

Minutes of the Hunton Parish Traffic and Road Safety Working Party (TRSWP) – 12th August 2019 (Final version)

Present : Helen Ward (HW), Celia Kennedy-Sloane (CK), Mike Summersgill (MS), James Forster(JF), Roger Lee (RL), Jonny Goddard (JG) Liz Oliver (LO)

Apologies: None

1. East Street Speed Limit

KCC were not very receptive to a 40mph limit and would require speed monitoring evidence before they could move forward. The Parish Council agreed in principle to funding some devices. We agreed that the areas for monitoring were (in priority order):

- Between Redwall Lane and Bull Oast
- Close to the entrance to Mulberry Farm
- Between Amsbury Farm entrance and Hunton Hill

There would be a 7 day monitoring period after the school holidays. **ACTION: JG, JF and MS to agree exact locations.**

We could canvass local residents following this exercise but need to inform the village about these plans. **ACTION: HW to write a short piece for the next issue of the Herald.**

2. Traffic Calming on West Street

We understand that other local parish initiatives (such as different colour road surfaces and markings) have not been noticeably successful so far. JG is looking at portable speed signs which have been reported as more effective.

Some Clockhouse Farm buses have been observed driving too fast by the school but others are better. **ACTION : HW to write to them.**

3. Elm Corner

A BT manhole cover just off the road has been broken and poses a traffic risk. **ACTION: JG to report on KCC's web site.**

4. Highway and Signage issues

KCC have agreed to install and pay for a 'warning - pedestrians' sign on Hunton Hill where the Greensand Way crosses, and at Elm Corner, a bend sign with single track and SLOW on the road. The HGV sign at the end of Green Lane near Marden will be rectified by KCC.

We have been notified that West Street will be closed for curbing works from 1st Sept but it is not clear where this is. **ACTION JG to ask KCC.**

The Junction of Redwall Lane and East Street is a traffic hazard and yet has no signage. **ACTION: JG to raise with KCC.**

5. 7.5t East Street weight restriction

Fruition have now ceased operations at Amsbury Farm and we have noted a reduction in HGV traffic. However, there are still (mostly foreign) HGV's using East Street to travel from Pattenden Lane to Coxheath and beyond.

It has been reported to us (with photos) of several incidents of a tractor driven trailer carrying building sand along East Street without any vehicle registration. We have identified the company responsible from Tonbridge. **ACTION: MS to provide some 'legal' text on waste transport and HW to draft letter copying our PCSO.**

6. Any Other Business

There is a need to clear vegetation from some of the traffic signs. **ACTION: JG and JF**

7. Date of Next Meeting

To be agreed when the results of the speed monitoring have been completed.