

Full Council Meeting 11th March 2024

Traffic Management, Parking and Pedestrian Safety Committee Report

The Committee met on the 20th February.

OCC Highways Site Visit: The junctions at the High Street/Wallingford Road, Red Cross Road/High Street and Mill Road/Wallingford Road were looked at. Installing traffic lights at the High Street/Wallingford Road junction would be unlikely without there being evidence of a significant risk of serious accidents. Visibility at the Red Cross junction could be improved by trimming hedges but there was nothing that could be done to improve visibility at the Mill Road Junction.

EV Chargers: It was considered whether to assess the need for EV chargers in the Village. This arose because OCCH said that Glebe Ride was unsuitable. The status of proposals for the Wheel Orchard Carpark was uncertain. The Assistant Clerk was asked to contact OCCH to find out what their plans for locating chargers in the Village were. Contact has been made but no response.

Speed Signs: The Assistant Clerk was authorised to order speed signs. Four signs (two solar powered signs in the High Street and two by the School, replacing the existing ones) have been ordered. Installation will follow the provision of supporting posts for the two solar signs by OCCH.

Hedgehog signs: There is evidence that Hedgehog Signs are effective in reducing vehicle speeds. The Assistant Clerk was asked to explore this and the scope for involving the school as a pupil project.

Yellow Lines Consultation: The consultation on the revisions and additions to yellow lines is expected to be issued later this month. It will include the plans for a trial pedestrian priority lane in Station Road.

Gatehampton Road: GWR have agreed in principle to the marking of a pedestrian priority lane on their land. A dropped kerb will be needed on Gatehampton Road. GWR have been asked about the possibility of their contractors doing the work and the cost.

Car parking spaces Sheepcot Field: An order for the marking of carparking spaces and double yellow lines on the access road will be placed now the weather is warmer and after work clearing brambles has been completed.