

Dent Parish Council Sub-Committee Authority Request

Committee Amenities and Environment Committee **Date**

Date 16 November 2020

Purpose of the Report

To provide the council with information and recommended action regarding new signs at Stonehouse Bridge as well as the approaches and at Newby Head junction.

Recommendation

Option 2 – Approve the proofs sent by Cumbria County Council with a slight amendment to the wording on the basis that the usage of the bridge will be monitored and if necessary more signage will be added at a later date.

Context

Stonehouse Bridge has been hit a number of times by large HGV's costing the taxpayer a lot of money in repairs. The suggestion is that new signage will help to stop these vehicles ever getting to the bridge by advising that the road is unsuitable.

Alignment to Dent Parish Council Objectives

This project aligns with objective 3 (Improve Health and Wellbeing and the Environment of the Dale)

Background

Many repairs have been made in the past, but the bridge continues to be hit. Improved signage has been talked about for a long time and we are now in a position to get these installed.

Options Considered

1. Do nothing – not feasible as the bridge will continue to be hit.
2. Approve the proofs sent by Cumbria County Council with a slight amendment to the wording on the basis that the usage of the bridge will be monitored and if necessary more signage will be added at a later date.
3. Reject the proofs and ask for more information to be added to the signs – not feasible as can only put so much information on each sign.

Financial Implications

None

Conclusion

The opinion of the committee is that the council should approve the current proofs as sent by Cumbria County Council on the basis that they are re-worded slightly and that if they do not have the desired effect they can be changed at a later date.

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