Report for Leigh On Mendip Parish Council meeting Monday 18 July 2022

Highways

Park Hayes – Parking strip

1. Intention:

To excavate and reinstate hard standing strip as shown in the images below, together with retaining bank/shuttering where required.

2. Dimensions:

The proposed strip is 50m x 2.25 m

3. Specification:

Excavate to depth of approx. 450mm (remove topsoil circa 80t? -see below)
Lay weed control membrane (optional) (We may be able to obtain this FOC)
Install and compact type 1 aggregate to specified level

Bring level to existing kerb height

Install retaining barrier to North of strip (where required) - timber edging to ensure that the soil does not infuse with the new surface. (Concrete edging can also be used but is considerably more expensive). Install post and chain line on northern edge as demarcation line (to prevent driving over)

4. Costs:

Teram weed control membrane Cost: £115 (see below image)

Retaining timber, post & chain est: £350

Type 1 aggregate – Free – Donation from Wainwrights

5. Labour:

Work

Soil removal

6. SCC Highways:

Following consultation the following response was received;

"According to our locally held electronic records the proposed works are not within the bounds of the adopted highway and is to be undertaken on private Land in the ownership of Leigh-on-Mendip Parish Council. In principle as the Highway Authority we would not have any objection to your proposal.

Approval

Anyone wishing to work on or adjacent to the Highway will need the approval of the Highway Authority and this approval takes the form of a Section 171 Licence.

7. Contractor:

- 1. An offer has been received from a resident with the requisite skills and machinery to complete the work free of charge. This includes removal of spoil and willingness to deliver some of the it to the Open Space area.
- 2. An expression of interest and provisional offer to complete the work has also been received from Halecombe Quarry. This offer is made independent from their Community Support scheme and "simply needs an email to ask us to do the job", (free of charge). They will also deliver spoil to the Open Space.

8. Timescale:

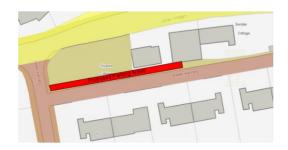
Late Summer is an optimal time in conjunction with the Open Space project and their need for spoil to install a 'soil mound' for the installation of a children's slide.

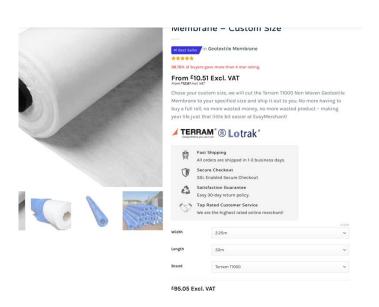
9. Proposal:

For impartiality I recommend we pursue the offer made by Tarmac, Halecombe quarry. Clearly the company are well versed in road construction and have the requisite skills and knowledge of regulations and machinery to complete the project. This will negate the need for the PC to seek the necessary licences for the work to be undertaken.

I propose we set aside upto £500 to cover the costs of the membrane and timber etc. as listed above at 4 above.







Other matters:

We have been advised of 2 vehicles in the village that are possibly 'abandoned' on the Highway with no road tax/MOT. These have been reported.

Potholes in Stocks Lane and Park Hayes have been reported

White lines have been repainted at the 'triangle' at the East end of Leigh Street. A follow up enquiry has been submitted to SCC Highways regarding the repainting of lines at Tadhill and other junctions around the village. (We were advised these were all on the 'planned maintenance' schedule last autumn).

Martin