

## Twyford Parish Council Highways Meeting Notes

A meeting hosted by Wokingham Borough Council held at 11:30am on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022 via Teams.

Attendees: Martin Heath (Wokingham Borough Council), Matthew Gould (Wokingham Borough Council), Charles Wickenden (Twyford Parish Council), Bridget Ditcham (Twyford Parish Council) & Lynn Povey (Assistant Clerk to Twyford Parish Council).

### 1. **Welcome.**

Mr M Gould welcomed everyone to the meeting and handed over to Mr M Heath to lead.

### 2. **Apologies:**

Chris Easton (Wokingham Borough Council).

### 3. **Village Centre Traffic Improvements. Discussion points as follows:**

#### 3.1 **Heavy Goods Vehicle ban.**

- Environmental Ban (TPC). Carried forward.
- Declassification from A-Roads to B-Roads (MH). WBC to investigate the environmental impact – Surveys of the A3032 to be arranged and alternative routes to direct traffic to be looked at.
- Direction signage within village (WBC). WBC to complete an inventory of highway signs within Twyford.

**3.2 Parking facilities – Need for increase.** Update from WBC following the consultation. The commencement of the consultation was delayed – actual start date was 29.10.22 & will run for 6-weeks. WBC Officers to be available to the public in Twyford Library once a week to discuss proposals (<https://engage.wokingham.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/twyford-parking-survey>).

**3.3 Blanket 20MPH through Village** – Update on trial being carried out in Wargrave (WBC). It was reported that surveys have been carried out in Wargrave – Public Consultation to commence in the new year.

### 4. **Gateways.**

**4.1 Old Bath Road** – 40MPH signs missing. WBC to investigate – Mrs L Povey to email details

**4.2 Heritage Sign** – Update (WBC). Mr M Heath confirmed that the contractors no longer have the sign and finding a manufacturer to make a like for like sign has proven unsuccessful.

**4.3 Twyford/Hurst border – Can Cuincy be added?** – Update on quotes (MH). Mr M Heath provided the following approximate costs for ‘Twinned with Cuincy’ to be added to both sides of the Hurst Road gateway for consideration:

- Overlay and installation - £200
- Additional Plate and installation - £1200

Further costings to be provided for a ‘Community Speed Watch’ sign.

### 5. **Streetlamps.**

**5.1 Non-WBC Lamps** – Update on ownership consideration (WBC).

- It was confirmed that WBC were not minded to take over ownership – To clarify/forward communication.
- Mr M Heath raised the option of introducing Part-Time Lighting to help reduce costs – checks to be made with the Street Lighting Team to see who would be responsible for finding out the crime rates, carrying out surveys etc.

**5.2 Turn your engine off signs** – Update (WBC). WBC to get contractors to remove all of the signs from the village along with developer signs.

**6. Speeding on the Wargrave Road & Hurst Road** – To discuss speed calming options. WBC to arrange for surveys to be carried out.

7. **Safe Route to School/Pedestrian Crossing (Wargrave Road)** – Update following reappraisal (WBC). WBC to locate a suitable site between Longfield Road & the A4 for a survey to be carried out.
8. **A4 Speeding/Safe Route** – Update (TPC).
  - WBC to arrange a meeting with the Police who have been investigating speeds etc and report back.
  - TPC to liaise with Cllr Paul Fishwick (Executive Member for Highways).
9. **Parking on pavements & verges** – Update (WBC):
  - 9.1 **Longfield Road with Hilltop Road – Junction.**
  - 9.2 **Colleton Drive – Outside School.**
  - 9.3 **London Road – Outside shops.**

No notices have been issued. To inform WBC of any problematic areas.

10. **Bridge Copse Boundary Fence** – Mrs B Ditcham raised health & safety concerns regarding the broken/missing fencing in the area opposite the Waggon & Horses. WBC to investigate who is responsible for the fencing and report back.
11. **London Road bench – Outside Almshouses** – Mr M Heath to investigate repairs.

Next meeting to be held 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023.

Mr Gould thanked everyone for attending.

**Meeting closed 13:09**