

**MINUTES OF THE FAVERSHAM PUBLIC REALM GROUP MEETING** held at The Guildhall, Faversham, on Thursday 20 September 2018

Present

Ted Wilcox, (Chair) (TW)	Alan Blackburn (AB)
Trevor Abram (TA)	Chris Oswald-Jones (COJ)
Anita Walker (AW)	Eddie Thomas (ET)
	Adam Andrews(AA)

In attendance

Louise Bareham, Town Clerk (TC)  
Jill Read, Swale Borough Council

**1. Apologies for absence**

Peter Flower, Geoff Wade, Mike Knowles

**2. Declarations of Interest**

None

**3. Previous Minutes and Matters Arising**

The minutes of 26 July 2018 were agreed. COJ noted it was Napleton General Improvement Area of 1991 and it was the depth of concrete not width.

- COJ noted that he had asked for the area to the rear of 12 Market Place to be included on the matrix

**4. Swale Borough Council**

Jill Read reported that SBC are looking across the three town centres at what smaller projects they can assist with. A number of potential projects were mentioned including re-blasting and painting of the town pump, cycle racks, cycle ramps on the underpass and footbridges, planters in Station Road, plants protection at the junction of South Road and West Street, gullies at the traffic lights.

**5. Town Walkabout Report**

The report from the walkabout on 13 September was received. The request for a dropped kerb on ZF40 was noted, but AB reported that one-offs were not usually undertaken and if there were other suggestions they could be grouped together as a project. The issue of cars parking across the flood gates will be passed to the EA. The trees planted during the works to the bund had since died and the EA will be notified. Other items discussed are included on the matrix.

## **6. Cycle Racks**

It was agreed to replace the cycle racks in East Street. The preferred design is Bilton in black. AB and AA to liaise.

## **7. 7.5 Tonne Weight Restriction**

KCC's letter where it stated proof of need was noted. Particular concerns noted were big lorries having to turn near the pond, who had been following satnavs, usually from Transpac, EKR lorries, often carry several empty skips with loose chains rattling. TW suggested that the Town Council just looked at West Street in the first instance and it to be a separate item on the next agenda. AB suggested the Council worked with the officer writing the report for the JTB.

## **8. Air Quality**

Questions were asked about the roundabout at the junction of A2 and A251 but AB reported that the project was being remodelled looking at both options again. It was agreed that free flowing traffic would be better for air quality.

## **9. Strategic Plan**

The strategic plan was updated.

## **10. Any Other Business**

COJ raised the question of bye-laws for cycling in alleyways and

## **9. Date of Next Meeting**

Walkabout 15 November at 10am – request for location

PRG 22 November at 9.30am