.gov.uk) or telephone: 01458 440588).

### 2. Somerset Councillor Report

*Short verbal reports are invited from Somerset Councillors, regarding matters affecting Street and the wider local community.*

- [Cllr Liz Leyshon](#)

Deputy Leader of Somerset Council and Lead Member for Resources and Performance.

## AGENDA

### 1. Apologies for absence

To receive and note apologies for absence. *LGA 1972 s85(1)*

## 2. Declarations of Interests and Grant of Dispensations

To receive any Declarations of Interest, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, SI No. 1464.

*Note: this does not preclude any later declarations.*

## 3. Confirmation of Minutes

RECOMMENDED: That the minutes of the Highways Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 are approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. (LGA 1972, Schedule 12, paragraph 41(1)).

## 4. Reports

### Deputy Clerk's Report

To receive a verbal report from the Deputy Clerk.

*To include updates/actions on behalf of the office (by exception).*

- *Community Speedwatch update – Volunteer training previously postponed by Avon and Somerset Police in July 2024. Awaiting update on restart as at 28 November.*

## 5. Correspondence

- i. **Pedestrian crossing point to and from Cranhill Road Car Park** - worn red paint on road surface and poor visibility for vehicles and pedestrians of oncoming traffic.  
**Background:** Installed as part of a Street Village centre improvement scheme.  
**Somerset Council update:** 16 October 2024. Somerset Council advised it will not renew the surface as it is a non-prescribed use of an anti-skid surface and serves no purpose.  
Highways Committee to review and consider options and any further action.  
Note letters received from two residents.
- ii. **Dangerous parking outside Brookside Academy.**  
**Background:** Cars park in the 20 min drop off zone for longer than 20 mins. Cars also spill over onto the zigzag zone making it very difficult to cross. Visibility poor from parked cars when crossing road. Previous parking restrictions at Brookside Academy consisted of all zigzags and no 20 min drop off zone.  
**Update:** 11 October 2024. Parking Enforcement to increase patrols of the area. PCSOs to also attend when they can to support.  
Highways Committee to review 20 min drop off zone and consider options and any further action.  
Note letters received from two residents.
- iii. **Safety concerns from parking issues on Glaston Road.**  
**Background:** Parking restrictions currently in place 8am to 6pm Monday to Saturday. Traffic entering Street on a Sunday has to queue back onto the dual carriageway due to cars parked blocking the inbound roadway. Access to a private car park is also blocked by queueing traffic. Yellow lines on road worn.  
**Somerset Council update:** 4 November 2024. Somerset Council to investigate an extension of the existing time restrictions. A yellow line refresh will not be undertaken this year due to the wet weather. The road surface requires a certain condition to allow optimum adhesion of the thermoplastic.  
Highways Committee to monitor.

6. Somerton Road Outline Planning Application 2019/2946/OTS – To note Highways aspects.

- i. To receive the Outline Planning Application Notification of Decision conditions that relate to Highways. This includes approval of detailed sustainable surface water drainage, off-site pedestrian crossing facilities, and the provision of sufficient parking and street lighting in the interests of highway safety .

**Update:** 13 November 2024. The Highway Authority has considered aspects of the submitted Construction Management Plan (condition 29 of decision notification) and recommends that this condition is not discharged due to the level of information provided at this time.

- ii. To note correspondence received regarding access to Stallgrove Lane and Burleigh Lane.

*At the meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee 24 residents were present in relation to the land at Somerton Road application (2024/1857/APP) and were able to use Public Question Time to ask questions about the proposed build in the presence of the developers, Curo. In particular, concerns about flooding including methods of data collection and suitability of the site were raised, as well as issues relating to increased traffic; impact on public services and risks to biodiversity/ecological habitats.*

7. Motion Request – Cllr Swift: Resurfacing the High Street

Highways Committee to consider a Motion Request Form regarding the resurfacing of the High Street

8. 20mph Extension

- i. To receive an update from the Deputy Clerk/RFO on the 20mph extension project
- ii. If SID data supports Somerton Road (Near Millfield School) as out of scope for inclusion in the 20mph extension proposal; Highways Committee to support a request to Somerset Council for assistance with measures to reduce the average speed to enable inclusion in the expansion Scheme.
- iii. Highways Committee to decide if it wishes to pursue investigating ‘20 is plenty’ resident stickers. Cllr Swift to introduce.

9. Speed Indication Devices (SID)

To receive an update from the Deputy Clerk/RFO.

To note revised quote from GA Doble to complete works required to SID posts at Somerton Road (NF) and the Mead in order to comply with new Somerset Council SID regulations. Revised quote based on 2 men for 3 days and the cost of additional S171 licences for alterations at Somerton Road and the Mead and the assumption that 1 pole can be reused for Vestry Road install.

	Revised Quote (based on 3 days)
2 men for (3 days now) Small hand mechanical tools – like Stihl road saws	£2,400.00
Supply and install of additional poles at Somerton Road (NF) and the Mead	£395.50
S171 licences (x7)	£1,624.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£4,419.50</b>

Budget Summary:

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SID Project Budget (Highways Cost Centre)	11,000.00
Agreed contingency fund (Council Reform)	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Budget for project	12,000.00
Less:	
Cost of 3 Elan city Solar SIDs purchased	7245.00
GA Doble revised cost	<u>4419.50</u>
Remaining Balance	<b>336.00</b>

10. Somerset Bus Partnership Update

Cllr Howard is no longer the Council's 'Bus Champion'. It was Resolved at November Full Council Meeting to advertise on social media for a new Bus Champion representative for Street Parish Council. Contact will be Cllr Howard.

11. Flooding: Gully report.

To receive and note gully information for Street as supplied by Kier following the Avalon and Polden LCN Highway's working group meeting.

12. Items to raise for consideration at the next meeting

*This item must be for information only. Any matter that requires a decision must be set as an agenda item at a future meeting.*

Woodsbatch flooding

13. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Highways Committee will take place at: **3.30pm on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025** in Room 6 Crispin Community Centre, Leigh Road, Street.