



Wirksworth Civic Society

Townscape Working Party Meeting

Tuesday 6th November 2007

Draft Notes

Present

Ian Dare, Chair, Working TWP

Colin Pidgeon, Chair, CS

Janet Pidgeon, Minuting Secretary

Gerry Vaughan Paul Clarke

Main points of discussions

- Audit of excess signage – incidental observation regarding inappropriate parking in the Town reflects lack of warden; list of signage put together (see attached)
**Action –letter to DDDC bringing to their attention, with list*
- Buildings at risk-
 - Coach House in Rydes yard – Paul has produced–‘Maintenance & Refurbishment of Building report for his course detailing problems & probable outcomes over /2 years without maintenance programme
**Action – copy of completed report to be sent to Conservation Officer*
 - 12-14 Coldwell St – Ian monitoring
 - 11 market Place – cannot access
 - Dale House –state of building causing concern
**Action –letter to CO with Paul’s report inviting her to walk round with members of TWP*
 - Gate House –gate piers –County Officer made notes
**Action –Gerry to prepare report for CO*
 - Harleem Mill – Paul visited, not allowed on premises
 - Moor Farm House & Buildings – no access
 - 9 The Causeway –possibly to be bought by tenant
**Action - Paul would like to undertake survey of area during summer*
- Maintenance of roads & pavements
 - meeting with Dave Green re street cleaning was very positive; area round cruck beam & weeds in St Mary’s gate cleared; hole in The Causeway to be filled in; surface behind Hope & Anchor to be repaired –both by District Council; gutters also checked
 - meeting with Daivd Carr, HIGHWAYS & Footpaths Officer, -Gerry had prepared report with list; kerb stones on St John’s St to be renewed (Memorial Hall side); agreed that path are in bad condition & many need reskimming; positive exercise; further action awaited
**Action –areas to be checked to see if work has been done, beginning in January*
- Street cleaning – Code of Practice on Litter & Refuse included need for schedule of street cleaning; new contract to be begun next year & out to tender; currently, inadequate time allocated; Wirksworth needs to be rescheduled with a different approach; St John’s Street core for weekly clean; others off it on different schedule
**Action – Ian to write to Town Council*

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- Out-dated signs attached to lampposts, including planning notices –Mike suggested CS remove them
*Action –Colin & Graham to investigate

.Next meeting: 21st January 7.30pm 10 Summer Drive