Wheatley Parish Council Extra Ordinary Open Spaces Committee

7pm Tuesday 8th August site visit at Toilet Sq/High St followed by a meeting at the Parish Office

Present: Clirs Roger Bell (RB), Sarah Coleridge (SC), Paula Hood (Chair) (PH), Ian Roberts

(IR), Geoff Stephens (GS).

Officer: Michelle Legg (Clerk)

Members of Public: 2 (Roger Simmonds, Georgina Roberts)

No Item Action

- 33. APOLOGIES for Absence Cllr Foster
- **34. DECLARATIONS of Interest -** Cllr Roberts as a resident of the High St.
- **35. MINUTES FROM MEETING held on 17**th **July** previously circulated were signed by the chair as a correct and accurate record of the meeting. Actions will be discussed at the next meeting. **Clerk to add to agenda**

Clerk

36. TO AGREE RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOWING the High St Improvement Report.

A site meeting on the High St took place prior to the formal meeting. A proposal was made by the Chair to recommend utilising the space for 2-3 car parking spaces. A unanimous vote against the proposal was made. The chair made a second proposal for utilising the space for 1 disabled parking space. 2 votes were made in favour, 2 votes were made against the proposal with 1 abstention.

A third proposal was made by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr Stephens to agree recommendations for greening Toilet Square without car parking provision. A unanimous vote in favour was made. The recommendation will now be taken to Full Council on 4th September. *Clerk to add to agenda*

Clerk

The committee suggested that trader car parking spaces/permits for the SODC car park should be taken up by the traders with SODC.

A discussion took place on how the project could be moved forward and it was agreed that a recommendation be made to Full Council for an advisory committee to be formed to oversee the delivery of the project.

The committee wished to thank the High St Improvement Group and all the parties involved for their hard work.

Cllr Bell also raised the topic of the weeds growing in the gutter and gulleys. The clerk has recently asked for residents to clear areas in front of their properties through the village newsletter whilst liaising with OCC/SODC on the costs for clearance.

The group discussed several options and will liaise with Wheatley Wanderers to deliver a public show of community spirit.

37. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 18th September 2017