

ADDERBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Date of Parish Council Meeting	Tuesday 24 November 2020
Agenda Item Number	<i>Item 9 (v)</i>
Author	Oliver Ighani
Title of Report	Works to Footpaths in the Village
Summary	The use of S106 funds to improve footpaths around Adderbury.
Recommendation	To accept OCC proposals contained in this report
Reasons for the Recommendation	The best use of the available funds to improve footpaths in and around Adderbury
Impact on Budget	Nil as the funding is from S106
Risks	Nil
Background	<p>There is around £20,000 S106 money and it comes from the development Fleet Farm Way. The money has to be spent by 2024.</p> <p>In regards to the surfacing OCC will be looking to surface as much as the money allows. The section next to the lakes (where the surface is deteriorating), linking the entrance to the lakes to east end development would also be high on the list.</p> <p>The exact surface has not been decided, but it would not be tarmac. They would hope to install something similar to the paths around the lakes, although maybe with slightly different materials.</p> <p>They are at a very early stage of this project and so are open to all suggestions. They are looking at the surfacing as it is something they do get reports about and where they are allowed to spend this money is limited to the paths.</p> <p>After Diane and I had a meeting with Beth from OCC this is a summary of our progress so far:</p>

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Long wall Surfacing:

- Worst bit is on the slope towards and in front of Fleet Farm House, keen to have a path width of about 1.2m and get vegetation cut back (excluding trees), OCC keen to do replace the current surfaced section as although ok at the moment it is starting to fail and due to spring would be extremely wet when surface fails
- Ideally to do as much as funding allows – Parish council would be willing to consider a TOE bid - get quotes for whole length and cut back as required (need 3 if looking at a TOE grant)
- Look at getting quotes from local contactors too in case they offer better value for money – they will require the appropriate level of insurance for working on a Highway
- Some sections may benefit from simply being scraped back rather than resurfaced – to be investigated as part of getting quotes for the work
- The resurfacing would a material similar to in the Lakes. No tarmac as want to keep the rural feel to the path

Canal Path

- Keen to see this if possible but aware that it will rely on land owners consent and suspect that Tarver's Lock may not be very positive about the proposals – OCC will contact landowners and investigate the possibility just in case
- If a dedicated Public Right of Way is not possible then Parish will look into permissive options – OCC involvement a permissive route would be limited but happy to advise

Golf Course/Business Park Path

- All agreed that some form of connection to the footpath through the golf course via the business park is needed. Ideally some form of cycle route as this would also encourage sustainable transport methods to and from the business park.
- This is more of a future aspiration
- I will speak to Highways and see if they can clear the verge as a short term measure.

Although all the above needs to be discussed and decided on, the following has been given the green light by OCC:

In terms of getting the verge mowed, OCC may be able to do this but only once a year. If you wanted it done more than this then we would need to find the funding from somewhere. The contact is Belinda Davies (Belinda.Davies@Oxfordshire.gov.uk) to discuss this further.

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	<p>Andrew Vidovic also suggested that we should contact Jacqui Cox (Jacqui.Cox@Oxfordshire.gov.uk) about using money from developments to create a path (ideally a cycle link) to the business park/golf course footpath. He has suggested that there may already be some S106 money that could be used for this but does not know for sure. Certainly something we could investigate.</p>
Supporting documents; advice, reports etc should always Be attached to the report and listed here	Nil, emails referencing the above have been sent to Diane, Theresa and myself.