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To: All Members of the Property and Amenities Committee: Councillors S Abbott, H Belcher OBE, N Brakspear, J Brook, T Ellis, G McCaffrey, J Roberton, G Ward and R Williams.

All other Members of the Council for information.

Dear Councillor

The next meeting of the Property and Amenities Committee will be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday 27 September 2023 commencing at 7.30pm.

Yours sincerely

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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AGENDA

- 1. Apologies.
- 2. Public Question Time and Petitions.
- 3. Declarations of Interest.

To receive any Declaration(s) of Interest under Corsham Town Council's Code of Conduct issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Property and Amenities Committee meeting held on 19 July 2023 – *for information only.*

- 5. Public Realm RIBA Stage 2 (*Minute P&A 17/23 and others*): To receive an update on the public realm project centred on Newlands Road *for information*.
- 6. Park Lane Workshop (*Minute P&A 5/22 and others*): To receive an update on work to construct a new workshop including the appointment of consultants. The Committee is asked to note that for the appointment of the quantity surveyor, the second lowest quotation was accepted following the recommendation of the architect and in consultation with the Committee Chair *for information*.
- 7. Consultation on 20mph Limits in Corsham Town Centre (*Minute P&A 19/23 and others*): To consider the results of the consultation exercise with residents and to decide whether to recommend to the LHFIG that the town centre 20mph speed limit scheme be pursued. The consultation is due to end on 26 September the results of the consultation will be available on the day of the Committee meeting *for information/decision*.
- 8. Park Lane Trollies (*Minute P&A 22/23 and others*): To receive an update on the project and to consider options for facing the plinth. A quote, setting out the options and a plan of the original concept are **attached** for *information/decision*.
- 9. Arnold House Maintenance (*Minute P&A 21/23 and others*): To receive an update on maintenance issues at Arnold House *for information*.
- 10. Lease for the Public Conveniences, Martingate: The lease for the public conveniences in The Martingate Centre (Newlands Road Car Park) expired in July and has been holding over. A draft lease has now been received from the landlord's solicitors and our solicitors are reviewing the terms, including queries raised by the Chief Executive. The intention is that the new lease will be for another seven years on no less favourable terms than the existing one. A copy of the draft lease is available on request. **Recommendation:** That the Town Council enters into a new lease for the public conveniences on terms to be agreed, following advice from the Town Council's solicitors.
- 11. Update on Local Highway Improvement Group Issues (*Minute P&A 24/23 and others*): To consider the following LHFIG issues:
 - Lacock Road Kerbing. A plan with costing has now been produced for this proposal (copy attached). The cost (£45,700) is beyond the budget of the LHFIG and would have to go forward as a substantive bid. If the Town Council is still minded to support the project, it would need to commit a minimum of £7,000 towards the scheme (the more the Town Council commits, the more likely the bid is to be successful). The Committee is invited to consider whether they still wish to support the scheme and whether they wish to contribute at least £7,000 towards it for decision.
 - Neston 20mph Speed Limit Scheme. To receive an update on efforts to implement the scheme *for information*.
 - A4 (Cross Keys) Speed Limit. The Committee had previously agreed to contribute up to £1,750 towards lowering the speed limit at this location. The implementation of this was delayed by discussions about whether it would be possible to reduce the speed to 40mph. The work has now been re-costed and has increased from £7,000

to £10,100, with the Town Council contribution rising from £1,750 to £2,525. The Committee is invited to determine whether to pursue the lowering of the speed limit and to contribute the additional £775 – for decision.

- Speed Limits at Lacock Road, Lypiatt Road and Elley Green. These three locations have all been subject to metro counts which show that the 85th percentile is below the posted speed limit. The metro counts came out of requests to reduce the speed limits at these locations. The LHFIG are reluctant to undertake speed limit assessments (£3,000 per site) which might not be successful and where there might not be speeding issues. The Committee is invited to consider whether to pursue these requests for decision.
- 12. Requests for Highway Improvements and Traffic Surveys (*Minute P&A 25/23 and others*): To consider whether to support the following request: Pavement outside Londis, Pickwick Road, Corsham (**copy attached**) Request to install bollards to prevent parking on the pavement.
- 13. Update on the Speed Indicator Devices and Autospeedwatch (*Minute P&A 26/23 and others*): To receive an update *for information*.
- 14. Proposed Traffic Regulation Order: To consider a response to a Traffic Regulation Order (**copy attached**) lowering the speed limit on part of the B3109 *for consideration/comment*.