

BOTTESFORD PARISH COUNCIL ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Date: 7 July 2021 **Time:** 19:00

The meeting was held at the Old School Meeting Rooms

Attendance: 4 members attended.

Bernard Carey (BC) *Chair*
Brian McInerney (BM)

Colin Love (CL)
Matt Reid (MR)

Items

1) Apologies: None

2) Approval of previous Minutes: Approved

3) Any declarations of interest in items on the agenda:

No declarations of interest.

4) Public session : Mr Mark Lethbridge attended as a prospective committee member

5) Members updates:

The new VAS software has been updated and Bluetooth downloads are now working.

So far the sign has been deployed to the 30mph zone near the Grantham Rd/Rutland Lane junction, where despite the 85%ile data being satisfactory, it has revealed some significant speeding by a few vehicles.

It was then moved to Church Lane Muston for 2 weeks which will be discussed later in the meeting.

Correspondence with both Highways England and LCC Highways has remains a problem, with repeated follow-ups and no replies.

BM reported back that the PC has accepted all the points presented to them from the C'ttee and a plan is being formulated to coordinate with out MBC Councillors.

CL questioned some of the formal procedural points resulting from the last PC meeting. As this is outside the remit of the C'ttee, BM was asked to convey the observations to the next PC meeting.

The Letters to local businesses have been drafted and passed to the PC.

6) A52

CL had raised concerns about eroded markings at the Belvoir Rd/A52 junction and LCC Highways have schedule the lines to be restored.

BC had reported poor visibility of the Splat at the same junction to HE and they have now cut the grass, however the hedgerow remains uncut, presumably due to legislation regarding potential birds nests. This will continue to be monitored.

Mr Lethbridge spoke about his experience of working agencies such as Councils and Highways England. Several interesting operational points came out which were previously unknown to the C'ttee. Essentially that HE are public servants so can be held to account. As a result, the C'ttee intend to ask HE to attend a meeting and explain their position regarding the road.

Muston Gap/Church Lane. The VAS on Church Lane has revealed that there are some 35-40% more vehicles exiting the village along Church Lane than come in from the A52. This strongly supports anecdotal comments that people avoid using that junction to turn right.

7) Villages

The data from the VAS that was in Normanton has confirmed that there is a speeding issue and this will be presented to LCC highways in due course as part of the bigger picture of concerns.

That sign has now been in the 40 zone on Grantham Road for a month and the data has not shown any immediate speeding concerns.

Following a resident's complaint, the junction at Church Lane/Main St Muston was reviewed. It does have poor visibility towards the A52 when exiting Main St, made worse by hedge growth at the corner. However, coming along Church Lane from the A52 there is no indication of the blind corner, neither road markings nor warning sign.

Two weeks data from the VAS mounted outside Glebe House revealed that speeding was not a significant issue, with the 85%ile at the speed limit. However, the poor visibility was a concern along with the lack of signage and to be taken further with LCC Highways.

8) Confirm Next Meeting date/time

It was decided not to have an August meeting, due to holidays and other absences, the next Meeting will be 1 Sep 2021

AOB

It was agreed to request formal approval from the PC for Mark Lethbrige to be a committee member.

Bernard Carey
Committee Chair