

Minutes of a Meeting of the Poonah Road/ Pomona Road Neighbourhood Improvement Group held in the Le Capelain Gallery, Town Hall on 12 June 2023.

Chairman: Simon Crowcroft (SC)

Apologies: Catherine Curtis and Rob Ward

SC presented to the meeting the draft plans for Poonah and Pomona Road. A copy of the plans is attached hereto and forms part of these minutes.

SC gave the following updates regarding the plans:

- SC is keen to get the states to agree to the use of Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) software and to give the Parish the tools to utilise it. SC believes it could solve numerous issues. The income from the cameras would then be ringfenced for improvements in the area.
- SC confirmed that a review of the resident's parking zones is starting next month to try and fix the abuses of the system.
- SC explained that for the NIA schemes to work that resident groups would need to be created to keep the NIA going and report back to the Parish any issues that may arise.
- Residents expressed the need for a dog poo pin on the junction of Saville Street and Poonah Road as this is a hot spot.
- SC confirmed that as part of the plans all pavements were to be redone in granite. He further explained that there is the possibility to have shared space to encourage traffic calming but residents were concerned about children in the street not being able to distinguish between the road and pavement. SC confirmed the shared spaces would be outside of the budget also.
- Rising bollards or planters to enforce access only roads were suggested.
- Plans for trees will be sent to residents detailing the opportunities.
- SC confirmed that a heritage presentation from the Societe Jersiase is in the works to provide residents with the history of their street. The date for this is to be confirmed and will be circulated.
- SC confirmed that the price for all of the improvements if £500k. Possible funding avenues are 1. increased parish rates, 2. government has made a promise of £15m to the parish for town improvements although he is cynical about receiving this, 3. working on planning obligations for developments in the surrounding area and 4. the climate emergency fund
- SC confirmed that the plans will go out for tender in the private sector as the Parish does not have the resources to deliver such work.
- The final decision on the plans will be down to the Parish's Roads Committee
- SC is hopeful that works will start before Christmas even if the works have to be temporary for now.

Agenda for the next meeting:

Heritage presentation

Update on funding

Update on short-term improvements