

## ROAD SAFETY GROUP MEETING

**Monday 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2019**

### **Meeting Notes**

- Present:** Cllr A Coleman, Cllr R Coleman Cllr S Collingridge, Cllr C Edginton White, Cllr P Harrison, Cllr R Stanczyszyn
- In Attendance:** Sharon Hudson, Town Clerk, The Mayor, Cllr J Byng, Cllr P Gittins, PC Stephen Thomas
- Apologies:** None Received

**1 ELECTION OF GROUP LEADER**

It was **RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the election of Cllr S Collingridge as Group Leader as nominated by Cllr A Coleman and seconded by Cllr R Coleman

**2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY GROUP LEADER**

It was **RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the election of Cllr C Edginton White as Deputy Group Leader as nominated by Cllr A Coleman and seconded by Cllr S Collingridge

**3 GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE**

It was **RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the Road Safety Group's terms of reference with the Group being a sub-committee of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, reporting to F&GP and to Council via the Group Leader.

**4 WELCH GATE CONGESTION**

Worcestershire County Council have previously suggested various traffic calming options have not been progressed. The PC S Thomas confirmed that traffic incidents were not being reported to the police; residents wishing to report incidents could complete a traffic incident report on the West Mercia Police website or call the police on 101 to log an incident.

Cllr A Coleman left the meeting

The following actions were discussed and agreed:

- Contact the Worcestershire County Council to follow up previous proposals, Cllrs S Collingridge, C Edginton White & R Stanczyszyn to follow this up.
- Put an article in the Bridge Magazine
- Update the Councils website with the police contact details
- Produce and distribute leaflets to Welch Gate residents.

## 5 **ILLEGAL PARKING**

### Parking on pavements & Parking on double yellow lines

Parking in front of and behind double yellow lines is a civil enforcement issue and the responsibility of WFDC. Delivery trucks are parking illegally on Severnside South.

PC S Thomas agreed to discuss this issue with business owners, he also confirmed that advisory notices have been issued in the Red Hill area for parking on the pavement.

Consideration was given to setting up parking meters on Severnside South following discussion it thought not to be viable option. Also discussed was the use of more Civil Enforcement officer patrols during the summer months.

- The District Councillors on the group agreed to follow this up with WFDC.

WCC & WFDC had agreed to put up additional signage in the area however this has, as yet, not been actioned.

- Follow up with Paul Green from WCC re signage
- Contact Cllr B Vale with regards to funding for new bollards

### The use of disabled permits

WFDC are proactively taking action against the misuse of disabled permits.

## 6 **SPEED AND WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS**

### Abuse of 7.5 ton weight limits

There is signage near Wharton Park Golf Club which indicate weight restrictions

### Speed restriction regulations for the conservation area

20 Miles per hour speed restriction have previously been blocked by WCC. Consideration was given to the community speed watch scheme. Volunteers could be trained in the use of speed cameras, there would be restrictions such as pavement widths, correct signage and clothing.

- Contact Safer Road Partnership – community speed watch for increased signage.

It was previously mentioned that 20 mph stickers could be used in windows around the town.

- Contact Cllr B Vale to see if progress has been made on this.

Cllr R Stanczyszyn left the meeting

## 7 **ANY OTHER ROAD SAFETY ISSUES**

Cars parking on both sides of the road outside of Bewdley School causing obstructions.

The police are working with Paul Green WCC on this issue.

Ask WFDC Enforcement team to the next meeting.

## 8 **Next Meeting Date - 09.09.2019**

Meeting closed 12.23pm