

**MINUTES EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING - BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER, 2023, 8.15 P.M. CLAYS LANE SPORTS PAVILION**

No members of the public were present.

Present: Cllrs A Riley, M Ackroyd, P Ackroyd, R Faulkner, A Hornby, R Grosvenor,
N Hussain

72/2023 Apologies for absence

Apologies were accepted for Cllrs N Slater and J Riley.

73/2023 Declaration of interest and dispensations

None submitted.

74/2023 Response to Branston Footway and Cycle Improvement Scheme

Members agreed in general they were generally in favour of the Branston Footway and Cycle Improvement Scheme.

They did however have the following concerns:-

- The leaning tree at the junction of Clays Lane should remain.
- They wondered how it will be enforced that cyclists dismount on certain aspects of the path. They wondered if this can be revisited.
- They also have concerns with the actual bridge structure. There is a 3-4 inch gap between the pillar and wall and are concerned if the wall will collapse. They wondered if additional works were required in this location.
- They had concerns in relation to speeding along Burton Road to Warren Lane and wondered if a speed restriction mechanism could be considered in this location to reduce the speed to 20 mph.

75/2023 Railway Crossing Extinguishment Order

It was resolved that members supported the above due to safety concerns.

76/2023 Further public meetings

Members felt that the recent public meeting held at Rykneld Primary School was beneficial and felt that a further meeting needed to be hosted to understand the highway improvements proposed for the Blacksmith junction proposals, and also discuss any potential improvements around Branston Square car park entrance and exit improvements.

Clerk to contact SCC Officers, councillors to establish their availability.

77/2023 Christmas Festive Event

Several matters were raised in relation to the possible risks. It was noted that a risk assessment will be completed. The clerk advised that the lights for the tree will be battery.

It was resolved that a 12ft tree would be sited on the car park by the Black Smith Arms and the Pickle Pot.

There was a request for a named vote.

Cllrs P Ackroyd, M Ackroyd – Against

Cllr R Faulkner – Abstain

Cllrs R Grosvenor, A Riley, A Hornby, N Hussain - For

Signed:

Date: