



Wivenhoe Town Council

MINUTES of the Transport and Travel Sub-Committee meeting held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 25 September 2024 at 7pm **Draft**

Present: Cllr Andrew (Chair), Cllr Wenaden, Cllr Evans, Cllr Evans, ECC Cllr Mark Cory, Alan Charnock (Speedwatch), Dilly Meyer (Wivenhoe Society) and Jo Beighton-Emms (Town Clerk).

Public Questions: None

PART A

TT/09.24/01 Apologies for absence: Cllr Maltby. Dilly Meyer was accepted as a lay member of this sub-committee, without voting rights.

TT/09.24/02 Declarations of interest: None

TT/09.24/03 Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2024 were proposed by Cllr Evans, seconded by Cllr Andrew and approved by all as an accurate record of proceedings.

TT/09.24/04 Station Access for All Abilities

Cllr Cory explained that he is arranging a date for a meeting with all relevant stakeholders. The current option offered is overengineered and the installation of a lift will not be a priority due to cost. He will try and get the meeting held on site. A ramp is an issue because of the steep gradient (over 2m). One option would be to raise the platform.

TT/09.24/05 Cycle Parking: Update & installation priorities

Cllr Andrew reported that bike racks are being installed with funding provided by Cllr Cory. Details of locations were provided and included the co-op, St Marys Church and the Business Centre. ECC are now providing racks but Cllr Andrew would prefer to receive the funding instead or at least different types of racks that the ones they are suggesting. Cllr Andrew to contact ECC.

TT/09.24/06 Wivenhoe Trail: Maintenance & Signage

Cllr Andrew reported sink hole has reappeared. The councillors discussed why this has happened. Cllr Cory agreed to chase the relevant engineer. It was also agreed that signage for the trail needs to be considered.

TT/09.24/07 Agree the way forward re speed reduction in Wivenhoe

- Making the case for 20mph
- Vehicle Activated Signs: how many, which type, where
- Cost effective traffic calming measures
- Priorities & Funding

The councillors considered the a range of traffic calming measures, Alan Charnock, Speedwatch, explained that the group go out 2/3 times a week. Cllr Cory said he would like to see the evidence of speeding which they gather. The group discussed locations for mini roundabouts – eg the Bowes Road/Millfields junctions. Cllr Andrew suggested a zebra crossing too but Cllr Cory explained that these are £100k and it can take years for any application to be approved by Essex Highways. Raised tables are a cheaper option.

Cllr Cory spoke about an application to make Keelers Lane 30mph and Cllr Andrew suggested that Elmstead Road should also be a priority. It was agreed that priorities are Bowes Road junction/Belle Vue junction/Elmstead Road and junction.

The councillors agreed on the purchase of VASs which show the speed of a vehicle and change colour. They can be attached to existing street furniture and moved around the town. The Town Clerk will resend an email with information from Hatfield Peverel council which has experience of using these.

Cllr Cory said that he can fund 2 VASs at the cost of approximately £3k each. Cllr Andrew will provide a third quote to the Funding Officer to look for grant funding opportunities (she has 2 quotes to date).

Cllr Cory said that he would look into locations for mini roundabouts and possibly zebra crossings. Alan Charnock suggested that the Bowes Road junction should be a priority. There was further discussion on a mini roundabout at the entrance to the Cla Hoimes development behind the fire station.

TT/09.24/08 T&T Revisions to Wivenhoe Neighbourhood Plan: No update.

TT/09.24/09 Date and time of the next meeting: It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 20 November 2024 at 7pm.

TT/09.24/10 Exclusion of press and public: In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Council is invited to consider if the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item(s) owing to the confidential nature of the business.

PART B

None.

The Chair closed the meeting at 20.36.