



# EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Traffic Advisory Committee held in the Bartholomew Room  
on Monday 16 January 2012 at 7.30 pm

## MINUTES

Present: – Mr G Beach EPC Chair, Cllr P Staley EPC, Cllr Ms J Tinson EPC, Cllr Ms S Osborne EPC, Cllr D Stukenbroeker EPC, Mr Trevor Bayliss – Stagecoach, Chris Hulme – Thames Valley Police, Cllr P Kelland West Oxfordshire District Council, Charles Mathew Oxfordshire County Council, Cllr L Poole West Oxfordshire District Council, Ian Clarke, Oxfordshire County Council Area Steward.  
In Attendance:– Mr M Anderson - Parish Clerk.

**Apologies:** David Taylor, Oxfordshire County Council and Darren Humphries, Thames Valley Police

**T11/1 To elect a Committee Chairman** – It was agreed that Cllr Beach be elected as Chairman of the Committee.

**T11/2 Minutes of the Meeting of 11 January 2011** – these were agreed and signed as a true record.

**T11/3 Matters arising from the Minutes** –

- T10/10 – David Taylor, OCC is aware of the request for a new bus stop on the A40. A site meeting would be the next step and then look for funding.
- T10/11 Costings to repair the Chilbridge are being prepared at present.
- T10/7 There are no parking restrictions outside the Mill Street shops.
- The inspection of pavements had resulted in the repair of those where this was considered necessary. The raised road level near the library was not meant to be a pedestrian crossing point and the height difference between kerb and road would make it difficult to cross.

**T11/4 Public Participation** – None.

**T11/5 Bollards alongside the Bartholomew Rooms** – The Parish Council would like to see a bollard installed to protect pedestrians where the proposed new notice board will be placed. It was agreed that a formal request would be made by the Parish Council to Ian Clarke OCC if the Planning Permission was granted.

**T11/6 Speed restrictions on the A40 through Eynsham** –

- Cllr Poole detailed his request that the speed limit to be reduced to 40 mph on the A40 for about 1 mile. Planning applications had been recommended for refusal because of the risk of accidents caused by turning traffic. Pedestrians are also at risk from some crossing points. County Councillor Mathew said that he would not support a speed limit reduction. The police said that an “A” road could have a 40mph limit, but they would be concerned that compliance may be a problem without other calming facilities being introduced. The police felt that most accidents that had taken place were shunts through lack of concentration by slow moving traffic. Concern was expressed that pedestrians found it very difficult to cross the A40.

- It was agreed that having a dual carriageway on the A40 would be desirable, but that the funding would not be available.
- James Wright, Oxfordshire County Council is undertaking a review into the traffic lights at Witney Road/A 40 and the effect on traffic. It was agreed that when he had concluded the review to invite him to a meeting to present the conclusions.

**T11/7 Traffic congestion in Acre End Street –**

- Cllr Mathew felt that the no parking area opposite the Swan pub on Acre End Street should be extended to allow passing buses to pull in to the side. It was accepted that when a plan was drawn up a public consultation would be needed.
- The camber on Wastie Lane had been raised as a problem for pedestrians, particularly elderly pedestrians. Oxfordshire County Council will investigate this problem and report back.
- A problem is being caused by the quantity of school buses parking outside Bartholomew School. This was being investigated.

**T11/8 S1 bus timekeeping and OCC Realtime reliability –**

- Cllr Stukenbroeker has been in contact with David Taylor, Oxfordshire County Council and Chris Birkett, Information Systems Officer, Oxontime re the Realtime. It was thought that there may be a maintenance issue behind the problems, which will be investigated.
- There were discussions concerning bus time reliability and performance.

**T11/9 Road closures for the Queen's Jubilee events –** If the road on High Street to Mill Street was closed for a Queen's Jubilee Event the buses would be able to adjust its route.

**T11/10 Issues raised by parishioners –** R H Transport are now honouring bus passes.

**T11/11 Report from Oxfordshire County Council Highways on outstanding matters**

- The Tuer – The road and markings had now been improved and cars parked on the Tuer could cause an obstruction. The police thought that the problem caused was minor so that it would not be pro-actively policed. The advice was that any drivers who were obstructed should contact the police at the time. It was agreed that an article could be placed in the Eynsham Echo advising that this was a Highway.

Date of next meeting – 10 July 2012 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.56pm.