Huntick Cyclepath Report 15 Nov 2017

Cllr Andrew Huggins

Following the last mail from Helen Jackson at DCC Highways, where she inferred that Highways were if the inclination to persue our preferred route along Huntick Road and down the Race Rarm route, but that funding would be an issue, and also that they were seeking quotes for suitable topographical survey, Cllr Bush and I had a meeting with Clare Lees, and also we had a meeting of the working group to consider our response.

I have since mailed Helen back explaining that, once the partial review of housing is complete and development starts, there should be plenty of Developer Contribution monies available to substantially contribute to the cost of the path. This does, of course, assume that a)Lytchett Minster haven’t already “earmarked” the money for their own purposes (Cllr Bush and Cllr Colvey will meeting with L Minster PC and discuss this). And b) Lytchett Matravers PC are OK with committing a chunk of the Developer contribution to this project rather than to the other projects Lytchett Matravers PC have in the pipeline.

I have also asked Helen to provide us plans that they have “mapped out” for the detailed route, with details of the necessary road crossing. And I have also asked for costs of the Topographical survey (as she was seeking accurate quotes) – and I have indicated that the Parish Council would be “minded” to make some contribution towards the cost of the survey as a sign of our commitment to the project.

I would be interested in Councillors comments on the parts I have underlined.