

Pewsey Community Area Transport Group

Meeting held on Thursday 26 July 2012

1. Apologies and Introductions

Attendees

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| Robert Hall – Pewsey Area Board | Paul Bollen – Wiltshire Council |
| Terry Eyles – Pewsey Parish Council | Caroline Brailey – Wiltshire Council |
| Colin Gale – Rushall Parish Council | Jerry Kunkler – Pewsey Area Board |
| Peter Deck – Pewsey Parish Council | Spencer Drinkwater – Wiltshire Council |
| Mark Stansby – Wiltshire Council | Vincent Logue – Wiltshire Police |
| Peter Hanson – Wiltshire Council | Richard Netherclift – Manningford Parish Council |
| David Proto – Manningford Parish Council | |

Apologies

Patrick Wilson

2. Notes of last meeting

A report of the last meeting was put before the May meeting of the area board, and all recommendations agreed

3. New delegations to CATG

- 3.1 Review of C and unclassified roads – current status – Mark Stansby confirmed that the list is being finalised and there should be an announcement very soon.
- 3.2 SID Rota – current status – Caroline confirmed that the deployment of the SID machine according to our rota has been delayed, due to resourcing issues across the County. A new process and policy for deploying SIDs is being prepared and we hope to know more in time for the next meeting. Existing SIDs are being deployed based on old data, so some areas that no longer qualify may still get one, which isn't ideal.

4. Overheight Vehicle Diversion signs

- 4.1 Original issue – Jerry confirmed that Cllr Dick Tonge has been invited to attend the next area board meeting in September. It is hoped that the results of the consultation will be released very soon. Once the proposed decision has been published councillors have a short period of time in which to 'call it in'
- 4.2 Diversion for all vehicles due to roadworks at West Lavington - Colin wanted this brought up because during the time when there was increased volume of traffic a pedestrian in Rushall was clipped by a lorry, and there was a near miss with a pedestrian and his dog which resulted in some 'road rage' as the man in the vehicle reversed back and gave verbal abuse. Colin was asked if the incident was reported to the Police, Colin said he

reported it to the station, and he was asked in future to raise matters such as this by calling 101. Paul Bollen is working with one of the residents affected by the diversion (damage to verge) to install some white posts. It was noted that the diversion signs remained in place 24/7 whereas in fact they should only have been up during the evenings

5. New Requests

a) **Broadfields, Pewsey** – a resident has submitted an issue about a matter he has raised with the parish council over a number of years. He feels the road layout is dangerous and an ‘accident waiting to happen’. He feels that a number of measures should be introduced to improve road safety including:-

- i) lowering of the Church hedge
- ii) one way system around Broadfields
- iii) off road parking and dropped kerbs
- iv) pavement improvements

After some discussion it was agreed that Mark Stansby and Paul Bollen (or Peter Hanson) would meet the resident on site. **Action: Caroline to give contact details to Mark Stansby to set up a meeting.**

b) **Manningford – rat running and signage issues** – main problems are volume and speed. There are changes in the speed limit on the A345 yet the C52 is still a 60mph limit (before the village). 70% of the traffic are regular users. The carnival diversion raises awareness and sat navs send people that way. During a count in 2008 there were 35 cars between 5-6 pm and now there are 65-85 during the same time of day. It's used as a bypass for the A345. People in the village are now avoiding using the road. It is single lane in some places and the verges are disappearing. Manningford want the Council/area board to:-

- 1) accept it is a problem
- 2) come up with some solutions.

The HGV signs have had some success. However they would ask that at Prospect the sign be moved up to the main road as once lorries have turned in they are committed to staying on that road. At the Manningford end they ask that the sign be moved to be under the Manningford Bruce sign as it's more indicative. Mark said that the Prospect sign wasn't put where they requested as that road serves Wilcot and businesses in the area and there are no properties in that section. They have signed lorries down the A road and the layby before they turn into Prospect. Manningford asked if it could say ‘unsuitable from 400 yards’?

It was felt that there has been an increase in traffic overall and this is possibly due to Solstice Park. The HGVs through Manningford have declined a bit, and lorries have new sat nav software – but cars are increasing. Traffic calming would make it a less attractive route.

It was asked if it could be reduced to 20mph as in Devon. Mark said that they have done 20 mph pilots but there have been little changes in speeds.

Suggestions:

- No through road to A345 signage
- Pinch points

- Ensure tractors are on road during every rush hour.

It was suggested that a survey be undertaken at both ends for an hour and then highways will identify 2-3 appropriate pinch point places. Each would cost approx £3k. The parish council will look at temporary obstructions with a vehicle north of village, where it is narrow and in the 60mph limit and carry out a route study from railway bridge north of Manningford Bruce

Mark said that it is important to get some data. There have been strips down recently which are because it is a CSW site and surveyed annually - Richard will get metro data from Elizabeth and numbers of cars.

Action – Richard and David arrange to carry out the survey in September and bring results to next CATG – Spencer to produce guidance

Action – Mark would arrange to move the HGV signs - on south side, either side of post (same as Manningford Abbots and Sharcott). Richard has one spare sign and Mark said he would use that to address this issue.

- c) **Grey Flags, Upavon** – the parish council now want to proceed with a smaller scheme involving the land belonging to some properties that are willing to give permission. Mark will contact Noel to have a look and see what is required **Action: Mark to arrange to meet with Noel Mascall**
- d) **Great Bedwyn request for dropped kerbs at The Knapp.** Paul reported that highways no longer have a budget for dropped kerbs and the costs need to come from CATG/Area Board– it costs £950 per kerb but the Great Bedwyn location needs more than this. **Action: Paul will have a look at what exactly is required and let us know for the next meeting.**

6. Review Current Area Board Issues List

1017 – Caroline to find out if the school are happy with the new timing of the lights

1594 – CATG recommends that this issue now be closed, as the highways dept have carried out some measures. If the residents association which to dispute this they may attend the September board meeting where Dick Tonge will be in attendance

1854 – Pewsey Parish Council have not submitted a form for a metro count, it is felt that speeding is not possible on this road, and this issue should be closed.

2139 – the extension was not approved, therefore this issue to be closed.

2339 – this is a maintenance not a CATG issue – forward to Peter Hanson and close
It was agreed to reopen the Manningford issue.

7. Review Priority List including Updates & Substantive Scheme Bids

Substantive Schemes – there is no official decision yet but Spencer said that the Station application is unsuccessful but the Wilcot Road one might be. The station estimate has risen to £180-£200k. The problem is we have never invested in a proper design which would be £considerable. **Action Mark to feed back in Oct with a figure.** It was agreed to keep the money set aside until that figure is known. It was agreed to keep the money which has been set aside for both schemes for the time being.

It was agreed to add the final part of the first phase for Rushall pavement to the list, and also Manningford, as there may be a requirement for pinch points in the future.

8. Concerns from Pewsey PC

- 8.1 White line by church – Mark confirmed this would be done in 6-08 weeks.
- 8.2 There is a consultation underway about the installation of Yellow Lines in Broomcroft Road – from the Roundabout/Hallgate Car park to 70 mtrs past the new development. The Parish Council are happy but worried about cars parking instead on the other side of the road. Peter asked if it would be acceptable to respond asking for the lines to be on both sides. Mark Stansby felt that would be perfectly acceptable.
- 8.3 Mark said he had been contacted by “Pewsey Meadows Management Ltd” as they have approached them as they are having problems maintaining a hedge and verge, but he wasn’t sure if they require permanent access or just some temporary measures such as bollards whilst the work is taking place. **Action: Mark to find out more about what is required.**

9. Date of next meeting – 24 Oct 2pm – Pewsey Parish Office