

Unapproved minutes of The Traffic and Highways Committee Meeting held remotely on Monday 31st January 2022

Present

Cllr K Elvin, Cllr L Kneen, Cllr B Millin (Chairman), Cllr N Pellew, Cllr L Walters, Mrs B Frame, Mr M Hall, Mrs S Cook (Clerk) and Ms E Cope (Deputy Clerk).

TH032/2021 To note apologies for absence

There were no apologies

TH033/2021 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 15th November 2021

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved

TH034/2021 Update from previous meeting

The Deputy Clerk updated Cllrs on the recent meeting with Emma Duncan, noting the A308 study is to be made public in March. RBWM have also requested Borough Cllrs report any issues of pavement parking for follow up by parking enforcement. Cllrs expressed disappointment at the delays and continued lack of communication by RBWM. Cllr Elvin reported that he would attend the Peer review update meeting on the 2nd February.

TH035/2021 Air quality monitoring

Cllr Pellew expressed concerns that as traffic volumes return to post Covid levels this will only result in a further decrease in air quality. The Clerk reported that currently based on figures received, all areas are above World Health Organisation (WHO) recommended levels, it was noted that RBWM do not currently recognise the revised WHO targets. It was agreed that these figures should be made public via press releases and social media. Highlighting also, that currently pollution from aircraft is not monitored, only traffic.

Action: Clerk to prepare draft press release to be circulated and approved prior to release.

TH036/2021 Speed surveys

Cllr Millin met with a Highways Officer the lack of results being circulated to Parish Councils, it has been agreed going forwards, summary results will be sent. RBWM to implement the proposed and previously agreed A308 speed from 40mph to 30mph. Cllr Millin proposed Bray Parish Council to object and request further review. Cllr Elvin stated that the report did not appear to factor the road width, cycle path, traffic type or pedestrians. The Clerk reported correspondence has been received from residents regarding recent road closures (M4) and continued roadworks affecting flow of traffic. Cllr Millin requested the Clerk be sent full data relation to high and low speeds.

TH037/2021 Traffic calming Hibbert Road

Cllr Millin has been discussing with residents, continuing dangerous parking. Further work to be completed and updated at the next meeting.

TH038/2021 Parking Tithe Barn Rd

Cllr Millin reported that Tithe Barn Rd appears to be used by visitors to the shops in Windsor Rd The proposal is to extend the current parking restrictions to improve junction safety.

TH039/2021 Re-introduction of SID and other traffic measures

The Clerk supplied a list of existing sites prior to the meeting and asked if the SID should be re-established or whether the Parish Council should undertake speed monitoring instead. Cllr Millin requested that Simone Surveys are asked to provide details of costs etc for traffic surveys to take place. Cllr Kneen noted that although Holyport Road by Holyport Lodge had been included in a previous speed surveys, it should be re-considered due to multiple accidents, including recently when a local child was knocked off their bicycle and hospitalised.

TH040/2021 Priority list

The Clerk will report the recent accident at Fifield Crossroads to RBWM and update the lists. Mrs Frame advised that this is the second recent incident involving a motorcyclist.

TH041/2021 Date of next meeting Wednesday 4th May 2022

Cllr Elvin gave his apologies for being unable to attend.

The meeting finished at 1:55pm