

Twyford Parish Council Highways Meeting Notes

A meeting hosted by Wokingham Borough Council held at 11:30am on Friday 8th October 2021 via Teams.

Attendees: Andy Glencross (Wokingham Borough Council), Bridget Ditcham (Twyford Parish Council), Charles Wickenden (Twyford Parish Council) & Lynn Povey (Assistant Clerk to Twyford Parish Council).

1. Welcome.

Mr Glencross welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies:

Mr M Gould & Mr M Heath.

3. Gateways.

3.1 London Road – Outstanding. Mrs L Povey to liaise with Jennifer.

3.2 Heritage Sign. Mr Glencross to investigate its whereabouts.

3.3 Twyford/Hurst border – Can Cuincy be added? Mr Glencross to liaise with Mr Heath.

Addition note: Residents' complaint regarding the positioning of the gateways near the Waggon & Horses – Mr Glencross confirmed that Highways investigated this and found that it was compliant. Resident notified of outcome by WBC. No further actions.

4. Streetlamps. Confirmation given that TPC will currently not be pursuing the take over of TPC lamps due to the costs involved. Mr Glencross stated that should it be a Borough wide request from Parishes, a combined letter should be sent to Mr Glencross to raise.

5. Hanging Baskets. Mr A Glencross to liaise with Dave Halley. Written confirmation to be sent to TPC allowing the erection of baskets on lampposts throughout the village providing an official supplier is used.

6. Ideas/Discussion on how to make the village more pedestrian friendly. Mr C Wickenden confirmed that TPC have put in a grant request for design consultancy to demonstrate how Twyford can become more pedestrian friendly. If successful with the grant, Mr C Wickenden to liaise with Mr A Glencross as to what consultants would provide a better service.

7. Speed Device (Hurst Road/Waltham Road). Installation due in November.

8. Blanket 20MPH through Village. Mr Glencross stated that there are certain roads within Twyford that would not be suitable for this scheme.

9. Weight Limit through Village. Mr A Glencross stated that this topic forms part of Congestion Management – Design work is now complete for the installation of CCTV traffic cameras at the crossroads and to upgrade the signal controller to enable remote operation. A new Vivacity sensor will shortly be installed to survey traffic flows and establish HGV content, pedestrian movements, and cyclist activity as a basis for consideration traffic management solutions such as freight routing.

10. Safe Route to School/Pedestrian Crossing (Wargrave Road). Mr A Glencross confirmed that the borough-wide programme of surveys has recommenced, and that the contractor expects to undertake surveys in early November. Two locations are being focused on in Wargrave Road, south of Amberley Drive and north of Longfield Road.

11. A4 Speeding/Safe Route. Mr A Glencross to liaise with Mr M Heath regarding A4 reduction to 40MPH and a reduction from 40MPH passed The Piggott School. Mr A

Glencross advised that WBC have yet to hold the necessary meeting with Thames Valley Police over speed limit changes and that there has been a change of personnel at TVP. WBC are seeking an opportunity to meet the new traffic management liaison officers.

12. Potential Bridge Farm Development – Impact. Mr A Glencross confirmed that Highways would ensure an appropriate infrastructure is put into place should the development be granted permission.

13. Keep Clear Signs.

13.1 Wargrave Road/Utilities Road (W2122993). Mr A Glencross to chase.

13.2 Section near Miles & Daughters (Needs re-doing). Mr A Glencross to confirm if this section of road forms part of the resurfacing work planned for 2022.

13.3 Sign needs re-doing for entrance at the side of Hunt & Nash. Mr A Glencross to confirm if this section of road forms part of the resurfacing work planned for 2022.

14. Parking on pavements & verges. Mr A Glencross confirmed that if no parking restrictions are in place, it is not illegal for vehicles to park on pavement and verges. Only if it causes an obstruction does it become a police matter. If, however, the area is marked with double yellow lines, a ticket would/could be issued. TPC to report any problem areas to WBC.

15. AOB. None.

Next meeting to be held in January 2022.

Mr Glencross thanked everyone for attending.

Meeting closed 12:40