Full Council Meeting Monday 11th May 2024

Traffic Management, Parking and Pedestrian Safety Committee: update

Parking Restrictions Consultation

OCC Highways advertised the proposed changes and additions to parking restrictions in the Village on 20th March. The closing date for responses was 19th April although OCC Highways have allowed responses up to the 30th April. Significant numbers of objections were made to OCC and to the Parish Council, including a petition, about the proposals for changes in Glebe Ride. Residents of The Birches objected to the proposed replacement of unrestricted space with time-limited parking bays. A meeting between the Committee and the responsible officer in OCC Highways was held on 1st May and an amended proposal wasa put forward to take account of residents' concerns. *This is subject to a resolution on the Agenda*

Flashing Speed signs

Signs have been ordered. There will be two solar powered signs on the High Street at the entrances to the Village, one after the Thames Bridge and one after the Railway bridge. Two mains powered signs will replace the existing school signs on Wallingford Road. Installation will follow once OCC Highways has erected posts to support the solar powered signs, one sign by the Thames Bridge is now in place, but problems with the original location by the Social Club meant another suitable location nearby had to be agreed. That has now been done and the post will be installed shortly.

Pedestrian Crossing Gatehampton Rd

GWR have agreed to the marking of a PPL across their land and it is proposed to fund a dropped kerb on the opposite side of the Road to connect with the PPL. Approval to the expenditure was granted at the 16th April Full Council and it was agreed that GWR would use their contractors as the work was on their land. GWR have been asked to commence the work.

Hedgehog Signs

The Committee has investigated the use of hedgehog signs which, following changes in the law, can now be erected by local councils without having to apply to the Department for Transport. Initially it is proposed to put signs in Manor Rd, Cleeve Rd and Elvendon Rd, exact locations to be determined.

Carpark marking Sheepcot Field

An order for the marking of parking bays (including an additional disabled space) and double yellow lines on the access road has been placed, the brambles have been cleared and the Carpark will be closed for re-painting on 16th May. Users of Sheepcot Field have been notified.