

Telford & Wrekin Rural Transport Working Group

MINUTES of the meeting held at 7pm on 9th March 2022 at Longdon upon Tern Village Hall

Attendance: D. Edwards (Chairman), C. Furnival (Secretary), Cllrs M. Crump, A. Fletcher (Rodington PC), Cllr R. Wickson (Ercall Magna PC), Cllr J. Quin (Waters Upton PC), PCSO Collumbell and 16 local residents.

01.2022 Election of Chairman

Cllr A. Fletcher, on behalf of Rodington Parish Council nominated Mr David Edwards to be elected as Chairman. There being no other nominations it was unanimously agreed that Mr David Edwards would be elected as Chairman of this working group for 2022-23.

02.2022 Introductions

D. Edwards introduced himself to the group, having worked in the transport industry for many years he felt it was important for him to put himself forward to help with the ongoing concerns relating to transport in the area.

D. Edwards said that it is important for everyone to manage expectations, it's important for us all to remember that everyone has a right to use the highway, we may not be able to overcome every hurdle due to legislative allowances.

Everyone was invited to introduce themselves.

03.2022 Purpose and scope of the working group

Purpose – The purpose of this group is to pull together a plan of what are the problems, what needs addressing and how. These need to be practicable and be aimed at working collaboratively.

Scope – This group is advisory for the local parish council, however, can make its own representations to TWC through the Chairman of this group who will work directly with the parish council to address the concerns of local people.

Involvement – Neighbouring parishes, police, residents, and the highways authority will be involved, all should aim to work together to find suitable solutions to concerns.

04.2022 Outstanding transport/road safety matters

A lengthy discussion, chaired by D. Edwards addressed the following points.

- A pedestrian bridge should be put next to Longdon bridge.
- Further information is required on how Longdon bridge is being inspected.
- The number of HGV's going over Longdon bridge need recording.
- Routes of vehicles going through Rodington parish and Crudgington have been addressed in the past but further conversations could be had with these companies.
- SID's to be installed by the parish council along the B5063 and other areas of the parish.
- Conditions attached to the hours of HGV movements at the Palletline site is between 6am in the morning and 6pm in the evening.
- Ercall Magna have quarterly meetings with Greenhouse to monitor their agreements over local road use.

- RPC could approach local companies in a similar approach by EMPC to try move HGVs to other routes that are less damaging to roads.
- EMPC could invite Chair of RPC to next meeting with Greenhouse to see how these relationships with local companies have developed.
- RPC should approach TWC to enquire if conditions could be applied to move HVG movements to A442.
- Speed limit on Tern Lane needs confirming.
- Double white lines all way through B5063 from Longdon entrance to Millers Row should be considered.
- Residents request vibration tests by Red House Barnes, Millers Row and by Tern Lane.
- Could signage be erected from Bratton advise that bridge ahead is unsuitable for HGVs.

05.2022 Arrangements for meetings

It was agreed that meetings will initially remain at Longdon upon Tern Village Hall and be quarterly.

Actions from this meeting

Action	Owner(s)
Address the routing of HGV's with companies and neighbouring parishes (short term)	RPC
Take all the requests today, incl signage, speed limit/quiet lane reviews, lining etc to TWC and invite them to a meeting for response (short term)	RPC/TWG
Request a temp vehicle monitoring devices and strips to be erected through the parish to collect data (short term)	RPC
Request vibration monitoring from TWC (short term)	RPC
Seek volunteers to come forward to help us do some vehicle movement and speed monitoring? (short term)	TWG
Ask TWC what would be required to consider planning stipulations to move HGV routing to A442 or other (long term)	RPC