

Bewdley Town Council - ROAD SAFETY GROUP

**Minutes of meeting held
Tuesday, 10 May, 2022 at 2.30 pm**

Present:

Cllr Calne Edginton-White (Chairman), Cllr John Byng (Deputy Chairman), Cllr Paul Gittins, WCC Cllr Ian Hardiman, Cllr Rod Stanczyszyn.

In attendance: Tracy Bodley, Town Clerk; Anita Bickerdike Administrative Assistant

Apologies: WCC Cllr Dan Morehead

1. Election of Chairman

CEW was nominated, there were no other nominations and CEW was unanimously elected.

2. Election of Deputy Chairman

JB was nominated, there were no other nomination and JB was unanimously elected.

3. Review of Terms of Reference for the Road Safety Group and meeting dates, time and venue for 2022-2033 to recommend to Full Council June 2022

3.1 Terms of Reference

Following discussion it was agreed that the TOR circulated at the meeting be adopted with the following amendments:

3.2 Date, time, venue and format of the meetings

Following a discussion the following was agreed:

- Face to face meetings were preferred with a facility to join in an online capacity if necessary to ensure all can attend;
- Frequency - monthly meetings on the last Tuesday of the month commencing with 28 June 2022;
- Time - 2.30pm – 3.30pm;
- Venue – the Guildhall, Bewdley.
- Minutes – to be taken by AB
- Agenda – to be sent via email by AB
- AB to book the Guildhall for future meetings.

4. Review of minutes and agreed actions from meeting on 22 March 2022

4.1 Minutes were agreed and the following updates on agreed actions were noted:

WCC speed survey Severside South, High Street and Load Street - awaiting further report back from DM;

Fixed VAS placement was discussed at item 5;

Telford Bridge schedule of work update was received from IH and the item was discussed further at item 7;

5. Welch Gate congestion (standing item)

Possibility of traffic lights was discussed. RS commented on the feasibility of this and IH agreed to ask about this and feedback to the next meeting.

6. 20 mph – update (standing item)

6.1 Locations and installation

No update for today.

DM to report back to next meeting.

6.2 Height and weight restriction survey High Street and Lax Lane

No update for today.

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DM to report back to next meeting.

7. Speed and weight restrictions (standing items)

7.1 Recommendation for the additional VAS agreed by Council.

Suggestion 1 Dowles Road by the medical centre.

The feasibility and efficacy of siting the VAS at this location was discussed.

Views on siting the device on the opposite side of the road to outgoing traffic, views of police and consultation with residents were exchanged. RS commented that vehicles are already slowing down at this location to turn. It was agreed not to pursue the survey.

Suggestion 2 undertake consultation regarding other sites.

This was discussed and it was agreed that consultation should take place.

CEW to liaise with AB to take this forward.

7.2 Community Speed Watch. It was noted that there were no volunteers to be trained in this. It was suggested that if such a group existed the Police would no longer do speed enforcement.

AB to liaise with PC Thomas to clarify this point and report back to next meeting.

8. Any other road safety issues (standing item)

8.1 c/f Smartwheelie.co.uk

The options for wheelie bin sticker speed signs were discussed and it was agreed that the "20 is Plenty" sign was appropriate for the stickers.

Distribution of stickers?

AB to raise Purchase Order for Stickers.

8.2 Gateway signs.

It was noted that quotations had been requested from suppliers for 6 new boundary signs for Bewdley. Locations had been agreed by the BTC and the permission of WCC has been sought and is awaited.

9. Telford Bridge

IH to check with PG to confirm the programme of works planned.

IH to report back at next meeting.

10. Community Engagement (standing item)

See item 7.

11. AOB

The following items were discussed:

River Severn sign - IH to feedback after a meeting with PG.

Pavement, road markings, parking issues not for this group - a matter for WFDC/WCC.

CCTV at various points in town, some is privately owned, some owned some owned – requests to view to be redirected to owners.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 28 June 2022 2.30pm – 3.30pm