

Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of the Station Road Sub-Committee of the Traffic Management, Parking & Pedestrian Safety Committee of the Goring On Thames Parish Council

Tuesday 08<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 3:00pm, Virtual Meeting

**Members Present:** 

Chairman John Boler (JB)

Members Cllr Bryan Urbick (BU)

Cllr Sonia Lofthouse (SL)
Cllr David Brooker (DB)

John Boler (JB) Briony Cooke (BC)

Officers Present: None; the Meeting was recorded for the purposes of minute writing.

**Public and Press:** Total: 0

Meeting started 10:35

#### SR.02.1. To elect a Chairman of the Committee

Note, this will be elected at each meeting, alternating between a GPC Councillor, and a MIGGS Committee member.

Resolved: To Elect J Boler as the Chairman of this meeting, Unanimous

SR.02.2. To receive apologies for absence and to approve the reasons given. [LGA 1972 s85(1)]

Apologies received from: Angie Tomlinson (AT)

## SR.02.3. Declarations of Interests [LA 2011 s31]

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interest they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for dispensations that accord the Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e). (NB this does not preclude any later declarations)

None

SR.02.4. To approve the minutes of previous Sub-Committee Meetings [LA 1972 Sch 12. Para 41(1)]

SR.02.4.1. 09<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**Resolved:** Approved subject to updating typographical Error and noting "Confirm the costs for pavement renovations on station approach" needs to be added to the next agenda, Unanimous.

SR.02.5. To review actions taken since the last meeting, principally meeting with OCC Highways 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Appendix A

SR.02.5.1. Yew Tree Court junction.

Road markings have been refreshed in this location.

David Brooker, Chairman 26 October 2021



#### SR.02.5.2. Station Road

Surface

To have the road completely resurfaced would be subject to a much higher level budget and authorisation at OCC. Not useful to pursue at this stage. The Bumps at the entrance and exit of the wheel orchard carpark were to be reported on FixMyStreet to try to get them removed. OCC Closed the report, with no action. The SubCommittee was asked if this item should be pursued again. IT was commented that that could be pursued at the same time as the pedestrian priority lane.

#### Speed Limit

It was suggested that if a speed survey was completed and showed that the majority of users were travelling at about 21-23 miles per hour, the administratively a 20mph limit could be imposed easily on that road. If users were travelling faster than that generally, a 20mph limit would need the full consultation.

## [SL Left the meeting]

It was voiced that it should be a priority to concentrate on the PPL, rather than pursuing separately. It was proposed to ask the council to complete the speed survey as the full council is already planning to do a speed survey on the Wallingford Road.

#### [SL Returned to the meeting]

It was suggested that MIGGS might be able to contribute to the cost of the survey.

It was noted that regarding the surface, there are very few dropped curbs and when looking at surfaces, to ensure not just looking at it from a vehicle perspective.

The recent news item of "low traffic neighbourhoods" [LTN] was discussed, it was suggested that some people may prefer low traffic, rather then pedestrianisation in this location and should all be considered. Concerns were raised over the use of Station Road for farm vehicle delivering to/from manor road, and shared use should be considered when coming up with plans.

## SR.02.5.3. Pedestrian Priority Lane (PPL)

- PPL Form
- Relocation of Parking Spaces
- Overgrowth of vegetation and obstacles

#### Proposed process:



Informal consultation on the parking spaces and PPL; this would then inform the Parish Council as to whether to formerly request OCC to pursue a temporary trial PPL and moving the parking spaces on Station Road. If this was successful a full public consultation circa £3000.

It was further proposed to talk to OCC Highways regarding an LTN or a PPL

**Resolved:** Approved to approach OCC Highways to ask for the information to enable the sub committee to look comparatively between the two options of LTN and a conservation area suitable PPL. Unanimous.

Overgrowth of vegetation. To ask the clerk to send the standard letter to "The Old Farm House, Station Road"

SR.02.6. To receive feedback from Conservation Area Appraisal Working Group member on progress and implications for Station Road of the Appraisal and agree actions. Appendix B

Painting the road for a PPL, would contravene the rules of the conservation area, so unlikely to get approval. To consider what Whitchurch has done to delineate the different parts of the road / pavement. It is likely that this approach is the only one which would get approval in the conservation area.

SR.02.7. To consider in for appropriate approve a proposal to the Council on way forward, including:

The sub-committee confirmed that this item, including SR.02.7.1 and SR.02.7.2 were redundant at this time.

SR.02.7.1. The Sub-Committee asks the council to instruct a suitably qualified highway consultant to investigate and prepare a proposal, with minimum visual and material impact due to Conservation Area status, for a trial Pedestrian Priority Lane (PPL) for improving pedestrian safety in Station Road.

## SR.02.7.2. Data to be provided to the consultant to include:

- Account of the site inspection by OCC Highways, on 7<sup>th</sup> May
- the feedback on the conservation area review
- the informal public consultations by MIGGS

#### SR.02.8. Matters for future discussion.

[ACTION] Proposal to be submitted by MIGGS to divert the £3000 previously promised to GPC for the Wallingford Road widening to the Station Road activities.

Discuss and agree the form of informal consultation so that the consultation can be completed in the autumn.



Consider asking the Parish Council to formally apply to OCC for the high street to become a no loading, no waiting zone.

# SR.02.9. To confirm the time and date of the next meeting

It may be agreed to decide the date of the next meeting as needed by e-mail between the sub-committee members, in conjunction with the Clerk.

**Meeting Closed**: 16:15