

**MEETING BETWEEN HCC HIGHWAYS, WINCHFIELD & DOGMERSFIELD PCs**  
**FRIDAY 10 MAY 2019**  
**@ 1330**  
**WINCHFIELD VILLAGE HALL**

<b>Attendance</b> Mr James Holt, HCC Mr Philip Sheppard, HDC Cllr David Simpson, HCC Cllr Meyrick Williams, WPC Cllr Louise Hodgetts, WPC Cllr Alastair Clark, DPC Mr Harry Dicks (ex-WPC Cllr) Mrs Susan Richardson, WPC Clerk	
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Cllr David Simpson offered to Chair and introductions were made.

### **Winchfield Parish Council Issues**

1. Junction of Pale Lane - WPC's concerns and actions thus far were shared with those present. HCC representatives reiterated what WPC have been told in the letter from Kathie Murray, HCC's Group Engineer. The Developer still remains responsible for a period of 12 months. Should any accidents (reported injuries requiring blue lights) occur during the maintenance period a Stage IV Safety Audit will be carried out. DS said that, statistics suggest that, for every accident where injuries are reported, 17 unreported accidents occur. **Action Monitor**
2. Deep gullies, Bagwell Lane, Taplins Farm Lane & Pale Lane - JH confirmed that 'edge of carriageway' are not treated as potholes. Highways are inspected frequently. HCC repairs are actioned once the safety criteria are met i.e. 150 mm (6" deep). Verge edges can be repaired, by the Lengthsman; by infilling edge override with stone & bring back verges over stones. Taking care not to widen road. Potholes are dealt with differently, they must be visible on the carriageway, be between 40-50mm deep and 300mm wide in any direction. Any carriageway concerns should be sent to [roads@hants.gov.uk](mailto:roads@hants.gov.uk) pictures really help and save wasted visits. Advised not to us 'fix my street' as privately owned and logged concerns are disseminated to individual Councils. **Action WPC/Lengthsman**
3. Overhanging tree branches, Bagwell Lane - Uncertainty regarding responsibility for the tree branches i.e. landowner or HCC. The law states that, any overhanging tree/vegetation, must be 5.3mts (17' 6") clear of the carriageway. If trees originate from private land a courteous letter, from the Parish Council to the Landowner, should be the first action if that proves ineffective then an email to [infrastructure@hants.gov.uk](mailto:infrastructure@hants.gov.uk) together with pictures second action. HCC will then attempt to contact Landowner reminding them of their responsibility. **Action WPC**
4. Excessive Speed - It was unanimously agreed that, inviting Ian Janes to talk through problem areas and seek his advice would be the best way forward. Consider also contacting the police asking them to attend, especially during busy times i.e. train departure times. It was noted that, the police will not carry out speed gun operations unless the road provides a pull in area. **Action WPC**
5. Review Location of 50 mph signage on the B3016 (near the Pet Crematorium) - It was unanimously agreed that Ian Janes would be the best person to discuss this with. **Action WPC**

6. SID locations in Winchfield - All agreed that Ian Janes, who has visited the village, produced a recommended location map was the best person to take the project forward. Cllr Hodgetts confirmed that she had received a 'map' showing the recommended sites. **Action WPC**
7. Refurbishment of Road Signs, retaining character of signs in The Hurst (2), Bagwell Lane/Station Road, Bagwell Lane/B3016 - JH confirmed that the road signs listed in a previous email, provided by Winchfield Clerk, have been inspected and orders placed. JH cannot guarantee that the three replacement finger posts will be ordered within this financial year. MW said that the order of priority was The Hurst then Bagwell Lane. **Action JH**
8. Missing village sign & Taplins Farm Lane - JH confirmed that this has already been ordered as previously advised via email. JH will look into installation timeframe. **Action JH**
9. Pale Lane to The Hurst at Barley Mow PH. Any action? - No action was identified. There is not enough room to consider a traffic island. It was suggested, to ask Ian Janes to visit to see if he had any suggestions. **Action WPC**
10. Weight Restriction on the B3016 and other roads - Cllr Hodgetts expressed concern at the vibrations her home experiences with the weight of some vehicles. JH offered to take a look at the carriageway outside of her house as sometime, undulations within the carriageway surface can cause the vibrations when the vehicles are empty. JH cannot promise, any remedial work if undulations are found but it would identify the cause. Haulage companies frequently don't invest in HGV Satnav devices opting to purchase more general use Satnavs which don't highlight weight restricted roads or 'Not Suitable for HGV' signage. Recommendations; (a) take a note of the times large vehicles travel along the B3016. **Action JH/WPC**
11. Overgrown trees/bushes concealing important signage such as speed signs - This is the kind of job for the Lengthsman. Discussion also took place regarding the washing of signs, again another Lengthsman tasks. **Action: WPC/Lengthsman**

### Dogmersfield Parish Council Issues

1. Dogmersfield sign at Winchfield Gateway - JH confirmed that the existing sign had been salvaged and is currently being cleaned up, in their workshop, rails were OK. **Action JH installation date**
2. Damage to Traffic Island outside Church Rise - Focus has been on safety defect first, damaged street furniture removed as unsafe. **Action JH follow up**
3. Request to 'drop curb' adjacent to Highway Cottage - JH confirmed that this will be ordered within this financial year. **Action JH**
4. Provision of new posts or use of existing ones for deployment of SIDs - An onsite meeting is required to agree best pole positions; can be installed within 40 mph, with clear line of sight. Once pole positions agreed JH will then arrange installations. **Action PS/AC Meeting**
5. Fix date for first, and future, deployment of SIDS - Following No. 6 above, PS confirmed that loan and installation of SID can be arranged. **Action PS/AC**
6. Discuss joint speed watch with Winchfield - Cllr Williams said that, WPC are a wealthy Parish and have committed to purchase their own SID/SLR. DPC will, for the time being, borrow from HCC. **Action DPC/HCC**
7. Parking Outside of J&J Motors - This continues to be a problem, either cars waiting to be serviced or customers popping in. Mechanics have been seen 'working' on cars in the road. Could this be an environmental issue if there has been or there is a risk of oil/lubricant spillage? If parking outside prohibited where will vehicles park? **Action DPC to monitor.**
8. Parking outside of School - Congestion within the 'kiss & drop' zone. A problem throughout the area. Where are parents to park? All schools now built must have 20 parking spaces included in their Planning Application before approval. **No Action**
9. Double yellow lines - Not permitted on urban clearway. Individual businesses not focused on but surrounding area. **No Action**

10. Pilcot Hill, Chatter Alley footway link - Long term solution might be developer contribution, precept increase to fund a footpath link. In the interim, JH has agreed to install 'Pedestrians in the Road' signage.
11. Future development in Dogmersfield ; site vehicles, etc. parking on roads. Delivery vehicles in vicinity of school - Random parking falling into these categories was discussed. AC confirmed that, when commenting on Planning Application, mindfulness of parking, off-loading times etc. are requested but, of course, are difficult to enforce. JH suggested contacting Emma Whittaker regarding enforcement. General discussed resolved that; parking on the highway is the right of all, dangerous or illegal parking can be reported to the police.  
**Action Monitor by DPC**
12. Traffic calming reflectors - JH confirmed that replacement reflectors will be ordered and ones incorrectly placed would be re-sited. **Action JH**

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

James Holt requested that, where possible, when reporting highway issues please accompany reports with photographs. Often when reported issues are inspected, they are found to be over exaggerated. The utilisation of the lengthsman for clearance of vegetation around road signs, ditch clearances, verge reinstatement and road sign washing also encouraged.

Date of the next meeting Friday 20 September 2019 @ 1330