

# **FLEET TOWN COUNCIL-HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIP MEETING**

**Tuesday 1 October 2013 3pm at The Harlington**

## **PRESENT**

Cllr Schofield (Chairman)  
James Holt HCC  
Dean Cronk HCC  
Cllr Glenn HDC  
Cllr Gotel FTC  
Cllr Pierce FTC  
Cllr Parker HDC  
Cllr Tilley HDC  
John Foggo HDC  
Cllr Wheale HCC/HDC  
Cllr Radley HDC  
Noel Griffiths Hampshire Police  
Cllr Woods FTC  
Cllr Axam FTC/HDC

Sheila Rayner FTC Committee Clerk

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Collett and Bennison, Elvetham Heath Parish Council and Andrew Kettlewell

### **2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest

### **3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 2 July 2013 were approved

### **4 UPDATE FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

- 20mph speed zone

Cllr Wheale will inform the group when the trial commencement date is known

- Cycle route

Route now open but still to be adopted following snagging. Excellent feedback from users and parents

- Hitches Lane crossing

Cllr Wheale to circulate the outcome of the analysis prior to public consultation

- Avondale Road

Agreed that blue signs for cyclists caused confusion. To be followed up with Helen Merrill

- Railway Station

Cllr Wheale reported that a Network Rail representative had attended a recent Road Safety Committee meeting and she agreed to circulate the update that had been presented

- Fleet Town centre update

Cllr Glenn confirmed that earlier issues had been resolved. Motor cycles can no longer park on the pavement in the High Street, but free parking for motor cycles had been provided in car parks. HDC undertook to provide information on enforcement rates in the Public Car parks since introduction of the new parking regime.

- School parking

FTC had prepared proposals for and drop off zone and occasional parking outside All Saints School. HCC Education had passed these on to a traffic engineer for review. Fleet Football Club still needed to be approached regarding a possible park and stride scheme

- Cllr Wheale reported that vehicles were parking across driveways in Merivale and a recommendation to amend yellow lines at the Spinney were being formulated.
- Maintenance programme  
James Holt agreed to amend the list and circulate to members of the group
- FTAP update  
Cllr Schofield had circulated an email from Hannah Baker forwarded to him by Cllr Wheale. The situation regarding inclusion and prioritisation was still not clear.

- Bus services

Cllr Woods and others commented on the lack of information from Stagecoach and Cllr Radley had issues about the lack of concern for passengers especially during this period of road closures..

Agreed that arrangements should be made for the Blackwater Transport Forum to invite a member of the group to attend their meetings and that Stagecoach be invited to the next meeting of HDAPTC

- Lengthsman scheme  
FTC had still not been officially informed that the scheme would continue in the current year(2013/2014) HCC agreed to follow this up
- Some progress was reported on the Gateway Signs. Higher definition copies of the Council logos had been provided.

## 5 REVIEW OF MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF ROAD CLOSURES

It was explained that HCC used a software system that sought to manage closures and diversions to minimise disruption. Every effort is made to ensure that lengthy works are programmed to take place during school holidays. Noted that Windy Gap started on 30th September, but the contractor had already been asked to delay the start of the working day to avoid the rush hour peak traffic. Gally Hill works were ahead of schedule and would finish in mid November.

Concerns expressed about general lack of information to residents with few letter drops being carried out. As up to 14 months of significant delays are expected in and around Fleet an explanation is being prepared for insertion in the local newspaper etc.

## 6 REVIEW OF MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF HCC HIGHWAYS TERM CONTRACTOR

Concerns were expressed about the length of time some projects were taking in particular Ancells Layby and Kings Road manhole works. The main issue appeared to be a lack of control of the term contractor. A communication with the Assistant Director of Highways had elicited some action

HCC took note of the concerns

## 7 REVIEW PROCESS FOR INCLUSION AND PRIORITISATION OF PROJECTS INTO THE HART TRANSPORT STATEMENT

There was concern about the lack of understanding of the process for adding projects to the Transport Statements which appeared to be ad hoc. It was explained that HCC has combined FTAP and all the minor works schemes and HCC will be prioritising the minor

works schemes (less than £50,000 and potentially implementable within a financial year) at a meeting on 4 December 2013.

Cllr Wheale agreed to find out how major projects (over £50,000) were treated. It was generally stated that there were no major works outside s106 funding. Noted that FTC would be informed if schemes were included for the Fleet area.

## 8 HCC TRAFFIC STUDY

Members asked Cllr Wheale to establish what outcomes would be derived from the recent Phase 2 Traffic Survey and when these results may be available. Information to be circulated to members

## 9 HDC PARKING REVIEW

Complaints regarding inconsiderate parking at school drop off and collection time had resumed with the return to school. It was questioned if HDC's parking review would continue to investigate potential solutions. It was reported that Heatherside and Fleet Infants were interested in discussing parking solutions. Cllr Wheale reported HCC had introduced policy that schools must now provide on-site parking for all staff as a start to reducing parking impacts on areas adjacent to schools.

It was confirmed that HDC were continuing their deliberations over parking and FTC would be involved in the near future.

## 10 PARISH CONCERNS

- PC Noel Griffiths reported that there were now over 10 volunteers from the Fitzroy Road Residents Association. Issues around tabards and vetting had been addressed, training was now planned and literature was being prepared. The pilot scheme should be ready to go live by November and he hoped that following this other areas would be able to attract volunteers.
- Cllr Radley confirmed Church Crookham's ongoing concern about lack of information and temporary traffic lights malfunctioning especially over a weekend. She was advised to inform the HCC Emergency Standby number of such incidents.
- Cllr Schofield reported that he had been made aware of an HCC website consultation on the Highway Maintenance Management Plan and The Traffic Management Policy Guidance which closes on 6 October. Because of the volume of the documents it was not possible to make a meaningful response in the time available but he commended reference to the site as these were valuable documents in understanding HCC procedures. It was requested that HDC include the parishes in any notification of any highway consultations.

## 11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 7 January 2014 at 3pm