

TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Transport Committee held at 6.00pm on Thursday 7th May 2009 at the Institute. Councillors Blessett, Pelling, Lindfors-Windsor and Wallis attended with Mr Kevin Brumfield from LCC and the Clerk Mrs S Kostyrka.

29. To receive apologies for absence. Cllr Helyar did not attend.

30. To receive declarations of interest, if any. None.

31. To adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th February 2009 and consider matters arising not on the agenda.

The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Further correspondence had been received from Darbyshire Close/Hall Meadow Close residents regarding the speeding traffic. A further request had been received to conduct a speed survey near Frognall. Photographs had also been provided of the poor visual 30mph signage in Deeping St James and asking for provision of better 30mph signage as in the nearby villages of Langtoft and Baston. Kevin Brumfield agreed to consider speed and yellow signage, and will report back to us.

Disappointment had been expressed by residents regarding the withdrawal of funds for a vehicle activated sign due to it being in the budget for two years and still being trailed in Lincolnshire. Kevin Brumfield confirmed that LCC had now agreed the use of vehicle activate signage and a ballpark figure of £5,500 was mentioned for purchase and maintenance. This was deferred for discussion at another meeting.

The dropped kerb is now installed in Ryecroft Avenue.

The bus companies had agreed to keep the timetables updated, and would consider a suitable location for future bus shelters.

32. To receive the proposals from Kevin Brumfield LCC Area Highways Manager for the Spalding Road cycle/foot path and make recommendations to Council.

Kevin Brumfield gave an overview of the latest government speed limit guidelines and confirmed that the Spalding Road would be considered in 2011 due to the A roads taking priority within this review. It was noted that the developers Persimmon do not have a Section 38 signed by LCC, and Mr Brumfield would be checking the planning permission. It was explained that a suitable affordable scheme was now being considered as the utility diversions and street light relocations that were necessary for the off road proposals had increased the cost to £140,000 which was unacceptable. The proposals were to have a low cost 1.2 meter wide on road cycle path scheme to utilise the existing wide road ways in both directions from Darbyshire Close/Frognall to the Deepings School. The lines would be white, with red cross hatchings at the junctions and red blocked areas for cycle priority at the traffic lights. The proposal would have a safety audit which should take one month. The Parish Council were asked to include this in their June Newsletter by way of public consultation. **It was therefore recommended to Council to support this proposed project which would be completed within the current financial year.** The problems at the Linchfield/Park Road junctions were discussed and it was noted that this was the best road lay out as changes would cause other problems.

33. To re-consider the proposal for hard standings at bus stops and make recommendations to Council.

It was agreed that it would not be cost effective to install the hand standings at bus stops until the raised kerbs could be installed.

Mr Brumfield advised the Council to contact the Accessibility Transport Group at Lincoln as he was unable to fund this from the Rural Priorities Budget. **It was therefore recommended to Council that this item be deferred following further investigations.**

34. Date of next meeting. Thursday 6th August at 6pm in the Meeting Room.
The meeting finished at 6.40pm

