



EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Traffic Advisory Committee held in the Bartholomew Room
on Tuesday 10 July 2012 at 7.30 pm

MINUTES

Present: – Mr G Beach EPC Chair, Cllr Ms J Tinson EPC, Cllr Ms S Osborne EPC, Cllr D Stukenbroeker EPC, Mr Trevor Bayliss – Stagecoach, Chris Hulme, Thames Valley Police, Cllr Charles Mathew, Oxfordshire County Council.

In Attendance:– Mr Jones, Mrs M Sheppard and Mr M Anderson - Parish Clerk.

Apologies: Mr Paul Staley, Eynsham Parish Council, Mr Peter Kelland West Oxfordshire District Councillor and Ian Clarke, Oxfordshire County Council Area Steward.

T12/1 To elect a Committee Chairman – It was agreed that Councillor Beach be elected as Chairman of the Committee.

T12/2 Minutes of the Meeting of 16 January 2012 – these were agreed and signed as a true record.

T12/3 Matters arising from the Minutes – None.

T12/4 Public Participation – Mr Jones matter will be discussed in 12/6.

T12/5 Bus Routes for No18 Bus & Zebra Crossing on Acre End Street –

- Oxfordshire County Councillor Mathew asked that RH buses be specifically invited to the next meeting to discuss the route of the No 18 bus and speeding problems.
- A zebra crossing on Acre End Street would not be possible because of safety issues caused by placing a crossing in close proximity of the roundabout. It was agreed that it would be beneficial to increase the size of the central reserve that is already in place.

T12/6 Issues raised by parishioners –

- Mr Mathew Arnold re A40 and bus service managing in heavy traffic – the Committee had previously been advised that the cost of building a dual carriageway along the A40 was not possible because of the cost. It was thought that this would be the same for introducing a rail network into Eynsham, but these were matters for the County Council. S1 and S2 buses keeping to the published timetable is a problem during the rush hour traffic. The Realtime is a better indicator of bus arrivals. This is kept under constant review and is currently being considered for the September timetable. Bus capacities have been increased with the introduction of larger buses. The only way to further increase capacity would be to introduce new buses onto the route.
The traffic lights Witney Road/A40 can be controlled by the bus driver in the morning, but not in afternoon as this causes tailback elsewhere.
- Mr Caudle re condition of pavements hazards and uneven surfaces – Oxfordshire County Council have repaired those areas previously identified, that they intend to repair. Any new problems should be reported to Customer Services.
- Mr Caudle re cars parking on pavements – the police will be trying to take action on this where there is a physical obstruction. It is only an offence when there is a physical obstruction.

There is no offence of parking a car on the pavement. There is an offence of parking delivery vehicles on the pavement.

- Mr Jones re the traffic hazard caused by school coaches at Bartholomew School. – It was agreed that this was a problem. Mr Jones had not received a reply from Oxfordshire County Council. It was agreed to write to Oxfordshire County Council asking how they intend to solve the problem.
- Oxfordshire County Councillor Mathew asked for views on a proposed Eynsham Cycle Route that starts at the Toll Bridge. It was agreed that this was an excellent idea, but the cost would be £3m or more. There would be additional costs of providing zebra crossings and compulsory purchase orders. Councillor Mathew thought the Cycle Route was an excellent idea, but was concerned that the County Council would not be able to provide this for the people of Oxford as they may decide that the cost would be too much.

T12/7 Report from Oxfordshire County Council Highways on outstanding matters – None.

T12/8 Correspondence – Thames Valley Police Notice “Park at Your Peril” was noted.

Date of next meeting – 15 January 2013 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.25pm.