

BRAMHAM CUM OGLETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

WORKING GROUP - TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Briefing minutes of the meeting held by Zoom on 10th December 2020 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr M Corrigan, Cllr S Jones & Cllr L Richards

Apologies: N/A

It was reported that:

1. The collective notes of the “open” meeting, held by Zoom on 30th November 2020 have been forwarded to the Clerk for distribution to all other Councillors as requested by Council.
2. The “Follow up” article to the November meeting (submitted to both the Clerk and Anne Palmer [Editor, Bramham Parish Magazine]) has been accepted for publication in the January issue (issue No. 216).
3. Due to Cllr Richard’s intervention there is now a firm commitment and agreement by Highways to amend the 30mph roundel on Bramham Road to 20 mph, as it should have been done when the 20mph zone was initially implemented. This may not be completed until the New Year.
4. A site meeting has been arranged for 13.15pm on Thursday 17th December 2020 to decide on the optimum positioning of the second SID on the approach to the school on Bramham Road from the Clifford direction.
5. Anne Palmer (Parish Magazine) has been asked that if Council agreed to a speed awareness campaign would the Parish Magazine help by including a series of relevant articles, month by month over a significant period. Absolutely!
6. Cllr Corrigan has again walked the village confirming the significant areas of concern and particularly noted the excessive speed of the cars traveling along Bowcliffe Road between Paradise Way and the Square, in both directions.

AREAS OF GENERAL AND SIGNIFICANT CONCERN WERE IDENTIFIED

Paradise Way/Bowcliffe Road Junction:

- Signage and lighting
- The outcome of the police investigation of the recent accident was being delayed because one of those injured remains an inpatient and cannot be interviewed; any recommendations that might be made regarding speed limits and/or a possible speed camera are pending the outcome of the investigation.

Bowcliffe Road (Paradise Way to the Square):

- Poor lighting and positioning of signage at Paradise Road end.

Toulston lane/Windmill Road/Vicarage Lane and Aberford Road junction:

- Poor positioning of signage at/on the junction.

Clifford Road/Bramham Road - school area:

- Change to road markings and positioning of second SID have been arranged (see above).

Current speed limits on surrounding roads not included in the 20mph zone:

- Paradise Way, Aberford Road, Windmill Road and Toulston lane.

Volume of traffic using Lyndon Avenue and Lyndon Road:

- Possible “rat run” through the village putting children at risk.
- Possibility of “Resident Access Only” signage.

IT WAS AGREED TO:

Write to the Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) and Leeds City Council (LCC) Highways to seek and arrange a meeting to discuss the signage concerns detailed above and the excessive vehicle speed within and surrounding the village.

Write to LCC Highways:

- Seeking the use of a portable SID over a period of time to establish a data base of speeds on the major roads; including Bowcliffe Road, Front Street, Clifford Road, Back Lane, Vicarage Lane, Aberford Road, Paradise Way, Windmill Road and Toulston Lane.
- Enquiring about “Speed Watch” schemes - possibly for Bramham.
- Enquiring about the rationale for the speed limits currently imposed on the surrounding roads and the possibility of them being altered in the light of public opinion.

Cllr Corrigan and Cllr Jones would arrange to count the cars entering and leaving Lyndon Avenue/ Lyndon Road at particular times of the day, both when the school is open and closed.

Consider how a “Speed Awareness” campaign within the village might be arranged and to approach Council in January for outline approval.

NEXT MEETING - TBA

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