Hyndburn Three Tier Forum: Action Sheet

Meeting Date: 9th April 2014

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St Oswald's RC Primary School and St Peters CE Primary School in Accrington The Forum to be advised of the results of the monitoring of the 20 MPH area at the next meeting	Paul Binks LCC	LCC will be undertaking a traffic count on Broadfield Road the results of which will be fed back to this Forum In addition a lot of work has been undertaken by the Police which includes; The Community Road Watch Team have been out in w/c 17th March on Hawthorn Avenue between 3 -5pm. In that time 35 drivers (out of 140) were caught driving at 25 mph or over and will be receiving letters in the post as part of the educational side of enforcing the new 20 mph limit. This was highlighted on both the Accrington Police Twitter page and Facebook page Sgt Sculpher of East RPU has also stated he will 'loan' some traffic officers in the coming weeks to target the area St Mary's School has also been visited and children yr3 to yr6 have been given a talk on 'twenty's plenty'. They are designing a poster around this theme and the 14 winning posters are being sent to Suzie Smith at LCC who is getting them turned into a giant banner outside the school The Police have also liaised with LCC and a date has been arranged for the LCC photographer to attend the school for publicity shots around this matter. Further Update 28th May 2014 Please find below actions from a recent parents meeting supported by the local PCSO's Ryan Moore and Torsif Patel; The main issue raised was the acquisition of a zebra crossing. The school stated that it had funds available that could be used to match fund any other funding which may be

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		available.
		LCC colleagues will make further enquiries with various departments including Priority Neighbourhoods, Healthy Streets, and Public Realm and will update the meeting.
		In the event of this not being practicable or funds not being available, the following was discussed;
		We will ascertain whether traffic speeds have been measured both in the morning and the afternoon and will look to arrange as appropriate Community Road Watch, School Road Watch, Road Traffic Policing using an unmarked CCTV car, or arrange some sort of Restorative Justice session in school.
		A Boards for schools are being priced by LCC and it may be that some of the funding the school has could be used to purchase more of these. Parents are willing to become involved with this and will position them accordingly ensuring local resident consultation.
		School crossing patrol purchasing is still under discussion and may make use of school funding.
		It was suggested and agreed that pictures of persistently offending vehicles with registrations clearly displayed will be taken discreetly by parents/school and collated on a monthly basis, these to be given to police and Ryan and Torsif (PCSO's) will decide whether owners will be sent letters or visited and will update the school. The PCSO' will also give out parking leaflets printed from Moodle by the school to any cars left unattended and causing problems. Should an obstruction occur, the PCSO's will deal with it accordingly.
		Parents who have issues with taxi drivers setting down their own children inconsiderately have been asked to provide details to the school and from this these will be provided to Licensing at Hyndburn Borough Council.

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		The school will continue to promote Walk to School incentives, update its web site and issue Newsletters on the subject.
		Hyndburn Youth Council will present workshops to both schools if dates can be agreed around 16th/17th July and publicity will surround this, highlighting the issues in the area
		31st July 2014 We have been monitoring speeds of motorists passing the schools and compliance with the speed limits seems to be fairly good. Average speeds are 20 and 21mph and 85th speeds are considered acceptable too.
		We will add to SpID programme for September after Schools are back.
Martholme Viaduct; It was asked whether a public right of way ever existed across the viaduct and or the land across the caravan site?	Public Rights of Way	The route across Martholme Viaduct along the railway line passing Bridge Heywood Caravan Park has never been a public right of way although there is a public footpath (no11) that runs in a north- south direction past the caravan park entrance People had used the route (although for exactly what period and on what basis is uncertain) previously but when it was closed off by the owners, an application was considered by the LCC Regulatory Committee on whether a footpath had already been
		established – and if so to record it on the Definitive Map and Statement. This was refused in 2004, a further appeal against this decision was lodged but this was also refused in 2005.
		Given that the decision was considered by the Sec of State at appeal we are reasonably confident that a reappraisal of this decision is unjustified. If further significant evidence was found then a new application could be made.
		We would reiterate our position that although in principle LCC supports the creation of the route, we aren't prepared to use our compulsory path creation powers because of the unknown amount of compensation the County Council may be liable for because of a

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		perceived negative impact upon Mr Hanson's business.'
		There is also the issue of the viaduct and liability and maintenance to resolve
		The latest position is that after speaking to Mr Hanson at the caravan park Nigel Brooke from Hyndburn Ramblers decided not to take their proposed publicity campaign to open the viaduct up any further. Clifton Pollard from Read Parish Council was possibly going to investigate the evidence presented at the original regulatory committee but we have not heard from either Nigel or Clifton recently.
		If any further information becomes available I will update members of the forum
Walton Arms Junction; An update was requested for the next meeting	Oliver Starkey LCC	An update will be provided at the next meeting of the Forum
Milnshaw Footways; It was asked if private contractors had yet been approached to reinstate footways damaged by them whilst undergoing utilities work	Oliver Starkey LCC	This query relates to some work that contractors did on the flagged Milnshaw Estate. Hyndburn Homes damaged an area of flags that is in a poor state and we have been assured that they would relay the flags. We will pursue this with Hyndburn Homes. We were also asked about a different area that was not in great shape. Mark Lancaster (LCC) investigated where the gas board had been and it was found that they were not responsible for the poor state of the flags, as they did not excavate in that particular area.
Three Brooks Way Oswaldtwistle; Has this been adopted by the County Council?	Oliver Starkey LCC	Three Brooks Way is indicated as having been adopted on 9 Feb 2010
Cranbrook Avenue Oswaldtwistle; Pothole reappeared, do we have any long term plans for its repair?	Oliver Starkey LCC	Cranbrook Avenue is not included in the 14/15 Capital Maintenance Programme nor is it proposed in the draft 15/15 programme. Any potholes that meet intervention criteria will be repaired

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Dashboard; An update was requested on the Preston-East Lancashire Transport Study in relation to the M65 to Yorkshire corridor	Dave Colbert LCC	There has been a long standing proposal to construct a bypass of Colne, Foulridge, Kelbrook and Earby, principally along the line of the former Colne to Skipton railway, a scheme known as the A56 Villages Bypass. The route was protected some years ago in the Pendle Local Plan, but the scheme has so far not attracted funding. In August 2012, the County Council commissioned consultants Jacobs UK Limited to undertake the M65 to Yorkshire Corridor Study, which was tasked with identifying and assessing whether there were smaller scale interventions that could be introduced to mitigate traffic and environmental problems in Colne that would be affordable and deliverable in advance of any bypass, or if a bypass in this corridor did not emerge as an immediate priority for major scheme funding. The study also undertook to review the approved A56 Villages Bypass scheme and potential alternative options and alignments, including an assessment of engineering and environmental constraints and the provision of cost estimates. The County Council reported the outcome of this initial work through the consultation process for the East Lancashire Highways and Transport Master Plan, which took place in October/November 2013. Responses to the Masterplan consultation confirmed there is sufficient support to undertake the next stage of work, which will include developing detailed proposals for a Colne–Foulridge Bypass. The East Lancashire Highways and Transport Master Plan, approved by the County Council's Cabinet in February 2014, sets out a timetable for completing this work. The County Council will also examine what could ultimately be done along the North Valley in Colne to increase capacity in the absence of a bypass. Once the work is complete, the County Council will be in a position to consult fully on final proposals.
		However, the work is likely to take up to three years, as it will involve detailed traffic studies and environmental impact assessments as well as engineering design and access arrangements. There was a change in the procedure of recording potholes during December and this

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Potholes; why did the % drop in October 2013?	Oliver Starkey LCC	coupled to the holiday period contributed to a dip in performance for that month only, indeed throughout 2013/14 95% of potholes that were found were fixed within 30 days. This relates to some 4,845 out of the 5,076 identified through highways safety inspections being repaired within target.
Parish Council Requests; Walton Arms Junction update requested	Oliver Starkey LCC	An update will be provided at the next meeting of the Forum