

TMPPS Committee Meeting 20th February 2024

Site Visit with OCC Highways Officer 26th January: Points discussed:

1. Speed signs: The Parish Council intends to proceed with speed signs on the High Street (Social Club and Miller of Mansfield sites) and replacing the two existing school signs as previously discussed with OCC Highways. The two High Street signs will be solar powered and therefore need supporting posts installed as previously agreed. OCC was asked to proceed with their installation.
2. Station Road PPL: The proposal for a PPL will be included in the wider consultation on yellow lines throughout the village to take place in the next month. Subject to that, Station Road will need to be re-surfaced in places before having yellow lines and the PPL marked out.
3. Gatehampton Rd: The siting of the proposed PPL on GWR land to link with a dropped Kerb on the pavement opposite on Gatehampton Road was looked at. Installing a dropped Kerb would be a Highways matter OCC was asked to check on the 2025-26 programme to see if this could be fitted in. However, we did discuss the possibility of the Parish funding this, at a cost of about £3K, using CIL funds.
4. Junction of Wallingford Rd and the High Street: The Council had considered putting in a three-way traffic light system to prevent large vehicles having to mount the kerb as they made the turn into the High Street because of oncoming traffic. OCC advice was that this would be expensive, and it would therefore be unlikely that OCC would consider it without there being a significant risk of serious accidents.
5. Junction of Red Cross Rd and the High Street: A resident has complained about the visibility when exiting Red Cross Rd; we did discuss slight changes to the give way road markings, but OCC pointed out that the hedge on a neighbouring property could be trimmed to enable a better view of oncoming traffic. The possibility of installing a mirror had been raised by a resident but that was considered impractical and contrary to OCC policy.
6. Junction of Mill Rd and Wallingford Rd: We agreed that there was nothing that could be done to improve visibility for vehicles leaving Mill Rd. We hoped the installation of new speed signs by the school would slow traffic down and reduce the risk of accidents.
7. The white 'gate' at the entrance to the Village on the Reading Rd: This needs repair and repainting. OCC agreed that, provided the Council maintained its intended appearance, it could do the necessary work and notify OCC accordingly.