

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR – HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

26th January 2016

To: Chairman & Members of the Swavesey Byeways Advisory Committee

1. Expenditure for 2015/2016 and Five Year Expenditure Summary

1.1 Attached as Appendix 1 is a breakdown of the current year's expenditure, together with the last five year's average annual expenditure per Byeway.

2. Review of Maintenance and Anticipated Expenditure for 2016/2017

2.1 Councillor Ellington and the Council's Drainage Manager have planned an inspection of all the Byeways for Monday 18 February 2016 in order to assess their current state and the likely level of maintenance required in the coming year. It is expected that deterioration will have occurred along the most frequently used sections of Byeway. However, Cow Fen, Hale Road, Mow Fen, Uttons Drove, Tiplers Drove and Middle Fen in particular are likely to require maintenance in the coming year.

2.2 It is recommended that the Committee advise the District Council to maintain the present level of maintenance and in view of the report of the Executive Director Corporate Services, to levy a charge of £1.00 per hectare for the period of 2016/2017. .

For Discussion and Recommendation

3. Voluntary Maintenance Arrangements

3.1 At the meeting of the Advisory Committee in February 2015, it was decided to continue with the voluntary maintenance arrangements for the Byeways whereby the Chargepayers provide labour and plant to spread materials.

3.2 Under the current arrangements the District Council manages the maintenance programme and budget, ordering materials, collecting the rate etc, whilst Chargepayers voluntarily provide labour and plant to spread materials. This arrangement has worked reasonably well in the past and it is recommended that the same practices are applied for the coming year.

For Discussion and Recommendation

Mike Hill
Director – Health & Environmental Services

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Appendix 1

Expenditure 2015/2016			
Date	Byeway	Materials/Loads	Cost £
2015	Cow Fen	5 Loads Planings	700
2015	Uttons Drove/Tipplers	7 Loads Planings	980
2015	Mow Fen/Hale Road	6 Loads Planings	840
2015	River Fen/Middle Fen	1 Load Planings	140
		Total	2940

Byeway	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	5 Year Average
Cow Fen	390	390	650	560	700	538
Hale/Mow	390	585	780	840	840	687
Scotland/Boxworth	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utton/Tipplers	1720	780	1170	1120	980	1154
Middle Fen/River Fen	260	265	260	420	140	269
Brick Kiln						
Lairstall						
Turnbridge						