

HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting of Hathersage Parish Council Transport Committee held on Tuesday 25 October 2022, 7.30pm, Hathersage Memorial Hall (Sampson Room)

Present: Cllrs Rosie Olle (Chair), Martin Bloor, Tim Hill, Jane Marsden, Peter Rowland and Nick Williams
In attendance: Maura Sorensen (Clerk); Kathryne Fraser (observing; shortly to be formally appointed as Assistant Clerk)

MINUTES

- 035/22 Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Bill Hanley, Heather Rodgers and James Shuttleworth.
- 036/22 To decide any variation in the order of business – none.
- 037/22 Declarations of interests – Cllrs Jane Marsden and Nick Shuttleworth in relation to minute 045/22 (rail capacity scheme).
- 038/22 Public participation – an opportunity for members of the public to make any representation to the Transport Committee in respect of items on this agenda; there were no members of the public in attendance.
- 039/22 Minutes of the meeting of 30 August 2022 were **agreed** and actions arising noted.
- .1 **Electric Vehicle Charging – update on DDDC plans:** noted DDDC were about to go out to tender for a contractor and anticipated the contract would be awarded by the end of the calendar year. Next stage is feasibility studies in eight car parks, including Oddfellows Road; if viable, Oddfellows Road could be included in a bid for funding through the On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme (ORCS).
- 040/22 **TRO:** noted the most recent correspondence from DCC Highways and the lack of commitment to any timescale for moving to the next stage of the TRO process. Referenced discussions with DCC Cllr Alasdair Sutton on 24 October including the impact of DCC Highways staff shortages. Noted Juggers Lane has been assigned a case number; evidence had been provided of damage to properties from cars driving on the Lane and obstructions to residents from parked cars.
- 041/22 **Parking matters:** noted discussions with DCC Cllr Alasdair Sutton the previous day. Acknowledged there had been some positive suggestions and proposals around next steps including looking to engage strategically with stakeholders (PDNPA and neighbouring Hope Valley parish councils). Agreed to seek a meeting with PDNPA Officer Tim Nicholson including asking how transport and parking are being addressed in the PDNPA Local Plan Review; and about any specific PDNPA plans for management of visitor transport and parking.
Parking enforcement: referenced discussions with DCC Cllr Alasdair Sutton; Cllr Sutton to advise HPC re Enforcement Officer numbers and days/hours of work. Flagged ongoing concerns about camper van parking in the village and elsewhere (noted this had not discussed at the meeting with Cllr Sutton).
- 042/22 **Speed reduction initiatives**
- .1 **Community Speed Watch (CSW):** Cllrs Hill and Williams shared their reservations about the efficacy of the scheme. Flagged that reports (including numbers of vehicles caught speeding) from CSW schemes in Derbyshire are shared. Also flagged that data gathered on speeding drivers shared with DCC helps highlight areas of concern.
Concerns expressed about the cost of the scheme; suggested looking at borrowing equipment from neighbouring parish or town councils for an initial ‘trial run’. Also noted other funding may be available.
Noted five Hathersage residents had expressed interest in volunteering. Agreed to look to convene a meeting with a member of the Police CSW team and the residents *Clerk to liaise*

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with the CSW Team and residents. Suggested it may be helpful for the Hathersage residents to meet with volunteers from the Grindleford CSW scheme.

- .2 **Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs):** Referenced discussions with DCC Cllr Alasdair Sutton; he had noted he was not aware of any parish councils having taken up/pursued the new SIDS initiative; suggested most are put off by a lack of clarity, the costs, and the administrative burden. Cllr Hill referenced his discussions with a company who provides SIDs and suggested he liaises further.

Reference made to the 'roaming' SID which had been used at the railway bridge on the A6187; noted it had not been used in some years *Clerk to flag with DCC Cllr Alasdair Sutton asking him to make enquiries re the SID whereabouts and whether it could be used at this location, again.*

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Public Transport

- .1 **Bus services:** Cllr Hill referenced recent improvements to bus services serving Hathersage, sharing details. He flagged the lack of services for 16-18s going to school/FE in Sheffield; he suggested he liaise further with operators.

Reference made to different timetables where the same bus service is shared between different operators – noted a need for better coordination and clarity. Cllr Hill **agreed** to review the specifics and to produce an article for Hathersage News re new bus timetables/changes to timetables; suggested also posting a notice in the HoH window; and flagging timetable issues with County and District Cllrs and the Derbyshire Dales MP. Queried re who is responsible for updating timetables at bus stops. Referenced useful real-time bus service information and tracker Apps.

- .2 **Bus Service Improvement Plan:** Cllr Hill shared a report. He had also shared minutes of the recent stakeholder group meeting. On the whole, Cllr Hill commended the plan. He flagged missing elements e.g. no reference to the impact of cyclists on buses running to time. He also highlighted lack of reference to instances of poor bus driving, and to the fact that many buses are noisy and uncomfortable. Nonetheless the need for positive support of the BSIP was agreed.

Cllr Hill noted, at the recent meeting, one of the bus operators had flagged concerns about the PDNP electric bus trials and lack of liaison with bus operators.

Cllr Hill reiterated the need to make constructive comments on the BSIP and suggested liaison with neighbouring Hope Valley parish councils re their views.

Cllr Hill will continue to attend the stakeholder group meetings and share updates.

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Mytham Bridge: noted the planned road closure, to enable initial repairs to be undertaken, had not taken as long as anticipated and Hope Road would be fully reopened from 26 October. Noted further, longer-term repairs to be undertaken in the future, possibly necessitating further road closures. Flagged that repairs are also needed at the other side of the bridge. Noted Froggatt Edge closure for a further fourteen weeks (Severn Trent works); and the need for further work at Grindleford Bridge.

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Hope Valley Rail Capacity Scheme: updates from Volker Rail Story had been shared.

Cllr Hill referenced train timetable changes coming into effect from December. Cllrs flagged recent problems with rail services – breakdowns, and cancellations. Cllr Hill suggested more detail, and explanations, were needed from train service operators on reasons for these service disruptions. Acknowledged the reports shared by the rail user group are useful.

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Clerk's Report / Correspondence including updates on any ongoing initiatives

- .1 **Noted** the DCC TRO (amended) consultation in relation to off-street parking in various places across the Peak Park. Cllr Hill flagged anomalies with the diagram/map shared outlining capacity at the Dennis Knoll car park.

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Next meeting – 24 January 2023.

Meeting ended at 9pm