



EYNSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Traffic Advisory Committee held
in the Bartholomew Room at 7.30 pm
on Tuesday 12 January 2016

MINUTES

Present: – Eynsham Parish Councillors G Beach, R Andrews, Ms T Crowley, Ms S Osborne, D Stukenbroeker, Oxfordshire County Councillor Charles Mathew, Oxfordshire County Council Officer David Tole, TVP John Croxton, Stagecoach - Mr Trevor Bayliss and Martin Sutton, District Councillor Edward James

In Attendance:– Rachel Faulkner - Parish Clerk.

T16/01 The committee elected Gordon Beach as Chairman for 2015/16

T16/02 Apologies: District Council Peter Kelland

T16/03 The minutes of the meeting of 20 January 2015 were agreed and signed as a true record.

T16/04 Matters arising from the Minutes:

- The Chairman asked if the trial had been undertaken regarding traffic light phasing on A40. It had been suggested that if the lights were left green for longer then the queues would clear more quickly. David Tole agreed to look into this further.
- County Councillor Charles Mathew reported that good discussions had taken place regarding improvement to traffic movement and the possibility of introducing smart cards on the Toll Bridge.
- The Chairman asked if any further progress had been made on traffic calming at Merton Court where the Children's Assessment Centre is being built. David Tole to investigate.
- The Chairman asked if any further progress has been made on the ongoing maintenance of the roundabouts around the ring road. David Tole reported that the County Council is currently working on plans across the county to look at maintenance of roundabouts and verges as part of the Oxfordshire Together scheme.
- The Chairman raised the subject of parking on pavements. John Croxton confirmed that it is not an offence to park on a pavement but it is an offence to cause to obstruction. It was suggested that the local PCSOs continue to monitor this issue.

T16/05 Public Participation – None

T16/06 Correspondence – None

T16/07 The Parish Council has been discussing imposing a 20mph limit in the village for the past year and consultations with the community had been largely in favour. The chairman asked the Stagecoach representatives for their views and they felt that it would not have a negative impact on the movement of buses. The subject of enforcement was discussed. David Tole explained the process and enquired whether traffic calming measures would be used. It was discussed that in order to proceed a full public consultation would need to take place and the council might find that the wider community does not support the initiative. The police representative suggested that the council may wish to consider whether there are other ways to calm traffic.

Further contact is required with Anthony Kirkwood from Oxfordshire County Council.

T16/08 Oxfordshire County Council Highways report (attached).

T16/09 Sue Osborne reported that the signs have now been installed on the B4449 to help with crossing from the Bitterell to the Allotments and Wharf Stream Way.

T16/10 Martin Sutton from Stagecoach reported that the S1 and S2 main services into Oxford through Eynsham are not currently financially supported by Oxfordshire County Council and passenger numbers are continuing to grow so the service is not under threat.

The S18 route is a supported service which is about half way through a 6 year contract. Stagecoach has historically taken on some services commercially where they consider them to be viable. The S18 is not likely to be one of these services as it would cost too much to run.

The S7 service was discussed and councillors commented that it was a useful service but it operates at the wrong time for most potential users.

Stagecoach reported that they had taken on the S11 service in June 2014 although it is not a financially viable service.

T16/11 The committee discussed the A40 consultation and plans. Document attached.

The council asked that the county consults more effectively with the parish regarding future plans.

Date of next meeting – July 2016 TBC

The Meeting closed at 9.04pm