



Minutes of Reydon Parish Council Highways Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 11th June 2025 at 2.30 pm. The Meeting was held at 60 Halesworth Road.

Present: Cllr David Panther (Chair), Cllr Pam Cyprien, Brian Bailey, Linda Coe, Jo Kerridge
Clerk: Ann Dobson

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Michael Ladd who was on holiday.

2. Matters arising from previous Minutes not included on the Agenda.

There were no matters arising.

3. Potters Bridge update.

David Panther said he had attended a multi-agency meeting recently that included our local MP, the Environment Agency, Natural England and Suffolk County Council. Jenny Riddell- Carpenter was pushing for more signage to be available quickly enough to denote when the road was closed, and this was in hand. The EA said that in 2-5 years they would be abandoning the reed bed in favour of an alternative one and at that time they would have no responsibility to manage the water levels. There were still concerns over the landowner having the licence to clear the outflow but the EA said that if he didn't, he could be taken to court. Jenny Riddell-Carpenter said that in the medium to long term there would be the need to look at the transport strategy if the bridge was no longer viable. She would be meeting with the transport minister soon and would discuss the longer-term strategy at that meeting. Natural England said they had put in an application for funding to put an overflow pipe in the reed bed to help with the outflow. Jenny said that she would try to get the application fast tracked.

There was no update on a date for the Council inspection of the bridge but as the bitterns were currently nesting in the reed beds it was hoped this would be from the end of the summer onwards.

4. Copperwheat Development – Any Update

There had been no reply from Joe Blackmore or the Planning Department about the progress on this. The Freedom of Information request by RPC from the Water Company, on whether they could cope with an extra 220 properties would hopefully come through soon.

ACTION: Ann had sent a further email to Planning and would follow this up again and copy in David Beavan.

5. Re-application for 40 mph limit on A1095.

This was postponed to the July meeting when it was hoped Michael Ladd would be present.

6. Speeding and Traffic:

Recent Traffic Survey on Wangford Road – Results

The results of this survey showed that the majority of people were complying with the speed limit and Jo Kerridge said that there was not sufficient evidence to support regular police presence in that location. It was agreed that the SID pole needed to stay where it was even though a local resident had requested that it should be moved. It was also agreed that the survey could be sent to the resident either by Ann or by Michael Ladd. Jo Kerridge said that the only other thing to do would be to put road markings saying slow or 30 mph on the road itself and that Cllr Ladd would be able to advise on this.

ACTION: Ann to contact Cllr Michael Ladd and to circulate the Traffic Survey to all the Councillors.

Lowestoft Road Traffic Survey

It was confirmed that this was to take place between 18th August and 3rd September.

ANPR Deployment

Word from the team had been received that this was to start again in July 2025.

Possibility of positioning speed camera warning signs close to the start of the 30mph limit on Halesworth Road

Jo Kerridge said she had checked this out and this could only happen officially if there were frequent police checks in that location. However, it was discussed that a 30mph repeater sign was missing where the 30 limit did exist and that this could possibly be replaced.

ACTION: Ann to check with the Community Self Help team whether the repeater sign could be put back.

7. Anaerobic Digester Planning Application and Traffic Management Plan.

David Panther said that RPC had done what they could to raise concerns about the traffic management for this by asking for two conditions – that the numbers didn't exceed the numbers quoted, and that further road safety measures were considered. In addition, Michael Ladd had also raised his concerns. Despite this an email from Billy Manning had confirmed that these conditions were not necessary to make the application viable so it was not thought that any more could be done at this time.

8. Any other business

St Felix Development – Brian Bailey said that part of the original planning conditions was for an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing to be installed on the Halesworth Road at the site of the development. He said that tactile paving had been installed but no crossing.

ACTION: Ann to follow up with Joe Blackmore and copy David Beavan in.

Mights Bridge – Brian Bailey said there was a large bump that had appeared on the road either side of Mights Bridge.

ACTION: It was suggested this was put on the Reporting Tool.

Overhanging Trees – Brian Bailey said that these still hadn't been cut on the Halesworth Road and they were now quite dangerous as they were obscuring the lights and potentially damaging them. The trees were also overhanging the carriageway, which could endanger vehicles.

ACTION: Jo Kerridge said she would check with the Safety Enforcement Team.

Double Yellow Lines at Nightingale Avenue – Linda Coe said that although these were working very well at the junction and making things safer, it had moved the problem to further up the road where people were now parking instead and that should be acknowledged.

White Lines on Halesworth Road – It was reported that these had been re-painted and Jo Kerridge was thanked for expediting this.

- 9. Date of next meeting** – Wednesday 23rd July at 2.30 pm at 60 Halesworth Road.