



BROMLEY BOROUGH ROAD SAFETY CONSULTATIVE PANEL

Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, 14th October 2014 at the Civic Centre

Present:

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| John Harvey | PE | Chairman & Palace Estate RA |
| Christine Wearn | CS | Chislehurst Society |
| Beryl Grimani-Harrod | HV | Hayes Village Association |
| Hilary Ryder | KE | Keston Village Association |
| DJ Clapham?? | KE | Keston Village Association |
| Tony Exeter | KM | Keston Mark and Bromley Common Village RA |
| Miriam Harries | KR | Knoll Residents Association |
| John Watkins | LCRA | Little Chislewick Residents Association |
| Jane Morley | PF | Penge Forum |
| Derek Levoir | PL | Park Langley RA |
| John Pattenden | PW | Petts Wood Residents Association |
| Derek Cookson | SU | Sundridge RA |
| Ron March | SU | Sundridge RA |
| Mike East | WW | West Wickham Residents Association |
| Val Currie | LBB | Road Safety Officer |
| Laura Squires | LBB | Traffic Engineer |
| Kelly Padwick | LBB | Cycling Officer |
| Joe Webb | LBB | Cycling Officer |
| Lindsey Bryan | LBB | Cycling Officer |

1. Apologies:

Ken Gerry (BH), Dave Witherspoon (DR), Peter Daintree (PA), Cath Linney (Met Police)

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Signed off as a fair record

3. Matters arising from Minutes

SU Logs Hill./ Yester Road - double yellow lines have been added to junction, there is little else that can be done by the Highways Department. Comment that there is too much overhanging vegetation. Laura will contact the enforcement officer but residents will be charged for any work carried out.

Members of the panel have not seen the engineer's report re: Logs Hill / Yester Road

CS Traffic speed survey in Willow Road Chislehurst - average speed found to be 35 - 37 mph. Requested that summary to be emailed to panel member.

Wendover Road / Masons Hill - waiting for a response from TfL re: planned improvements at junction.

KM Harris Academy has been relocated without notification - currently using EDU at Princes Plain with a huge impact on parking and congestion. This has been raised with local councillors, the Chair will raise it with the Cabinet Member.

Val Currie to clarify, but it may not be viable for CCTV cars to be used to monitor zig-zag lines at schools, now that their use for non-school sites may no longer be permitted.

A planning permission for Bullers Wood School for Boys was expected imminently. Representations had been made that the - impact on traffic and parking should be considered.

High accident rates for country roads have been in the national news.

KM Preferred routes for construction traffic are not mandatory and despite there being designated routes for such traffic, drivers will use the shortest routes.

KE The large numbers of HGVs going through Keston Village is unacceptable. Residents have been consulted about LBB proposals for a roundabout at the junction of Heathfield Road and Westerham Road. The Residents Association is opposed to this and has put forward alternative resolutions and suggestions e.g. bus lane and width restrictions.

KM The roundabout would be close to bends in the road - queried whether it would slow traffic. Keston Primary School is seeking permission for an extra classroom, again with traffic implications.

Biggin Hill Airport proposals for expansion have implications for traffic and road safety. Perhaps the developers could be persuaded to put money into improving local junctions.

It has been agreed to hold three Road Safety Panel meetings per annum, one each academic term

4. Accident statistics

See Police Officer's report below.

5. Police Officers Report

The usual Ops Safeway and Cubo are continuing.

There are two collisions to report.

Shire Lane 19.10 hours, Sun 3rd August.

A male drove his BMW in Shire Lane towards the junction with Farnborough Hill. Unfortunately he didn't manage to stop at the mini roundabout and crashed through the trees. He sustained fatal injuries.

St Pauls Cray Road Sunday 7th Sept. 02.19 hours.

A 23 year old male pedestrian was hit by a car which failed to stop. He sustained serious injuries. Enquiries are still being made to attempt to trace the car and driver.

6. Road Safety Officers Report

Police stops

Wednesday 17th September - Junction Birch Tree Avenue & Layhams Road Coney Hall

1 non seatbelt wearing

2 mobile phones (1 was an off duty police officer using her phone as a Sat Nav)

As always, drivers were given the opportunity to discuss their offences with a Road Safety Officer!

No cyclists stopped

Footfall World Cup results

1st Darrick Wood Junior 2nd Valley Primary 3rd Leesons Primary

The Footfall World Cup competition has been shortlisted for a National ModeShift award from the ModeShift Charity

Junior Citizen Scheme

Our Road Safety Education team are continuing to support Junior Citizen events across the borough

We have secured some sponsors for our Smart Movers campaign (Biggin Hill Airport and Intu)

We have a few further meetings, so more to be confirmed at a later date

Youth Travel Ambassadors

An induction day was held for Secondary School YTA's and 7 schools have engaged in the programme. The aim of the YTA Scheme is to promote behaviour change and a healthy & active school community.

The YTA teams are working on a variety of campaigns to change student behaviour; in order to become less reliant on public transport at peak times, to ease congestion, to travel independently in a healthier, more active way and to improve relationships with bus drivers, etc. These schools are working in partnership with local police, Safer Neighbourhood teams, bus garages and their local community.

Adult Cycling

Our group adult cycle training sessions that are run at weekends in Norman, Cator & Goddington Parks have been very well attended.

Poster sites

The usual posters have been erected in:

Cedars Road, Beckenham

Chelsfield Lane, St Mary Cray

Church Road, Shortlands

Glassmill Lane, Bromley

Queens Mead Road, Bromley

Leamington Avenue, Orpington

The Avenue, West Wickham

West Common Road

Westerham Road

New 20 mph posters have been erected in:

Warwick Road, Penge & Witham Road, Penge

Later this month, Road Safety Officer Rosemary Tullett is planning to have the new High Visibility posters erected in Chelsfield Village and the new 'Cyclists + Mirror' signs placed on the approaches to the Chinese Roundabout.

Safety Camera's in the borough...Info from Angus Culverwell

Below are the TfL plans for Safety Cameras in the Borough.

TfL is undertaking a programme to replace all spot speed and red light, wet film cameras, which are nearing the end of their operational life. In Bromley there are 18 cameras that require replacement over the coming two years – some on Bromley-managed roads, some on the TLRN (the TfL managed network of red routes). A very limited number of cameras are planned to be decommissioned. These are sites that actually had no KSI collisions prior to installation – sites where the cameras were installed before the criteria were set out about how camera sites could be selected.

Speed Cameras on Bromley's Roads Needing Replacement

Mottingham Road By Ravensworth Road

Widmore Road By Southview

Southend Road By Stumps Hill Lane

Midfield Way By Chipperfield Road

Southborough Lane By Oxhathw Crescent

Elmers End Road By Beck Lane

Albermarle Road By Westgate Road

Red Light Cameras on Bromley's Roads Needing Replacement

Baston Road - Croydon Road

Croydon Road - Elmers End Road

Red Light Cameras on Bromley's Roads Proposed for Decommissioning

Sevenoaks Way - Leasons Hill

Main Road - Lebanon Gardens

Speed Cameras on the TLRN Needing Replacement

A232 Glebe Way - Silver Lane

A21 Hastings Road By Jackson Road

A20 Sidcup Bypass By Beaverwood Club

Bromley Common Road By Hook Farm Road

Tweedy Road By Florence Road

Red Light Cameras on the TLRN Needing Replacement

Croydon Road - Baston Road

Farnborough Common Road - Crofton Road

Speed Camera on TLRN Proposed for Decommissioning

A20 Sidcup Bypass West Of Cray Road

Already a Digital Camera

A21 Kentish Way By Elmfield Road

Generally across London, all red light cameras being upgraded are being changed to become speed-on-green cameras (i.e. speed cameras as well as red light cameras). However, on Bromley's own roads this will not be the case, as Bromley has refused permission for this to happen (Bromley has a policy of no new speed cameras).

Featured report - Kelly Padwick, Cycling Officer

Junior Travel Ambassadors

This scheme is for primary age children and is organised in conjunction with TfL.

It encourages road safety and walking, cycling or scooting to school.

Representatives from each participating school attend an induction day with workshops to develop confidence and to inspire them to take the messages back to school through various means:

- notice boards
- assemblies
- competitions (linked to Smart Movers)
- other activities to encourage a 'modal shift' in how children come to school e.g. Park and Stride

45 schools took part, with attendees receiving badges and certificates.

There is a competition for all schools involved to suggest the best ideas for promoting road safety and better ways of travelling to and from school. Schools are asked to document what they do and the finalists are rewarded with a trip to the London Transport Museum. The Road Safety Unit also hope to provide a prize for the winning school - possibly a bus at school.

School activities have included

- Dress up Brightly - photos and fashion shows
- activities around the clocks changing

Worsley Bridge Primary School won the competition this year. They ran competitions in school with different age appropriate events, held a Travel Safe Day where they invited the Police into school. LBB Road Safety Officers led Scoot Sure training.

7. Engineers Report

The projects list will be updated as there are to be changes made to the engineers responsible for each scheme.

8. Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that the Tesco Extra in Orpington continues at times to cause traffic to block at the traffic lights outside the store, due to cars failing to enter the car park - this has been raised from several sources.

John Harvey reported that a planning application has been submitted for the property at 112 Elmstead Lane, where hedges currently reach the kerb edge and force pedestrians to walk in the road. Following our representations to the planners, the application includes provision of a public walkway behind the kerb line.

9. Matters raised by members

CS Bullers Wood School for Girls - many cars are stopping on yellow lines.

PL Reminded about advertising Driving and Cycling Courses in Residents Association Newsletters.

SU Many cyclists are not using cycle paths despite improved signage. A comment was made by a cyclist that in some places e.g. along A21 into Bromley it is safer to cycle in the road due to crossing driveways, bus stops, lampposts etc. along the cycle path.

KM Traffic islands on A21 between Locks Bottom and the bus garage were removed without notification causing issues for pedestrians. However, should be reinstated following road works by Thames Water.

PF Is there any news of a scheme to improve junctions at Robin Hood-Croydon Road / Elmers End? Also at Penge High Street and Green Lane.

Aldi Supermarket is adding to congestion.

There have been complaints from Safer Neighbourhood groups about speeding on Parish Road, Penge. This is a designated cycle route and therefore very dangerous for cyclists.

PL Wickham Way - speed warning sign is again obscured by foliage (branches had been cut back but have grown again. Val reminded about reporting via Fix My Street.

Hayes Lane / Brabourne Road - crossing patrol sign has twisted on its pole and needs adjusting. Val to investigate.

PW Tudor Way / Petts Wood Road - consultation re congestion has been a huge expense (£70,000). The Residents Association Committee had no knowledge of accidents at the site, but now know that there have been 4 accidents in the last 3 years.

LCRA Sevenoaks Road / Main Road - there are no lights for pedestrians crossing Main Road. Update requested from Ishmail re guard rails. Also the refuges from the previous pedestrian lights are unlit and therefore dangerous.

10. Matters for the attention of the Portfolio Holder.

It was agreed to raise with the Portfolio Holder the issue of congestion and accident risk in Keston Village caused by construction lorry traffic and the objections to the proposed roundabout.

In addition, the road safety issues affecting residents, because of the new school at Princes plain, was also to be raised with the Portfolio holder.

11. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 3 February 2014 at 7.30pm in the Civic Centre.