

MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE** held at County Hall, Matlock on 18 April 2019

PRESENT

Cabinet Member - Councillor S A Spencer

Also in attendance - Councillor T Ainsworth and G Hickton.

16/19 PETITIONS RESOLVED (1) to receive the under-mentioned petition:-

Location/Subject	Signatures	Local Member
Killamarsh, Nethermoor Lane – Traffic Safety Issues	45	Councillor D Charles and B Ridgway
Save Derby Lodge Tearooms at Shipley Park	2254	Councillor A Stevenson
Chesterfield, Heaton Street – Request for One Way Traffic System	77	Councillor J Boulton

(2) that the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment investigates and considers the matters raised in the petition.

17/19 MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Infrastructure held on 28 February 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

18/19 PETITION REGARDING ROAD SAFETY CONCERNS – GREEN LANE, CHINLEY Following the receipt of a petition requesting measures to improve road safety on Green Lane, Chinley investigation have been undertaken.

The planning consent for the Forge Site development included highway works on Green Lane to help to improve the safety of pedestrians accessing the site. The works include additional road humps and some white lining indicating where pedestrians might walk in the absence of a dedicated footway. These measures should be completed in the near future and should help to regulate vehicle speeds and highlight an area for pedestrians to walk safely.

The provision of a footpath to the rear of the development, to provide a pedestrian link to Buxton Road, which appeared in the original planning application, was ruled unnecessary by the Planning Inspector. However, following discussions with the Local Member, Councillor Alison Fox, it was felt that funding for a pedestrian link should be sought. Funding would have to be provided by the County Council and there were a large number of schemes competing for capital funding from across the County. In the absence of funding from this year's programme, the proposal would remain recorded as one suitable for attention.

It was also suggested that a separate pedestrian footbridge at the bridge on Green Lane could also contribute towards pedestrian safety. However, the land to provide this was not within public ownership. The Environment Agency was responsible for the watercourse and has confirmed that various permits would be required because of the flood risk issues. It also requested that the whole bridge was rebuilt to improve water flow but this was not feasible at this time.

It was reported that Councillor Alison Fox requested that all road works re-instatement be brought up to standard. The Cabinet Member concurred with this statement.

RESOLVED that (1) the proposed highway works are noted which should lead to a safer environment for pedestrians using Green Lane, Chinley;

(2) the County Council presents bids for funds when funding opportunities arise for an alternative pedestrian link to Buxton Road; and

(3) the Local Member and lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

19/19 PETITION REGARDING ROAD SAFETY CONCERNS - B6062
BUXTON ROAD, CHINLEY Following the receipt of a petition requesting measures to improve road safety in the vicinity of Chinley Primary School, Buxton Road, Chinley, investigations have been undertaken.

The County Council has strived to make the section of road outside the school as safe as possible by installing school safety zone signing with flashing amber warning lights and a double white line system to prevent overtaking. The contravention of the double white line system was a moving traffic offence enforceable by the Police.

This stretch of Buxton Road was subject to a 30mph speed limit, which was also an offence enforceable by the Police. It was felt that if drivers were routinely exceeding the speed limit at this location, the Police should be contacted on the non-emergency number, 101, to enable enforcement action to be considered. The school safety zone signing advises motorists to drive at a lower speed of 20mph whilst the lights were flashing.

The County Council continued to work with schools on developing school travel plans and the school could access road safety advice and resources through Derbyshire County Council's Road Safety Team.

RESOLVED that (1) the road safety concerns are brought to the attention of the Police to enable enforcement action to be considered;

(2) the County Council continues to be actively engaged with parents and the school in respect of travel plans and road safety and also with the Police in reducing the speed of vehicles; and

(3) the Local Member and lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

20/19 PETITION - RIPLEY, CHURCH FARM ROAD – BAN PARKING OUTSIDE/ON THE ROAD IN FRONT OF BOOTS CHEMIST

Following receipt of a petition requesting measures to stop vehicles parking on Church Farm Road, between the junction of Peasehill Road and Steeple Drive, Ripley, investigations have been undertaken.

It was accepted that parking on Church Farm Road, at this location, was predominately by visitors associated with the Medical Practice and the Chemist. Non-standard signs asking motorists to use the Medical Practice car park have been erected on the Medical Practice's boundary wall, however they have had little effect in deterring parking on the highway. Officers felt that the introduction of double yellow lines would not address the Petitioners' concerns and prevent on-street parking at this location.

A review of the collision history database, which records all collisions resulting in personal injury, reveals that there have been no collisions on Church Farm Road in the last three years ending 31 August 2018.

It was proposed, as a compromise, to put forward a double yellow lines combined with 20 minutes short stay parking bays scheme that would rationalise on-street parking. This should provide a facility for shorter visits, to reduce the possibility of displacing some parking into the residential area, and to keep selected areas free of parked vehicles. It was acknowledged that there might be some disabled parking on the yellow lines.

RESOLVED that (1) the proposals as detailed on the attached drawing number HMT/MSN/407/18 be ranked and added to the Traffic and Safety Teams future Traffic Regulation Order Works list;

(2) Public Consultation will be carried out in accordance with the Traffic Regulation Process;

(3) the marker posts and bollards be removed after the introduction of waiting restrictions; and

(4) the lead petitioner and Local Member be advised accordingly.

22/19 AWARD OF GRANTS TO EXTERNAL RECIPIENT RESOLVED
to approve the award of grants of £265 to the Friends of Glossop Station; £1,200 to Friends of Buxton Station; £481 to Friends of Buxton Station and £400 to Friends of Bamford Station.

22/19 CODE OF PRACTICE FOR WELL-MANAGED HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE - APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY NETWORK MANAGEMENT PLAN

A number of documents pertaining to the New Code of Practice for Well-Managed Highway Infrastructure were approved on 26 July 2018, and whilst implementing these documents and developing the supporting documentation, principles and processes; the need to review and update the Highway Network Management Plan (HNMP) was evident. The HNMP reflected the change to the risk based approach, as well as changes to materials and techniques within the industry; relevant legislation and current environmental guidance and practice.

In addition, there were other sections of the existing document which now sat better in a Traffic Management Duty Plan, which was currently being prepared by the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment.

The Cabinet Member expressed his thanks to all staff who had worked on the new the Code of Practice.

RESOLVED to (1) approve the policies set out in the Highway Network Management Plan as part of the Highway Infrastructure Asset Management suite of documents; and

(2) delegate the responsibility for the approval and development of the remaining Technical Annexes referred to in this document to the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment.

23/19 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC RESOLVED that the public, including the press, be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of the kind of exempt information detailed in the following summary of proceedings:-

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC, INCLUDING THE PRESS, WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING

1. To consider the exempt Report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment on Public Transport Unit: Contract for the Supply and Installation of Bus Shelters. (contains information relating to the Financial or Business Affairs of a Particular Person (including the Authority Holding that Information))