



EYNESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting
in the Bartholomew Room at 7.30pm
on Tuesday 12 January 2021

MINUTES

Present: Eynsham Parish Council - Cllr Gordon Beach (Committee Chairman), Cllr Sue Osborne, Cllr Nick Relph and Cllr Carl Rylett.

Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) - Mike Wasley, Area Operations Cherwell Division and County Cllr Charles Mathew.

Stagecoach Oxfordshire – Trevor Bayliss, Banbury and Witney Depots.

West Oxfordshire District Council – District Cllrs Ed James and Dan Levy.

In attendance: Katherine Doughty, Clerk to the Council and one member of the public.

21/T1 To receive apologies for absence – None. John Croxton, Thames Valley Police was not present.

21/T2 To receive Declarations of Interest in agenda items – None.

21/T3 Public Participation – The member of public referred to item 21/T5 and queried whether the Council had received communications from the '20s plenty campaign for Oxfordshire' and requested information on OCC's (Cllr Sudbury) motion of creating community 20mph zones across Oxfordshire. The Clerk was unaware of any correspondence relating to the campaign although it was raised in a recent Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils monthly update. It was noted that 35 Oxfordshire parishes are in support of them. Cllr Mathew advised that £200,000 is currently set aside in OCC's draft budget for villages to support 20mph zones. An announcement by OCC has been delayed due to a recent resignation, however it will be publicised soon.

21/T4 To receive correspondence and agree actions (if appropriate) - None.

21/T5 To consider pursuing a 20mph zone, undertaking public consultations and agree actions – It was noted that whilst OCC is to provide a countywide 20mph zone scheme, timescales for implementation are currently unknown. It was recommended that should the Council wish to proceed, a design is drafted by OCC (as some roads will need to have traffic calming measures) and it budgets for a Traffic Regulation Order (£3255) to change the speed limits (OCC will undertake a formal consultation as part of this process). Support for a 20mph zone was received during the Eynsham Neighbourhood Plan process and various public communications have been undertaken on the subject including [The Urbanists' report](#). Clerk is to forward traffic survey data obtained in 2017 to Mike Wasley to check compliance with a TRO and design requirements. It was **RECOMMENDED** that the Council write to OCC to draft a design, undertake a formal consultation and implement a 20mph zone subject to acceptable confirmed costs, available funding and consultation responses.

21/T6 To receive an update on the Village Gateways project – It was **RECOMMENDED** that as it has now been made clear that OCC supports 20mph zones, the Village Gateways project is re-integrated with the 20mph zone work. Consideration needs to be given to whether the speed limit on the B4449 needs to be lowered in order to comply with the 20mph zone regulations. Clerk is to liaise with Mike Wasley accordingly.

21/T7 To receive an update report on the A40/Park & Ride planning application – Update report received as follows:-

The determination of the A40 Bus Lane and Eynsham P&R scheme's planning application is ongoing and we are aiming for it to be considered at the next available OCC Planning and

Regulation Committee. We can also confirm receipt of representation from Eynsham Parish Council, which will be considered in detail. Last but not the least, OCC Cabinet approved a proposal to accelerate the P&R design and agreed the scheme development costs up to the point of the anticipated funding approval by the Department for Transport, expected in summer 2021. If the Parish has any specific questions regarding the proposals, please contact the A40 Programme Delivery Team via A40corridor@Oxfordshire.gov.uk.

Clerk advised that one or more consultation documents had been uploaded to the consultation website that provided less than a week to consider and respond. Clerk is to raise this procedural concern with the OCC Planning Officer.

21/T8 To receive a report from Oxfordshire County Council Highways on:-

- (a) Progress of adopting highway at Hazeldene – Not discussed (continues to be pursued by Chairman).
- (b) Any other outstanding matters – B4044 by Toll Booth – Carriageway repairs (OCC to be reimbursed by the Toll Bridge owner).

Lining work is being compiled for 2021/22 programme, below is the list to date: -

Oakfield Industrial Estate - Restriction markings

Wharf Road - Restriction markings - double yellow lines to be installed as per plan

High St - Restriction markings

Acre End St - Restriction markings

Queen Street - Restriction markings

Thames St - Restriction markings

Church Street - Footpath Line

Merton Close - Install APM

Clerk checked whether restriction markings at Mill Street are being planned. Mike Wasley/Cllr Mathew advised the lines are being extended as well as repainted.

Cllr Beach asked that line refreshing working is undertaken at Old Witney Road/Witney Road to the school – Mike Wasley is to assess due to their recent completion.

Abbey Road and Thames Street are also included in the programme.

21/T9 To receive an update from Stagecoach on:-

- (a) Proposed Acre End Street bus stop changes – Noted that the current bus stop is not disability compliant. A site meeting is due to be arranged by OCC to assess requirements and consider concerns. Cllr Mathew is to pursue a meeting date and advise.
- (b) Current timetables and routes – It was noted that the S7 service (to John Radcliffe Hospital) is being changed to the H2 which will divert into Spareacre Lane and then to re-join the A40. It was felt this is a positive change which means the bus shelters previously used for the 11 service, will be used again. It was **RECOMMENDED** that all bus shelters are cleaned and repaired.
- (c) Planned future changes – None.

Cllr Beach expressed his gratitude to attendees, it being his last Traffic Advisory Committee meeting due to his planned retirement from the Council in May.

21/T10 Date of next meeting – to be advised. The meeting closed at 8.25pm.