

Hyndburn Three Tier Forum: Action Sheet

Meeting Date: 11th December 2013

Action	Lead Officer	Lead Officer Comments (Including Action Taken)
<p>Durham Drive Now the work is to start on site (subject to any objections) CC Dad has asked he be kept updated on any delays to the scheme and the reasons for them (if any)</p>	<p>Oliver Starkey LCC</p>	<p>No comment required unless there is any delay to the scheme I'm advised that there is no envisaged delay to this scheme</p>
<p>St Oswald's RC Primary School and St Peters CE Primary School in Accrington It was noted that the 20mph speed limit in the vicinity of St Oswald's RC Primary School and St Peters CE Primary School in Accrington was now in place and would be monitored for a period of 3 months before its effectiveness was evaluated. Concern was expressed that the issue at the schools was related to the volume of traffic rather than speed and it was suggested that if the evaluation did not indicate an improvement then the Area Committee may consider funding some physical traffic calming measures. The Forum to be advised of the results of the monitoring of the 20 MPH area</p>	<p>Paul Binks LCC</p>	<p>This issue will be passed onto colleagues and any monitoring results will be provided to the Forum</p>
<p>Potholes The repair of potholes was discussed and it was suggested that Officers investigate the condition of the carriageway along Cranbrook Avenue in Oswaldtwistle together with potholes in Paddock Lane/New Lane where it was suggested that poor quality materials/workmanship had resulted in additional repairs being required.</p>	<p>Oliver Starkey LCC</p>	<p>Officers met with CC Britcliffe on site on 27th January 2014 to discuss these issues and I am advised that any outstanding issues will be resolved</p>

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<p>Burnley Road Resurfacing Concern was expressed in relation to the condition of the carriageway on Burnley Road where initial resurfacing work had been undertaken but subsequent poor weather had meant it had not been completed. It was reported that the temporary surface was now deteriorating and members of the Forum asked for the carriageway to be resurfaced and the white lining reintroduced as soon as possible.</p>	<p>Oliver Starkey LCC</p>	<p>The work on this scheme is now complete including the white lining. The surface used is not a temporary surface but is micro asphalt a treatment selected by Highways</p> <p>The hand finished work (hatching, H-bars etc.) is being completed. This was due to be undertaken at the end of January but with the inclement weather there may well be a slight delay , the issue is that the ground needs to be dry as we are unable to heat the micro asphalt to dry it as can be done with other materials.</p>
<p>Pedestrian crossing on Milnshaw Lane Several members of the Forum expressed their concern regarding the location of a pedestrian crossing on Milnshaw Lane in Accrington which was felt was causing traffic to back up on the roundabout towards King Street.</p>	<p>Oliver Starkey LCC</p>	<p>This will be investigated and Members will be updated I am advised that this pedestrian crossing will contribute to pedestrian and road user road safety</p>
<p>Martholme Viaduct A request was made for the Martholme Viaduct to be reopened as a public footpath and it was suggested that this should be considered as an item for discussion at the next meeting.</p>	<p>Andy Mullaney LCC</p>	<p>Colleagues at LCC are looking to meet up with the owner of the caravan site a Mr Hanson to ascertain whether there has been a change of heart from him in allowing access to the Viaduct from the caravan site, there is however still concern about the cost of maintaining the Viaduct if this fell onto the County Council;</p> <p>The two gentlemen from the Rambling Club have now met with Mr Hanson who still feels he cannot allow access across his land for walkers following the route of the footpath, without his agreement it is unlikely any further progress can be made</p>
<p>Walton Arms Junction Reference was made to the discussion at the last meeting in relation to the Walton Arms junction and concern was expressed that the statement in the Action Sheet</p>	<p>Oliver Starkey LCC</p>	<p>A meeting between Councillor Pinder, officers from the Environment Directorate Highways Section and a representative from the Police took place on Wednesday 5th February to discuss the current traffic conditions and potential</p>

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<p>regarding the lack of Police support for traffic signals contradicted information which the Parish Council had received from a Police Officer. It was noted that the Parish Council had also raised concerns with the Borough Council regarding traffic on the A678 and the need to upgrade the junction with the business park access road. That with regard to the Walton Arms junction the Locality Officer is requested to arrange a meeting between Councillor R Pinder, an Officer from the Environment Directorate Highways Section and representatives from the local Police in order to discuss the current traffic conditions and potential improvements, including the introduction of traffic signals.</p>		<p>improvements, including the introduction of traffic signals. There were two outcomes from the meeting; Long term. LCC will continue to be a consultee on planning applications and will use traffic impact assessments and highway expertise to determine what, if any, junction improvements may be necessary. It's up to HBC as the planning authority if they wish to include them as planning conditions. Short term. Matt Hargreaves (LCC) will look at the existing carriageway markings and see if they need to be refreshed/revised. Matt will arrange for speed monitoring devices to be installed on Altham Lane to determine if people are "speeding" there. Once we have that data it will be reported back to the 3TF along with Matt/Oliver's recommendations</p>
<p>Whinney Hill Land There was also disappointment in connection with the lack of progress by the County Councils Legal Services with regard to encroachment onto County Council land at Whinney Hill by local residents. That in view of the lack of progress to date the County Councils Legal Services is requested to provide the Forum with a timescale regarding action to be taken to resolve the current encroachment onto County Council land at Whinney Hill by local residents.</p>	<p>Mark Wardale LCC</p>	<p>I can advise the Forum that through our Property Group the following action was taken by our Legal Services. The people who had encroached onto LCC land were sent a letter on 23rd January 2014 advising them that they are trespassing on LCC land and were being given 14 days from the date of the letter to remove the encroaching fencing back to the correct boundary</p> <p>We further advised that If this was not carried out then LCC would commence court proceedings for possession of the LCC land and would seek to recover all costs incurred in relation to such court proceedings from the residents.</p> <p>I have been advised that the three residents did indeed move their fences back to their legal boundaries thus allowing LCC possession of its land, the next steps are to discuss with Altham Parish Council their proposals for the land</p>

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<p>The condition of footways in the Milnshaw area. Councillor Cox informed the meeting that the footpaths identified on the plan were not the ones which he had raised concerns about at the previous meeting. He added that the footpaths which required attention were in an area bounded by Lancaster Avenue, Queens Road West, Gloucester Avenue and Pansy Street where some footpaths had deteriorated over time whilst others had not been properly reinstated following work by a utility company. Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Locality Officer arranges a meeting between the Public Realm Manager and Councillor Cox to investigate the condition of carriageways and footways within the area specified above and consider what improvements are required. 2. That where appropriate the utility company be pursued with a view to securing the necessary resources to reinstate the footways to the standard required by the County Council. 	<p>Oliver Starkey LCC</p>	<p>A meeting was arranged for 3rd February for Councillor Cox and Oliver Starkey to "walk" Milnshaw and discuss the issues raised by Councillor Cox regarding the state of footpaths and carriageways and any outstanding works needed to be carried out by the utilities companies From this meeting it was agreed that some repairs would take place to footpaths identified by Councillor Cox</p>
<p>Unauthorised school absences.</p> <p>Members of the Forum discussed the ability of schools to fine parents who took their children out of school during term time. It was noted that parents could be exempt from such a fine in 'special circumstances' though there was concern that there was a lack of clarity as to what constituted such circumstances and that as a result the policy may not be applied equally across the Borough.</p> <p>Agreed: That the members of the Forum provide the Chair with any examples they may have of circumstances where</p>	<p>Mark Wardale LCC</p>	<p>Members to provide the Chair with any examples they may have of circumstances where parents have been fined for taking their children out of school in order that he can compose a letter to Michael Gove MP highlighting concerns and seeking clarification about what would constitute 'special circumstances'.</p>

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Parish Issues Raised Walton Arms above raised by the Parish Representative Whinney Hill Land above raised by Parish representative		As above As above