

**Minutes of the Saltash Area Road Safety Committee meeting held on**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 at the Guildhall, Saltash**

**Present:** Derek Holley (DH), John Robinson (JR), Gerry Stevenson (GS), Alan Hodge (AH), Graham MacKeen (GM), Adrian Foss (AF), Adrian Foss (AF), Malcolm Batten (MB), Mary Wells (MW) PCSO, Tim Fleckney (TF – visit from Tideford), Rosemary Savery (RS), Hilary Franks (HF) and Helen Moram (HM).

**Apologies:** None received

1. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were agreed as an accurate record.
2. Speed Watch report.

No further speed watch has taken place due to poor weather and lack of volunteers (3 in area). AF gave verbal report to committee. **Action:** DH to write to Police regarding renewal of volunteer ID.

Hatt A388. JR wrote to Highways/Cornwall Council to ask if they can buy speed advisory sign, guidance on where to install them is required, however no response received to date. Speed of cars approaching Hatt roundabout is a continuing problem, (speed watch hasn't taken place due to lack of volunteers). Parish Council to include information in their newsletter requesting additional speed watch volunteers.

Polbathic Village – AH to check for update. Camera Safety Partnership has been monitoring. Angela Crow to obtain figures and MW will report back at next meeting.

Bag Lane. Volunteers have been given permission to use resident's driveway to undertake a speed watch.

Janeva Court – Cornwall Council are looking at installing a traffic island to help residents cross to the church and this may help reduce speed.

3. Tideford Pollution Problems. The officers in Cornwall Council are well aware of the pollution problem at Tideford however they are unsure of the best way forward. Two options: 1) to bypass the village (medium/long term); 2) for the houses alongside the road to be pressurised.

TF received all correspondence regarding pollution problems in Tideford through a Freedom of Information Request. The measure of pollution is extremely high 81 Nitrogen Dioxide (40 is the target). DH stated that this group need to know what the short and medium term solutions are. The volume of traffic has increased to the point where there are no gaps in the traffic to cross the road (TF). DH stated that matters of pollution isn't part of the SARS remit however were safety is affected involvement was possible. DH/HF will continue to fight the current situation at meetings with Highways. **Action:** DH to write to Sheryl Murray in response to her letter. TF stated that there are 9 children school age that need to cross the road and 3 out of 9 have a health issue. Letter to be copied Jeremy Edwards and Sally

Parish, AQ – Environmental officer Eloise Travis (area quality management). TF stated that an Air quality plan was set up in 2013 with 10 actions which are meant to reduce ND however it has increased. New action plan in March 2017 now only as six actions from the original plan (traffic light control through village was removed, widening of road and extending the speed limit).

DH thanked TF for all his hard work. Please let DH know where to get the equipment which he has in his house.

There is a nursery in the village.

TF there are no legalisation with regard to pollution within the houses.

Tideford village is also only 5 metres above sea level and therefore pollution does not have anywhere to go.

3. Carkeel roundabout.

- 3.1 Good progress being made and may be completed before Christmas. Highways England does not want anything on the roundabout apart from shrubs. There is another meeting in July which DH will be attending so pass any questions to DH. Installation of intelligent traffic lights on the roundabout will take place. Widening of the road outside of Lidl was suggested but this has been removed from the plan. The work on the Mini roundabout to the Broadmoor development will commence once Carkeel is finished.

Improved cycle path between Saltash and Callington will now not come to Carkeel roundabout but come through Broadmoor and Latchbrook. Raise any concerns with HF and DH.

4. Landrake village.

Playing Fields still on going.

Discussion took place around the by-pass for Tideford and Landrake and its design, this bypass is currently on hold it was suggested back in 1993.

MP in parliament mentioned the pollution problems in Devon and Cornwall.

5. Parent parking situation around schools in the area.

Parent parking not a problem when PSCO on site and they try to visit as often as possible. HF asked about St Stephens School who have introduced a drop off system in the car park and is manned by school staff. Problem worse after school around 3.15, there are also more problems after the after school clubs, HT would like the field by Flying Starts to change into a car park although HT hasn't spoken to Cornwall College yet. HF put TRO on hold for Long Park Road.

Bishop Cornish, double parking continues to be a problem and continue to remind parents to park sensibly. HF looking at a park and stride from the guide headquarters, so parents park in the car park and walk their children to school. Walking bus for Bishop Cornish will start again after Easter.

St Germans ok at the moment.

6. St Stephens Road, Saltash.

The white line has improved the situation slightly according to AF but not greatly. A local resident (AF) does not feel that it has made any difference. AF would like the road to be 20mph; this may not be possible on a C road (DH to check). DH stated that the Police in Cornwall are not supporting any more 20mph because Police can't monitor. **Action:** DH to write to Adrian Drake for a definite answer to whether this road can be made into a 20mph. HF stated that the 30mph / 20mph zone outside of the school changes to 30mph right in front of the school before the roundabout.

**Action:** HF to write to Kate Littledyke regarding St Stephens Road pavement and not walking 3 abreast.

7. Taylor Road, Saltash. DH asked MW whether Angela Crow had sent any PSCOs to Taylor Road recently. MW stated that they had visited however Sgt Crow suggested that this should be made into a cu-de-sac which would resolve the problem. DH suggested that PSCOs visit once a year to ticket cars.

8. Cycle Way. Feasibility study underway and they will try and keep cyclists separate from the main road; however there will be several areas which will go onto the road.

Million pound grant for improving cycle routes throughout Saltash, improvement being prioritised. No final plan as yet.

9. Longstone Park Gates. Work still hasn't taken place. **Action:** DH to write to Adrian Drake regarding repair of gates to stop children and dogs running out onto the road.

10. The proposed removal of the School Crossing Patrol at Oaklands Drive will go ahead.

11. Double white lines north of Homeleigh Cottages. GS confirmed that Adrian Drake stated that they will not do anything unless accidents increase. DH reminded members to report all incidents.

12. School Children walking to Landulph from Hatt. Councillor writing to Cornwall Council re. child walking from Hatt to Landulph. Appeal going to the Ombudsman re. safety concerns. (Sarah Ham). Letter from Parish Council and Councillor done in support will be sent. JR – no update from Ombudsman. HF asked if their County Councillor had been helpful, only just started to attend.

13. North Road being used as a rat run from the Tamar Bridge. HF there was an accident yesterday by the turning to China Fleet. DH stated that North Road is being monitored by Tamar Bridge.

14. One-way Layby prior to Pillaton turning on A388 just north of the Hatt roundabout. There is a snack bar in the layby (opposite the closed Pasties Shop). Hatt & Botus Fleming Parish concerned and want the layby monitored due to possible accidents.

15. Tideford. AH informed the committee that Bake Farm (Trerulefoot) had want to install new and additional generators. DH stated that permission hasn't been granted. AH to check that the appeal was rejected.

### **Any Other Business**

16. GM stated that there are problems with large lorries coming in to the village to avoid low bridge, sign missing. **Action:** DH to request sign to Bag Lane crossroads to improve the signage: Lanjore Crossroads.
17. Speeding on Burraton Road between the two roundabouts. DH asked whether this was an improved site for speed watch. Around the Auction site the yellow lines are being parked on (Tuesday Pm and Thursday AM). **Action:** PCSO will visit on these days.
18. HF as received complaint from residents at 165 St Stephens Road of cars speeding down from the Spar at night along by the church towards the pub. **Action:** MW to flag with Sgt Crow.
19. Residents on Callington Road are experiencing problems crossing the road to the Health Centre, there is currently a road island, DH has written regarding the installation of a zebra crossing. **Action:** DH to write regarding improving the crossing outside the Police Station, what are the criteria for zebra crossing.
20. Mortimore Close, could lines be installed in front of 15, 17 and 19 to stop people parking there because cars can't turn round. Residents could put signs out themselves. DH/HF to meet outside of this meeting to discuss.
21. HF suggested that we write and ask Adrian Drake to attend one of these meetings. At the next meeting look at this and perhaps put a list together and make the invitation.
22. GM stated that a pathway onto the main road near the railway bridge is being investigation. Parish Council currently talking to the railway who owns the land to help residents/travellers to cross the road. There was a suggested of installing a mirror.
23. HF mentioned Windsor Lane and a mirror in front of Malvern House. **Action:** DH to investigate and report back.
24. MW stated that regular police presences at these meetings can no longer be guaranteed. Sgt Angela Crow retiring in June and will not be replaced. Sgt Jo Williams will be looking after the four areas: Torpoint, Saltash, Liskeard and plus another.
25. AF mentioned about the speedwatch equipment which is currently kept in the garage at the Police Station. MW stated that there won't be a problem because the station will still be manned. MW to thank Sgt Crow from SARS.
26. RS mentioned the road into Landrake from main road pass the village shop, speeding along the road, new houses being built but no pavement put in place. DH

suggested that Parish Council requested speed humps on this road with Highways/Cormac.

27. MB stated that the speeding problem along the road outside his house is dangerous, mostly motor bikes. AF stated that a speed watch took place in November and it can be added to the list. Evening is worse than day time.
28. GS asked what is happening to Police Liaison Groups – HF to investigate and report back. **Action:** HF to raise at Town Council on Thursday if Police are present.
29. Future Meeting Dates

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018

All meetings take place at Saltash Guildhall starting at 7.30pm.