

Warminster Area Board Issues Report for 10 May 2012

New issues since last meeting:

1. Issues with planning website

Discussing with planning department

2. Parking at entrance to Minster School

Investigating issue to identify solutions. CAM to contact parking services as this is an enforcement issue.

3. Breach of access only on Chain Lane / Smallbrook Road

This is an ongoing issue as the through route cannot be closed as a local business has a right of access. However will discuss at next Community Area Transport Group

4. Parking on junction of Smallbrook / Boreham Road

Looking at possible leaflet drop

5. Animals being killed on road – Boreham, Bishopstrow

Highways team investigating

6. Speeding on Boreham Road

Has been referred for a metro-count survey

7. Sambourne Road crossing

Part of Taking Action on School Journeys and work is scheduled to be undertaken – improved painting and lighting.

8. Noise at Turnpike Lane

In discussion with a view to identifying solution.

Issues Resolved since last meeting:

1. Dog fouling Upper Marsh Road

Wardens have cleaned the area and a leaflet drop has taken place.

Issues that are in progress:

1. Folly Lane

Highways officers and CAM visited site and met with residents. New signing and lining proposed and to be approved by Area Board under CATG proposals to help with speeding traffic.

2. Portway – vehicles mounting pavement

The dropped kerbs are to be raised which will help to eliminate the problem of vehicles mounting the pavement.

3. Broadway footpath

The Broadway estate has a number of footpaths passing through it. When the estate was finished West Wilts adopted all the footpaths (and thus took on the maintenance and weed clearance) except for the final twenty yards or so. Each side of this last section of the path network there are bungalows occupied by elderly people who find it difficult to tackle the problems as each year the path gets obstructed by waist high weeds and nettles and it becomes virtually impassable. In the past the Warminster Environmental Pride Team (WEPTS) community group have cleared the weeds but this is not the long term solution.

Land registry to identify ownership but this is likely to be the houses that back onto the footpath – this requires chasing up.

4. Grovelands / Victoria Road junction

This is part of the ongoing Parking Review. The proposed waiting restriction changes at the Grovelands Way junction have been formally advertised from 28 October for a period of 21 days. It is hoped that work on this junction will begin as soon as possible once full authorisation is obtained. However, it should be noted that there is usually an 8 to 10 week lead for Wiltshire Council's contractors to carry out statutory procedures for excavations in the highway for sign posts and to enable any signs to be designed/produced. Also once the date for implementation is known, the full traffic regulation order will need to be finalised by the regulatory team followed by the formal advert confirming the implementation of the scheme.

5. West Street vehicles mounting pavement

Raised and discussed at Community Area Transport Group (CATG) meeting on 8.2.12. Highways staff are considering producing leaflets which can be placed on cars. The CATG meeting felt that there were few other options as this is a symptom of high levels of car ownership and high volumes of traffic. Leaflet drop being pursued.

6. Parking on pavement Highbury Park and Cul-de-Sac

Raised and discussed at CATG meeting on 8.2.12. As above. Highways staff are considering using leaflets.

7. Beech Grove / Portway junction

This is used as local "rat-run" with near misses every day. Highways staff are investigating options following the CATG meeting where this was discussed.

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