

Bromley Borough Road Safety Consultative Panel

Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 5 July 2016 at the Civic Centre

Present:

John Harvey	PE	Chairman & Palace Estate RA
Grahame Savage	BH	Biggin Hill and District RA
James Rowe	BR	Beadon Road Residents Association
Roger Lawson	CS	Chislehurst Society
Beryl Grimani-Harrold	HV	Hayes Village Association
John Watkins	LCRA	Little Chiswick Residents Association
Peter Daintree	PA	Park Avenue Residents Association
Jane Morley	PF	Penge Forum
Robert Clegg	PL	Park Langley RA
Ron March	SU	Sundridge RA
Mike East	WW	West Wickham Residents Association
Val Currie	LBB	Road Safety Officer
Laura Squires	LBB	Traffic Engineer
Catherine Linney	MET	Police Officer

1 Apologies: Derek Cookson **SU**,

2 Minutes of Last meeting

Minutes signed, with minor amendment, as a true record.

3 Matters Arising

4 Police officer's report

Enforcement has been carried out at many locations across the borough, but it was particularly noticed in Park Avenue that speeds have reduced since ghost islands were painted in the road.

Roadwatch has been very active at many locations across the borough. If anyone has any locations to suggest or would like to get involved with Roadwatch, please contact me.

Operation Cubo (no insurance) is still ongoing, on a regular basis, across all London boroughs including Bromley.

There was a serious collision in Main Road Biggin Hill on 13th June where two vans collided head on.

5 Road Safety Officer's Report

Police stops

Farnborough Hill 19.4.16

The focus was on speeding, but as there were road works, traffic speeds were not as high as had been expected. Two Traffic cars, two Traffic motorcycles and a Police van were in attendance

17 cars were stopped in total:

12 cars travelling between 30 – 39mph were offered the opportunity to speak to a Road Safety Officer.

5 cars travelling between 40 – 45mph were reported for speeding.

4 car seats were checked, only 1 was fitted correctly.

St Mary Cray School 10.6.16

This location does not lend itself to speed checks, especially during rush hour, as the road is narrow and there are parked cars. However Road Safety Officers spoke to parents regarding seatbelts and children's car seats.

Recording parking issues online

https://www.bromley.gov.uk/site/xfp/scripts/xforms_form.aspx?formID=200

Residents can enter details of specific times/days when problems are occurring and we can target our enforcement accordingly.

Road Safety Poster Sites

Next rotation: August/September.

Holbrook Way

Magpie Hall Lane

Eden Park Ave

Worsley Bridge Road

Elmstead Lane

Rushmore Hill

Hawthorne Road

Queen Anne Avenue

Avondale Road

Southlands Road

CCTV traffic enforcement vehicles update Following legislation introduced by the former Local Government Secretary of State, Bromley has cut its enforcement vehicles to one and the enforcement team has been disbanded. If a school requests temporary fixed cameras, these can be supplied by Bromley Council. TFL will continue to provide CCTV enforcement on red routes.

There are now fixed-site automated CCTV cameras in use; there are 10 enforcing bus lanes and 5 enforcing school-keep-clear markings. The schools currently receiving enforcement are:

- Balgowan Primary (Balgowan Rd)
- Darrick Wood Infant/Junior (Lovibonds Avenue)
- Poverest Primary (Tillingbourne Green)
- Crofton Junior (Towncourt Lane)
- Chislehurst School for Girls (Beaverwood Rd)

TFL Accident stats Portal

A committee member had discovered a more user-friendly link than previously provided.

6 Engineer's Report

A list of projects and project officers' contact details had been supplied the previous year and would be circulated for the coming year

7 Chairman's Report

The chairman presented extracts from a report of 115,673 accidents in Britain, of which 18,097 were serious, analysing the causes of accidents.

It was reported that there had been some minor accidents in Plaistow Lane adjacent to the Hardware shop and that a possible contributory factor may be that vehicles parking in the layby often have the rear of the vehicle extending out into the highway, causing other vehicles to deviate in what is a narrow part of the road and possibly contributing to accidents.

It was reported that the right turn filter traffic light from Widmore Road into Tweedy Road had still not been relocated to a visible position and was still inoperative, thus making the right turn difficult and causing some vehicles to still take the "easier" route through the town centre and adding risk there.

It is understood that TfL have finally provisionally agreed to a possible slight widening of the mouth of Wendover Road at the Mason's Hill junction to create two distinct exit lanes, which would ease right and left turns and make the situation safer.

It was reported that there are TfL proposals to extend the Low Emission zone beyond the present boundaries.

Although not a safety issue, the Panel were reminded that the private feeder road to Waitrose at Bromley South is now subject to clamping for parking longer than needed for drop off and pickup.

8 Matters Raised by members

BR (James Rowe) There were problems crossing Widmore Road, going up the hill by St Mark's heading towards Beckenham.

KM A van with a mobile advertising display parked temporarily in a lay-by was diverting drivers' attention. No agreement as to what regulations were being breached, but it could be a traffic hazard.

PF Local residents had expressed concern via Fixmystreet about poor sight-lines at the junction of Parish Lane, Penge and Lennard Road, but as yet there was no outcome.

PF The junction near the Aldi Supermarket on Croydon Road was still causing problems (congestion and general ill-temper).

PF Local disquiet about the behaviour of pedestrians using mobile phones while crossing the road. The Road Safety officer pointed out that this issue is covered in schools road safety work.

CS Residents were parking right on the corner near the Tiger's Head. Parking on Manor Park Road was generally a nightmare. Val Currie would forward the Parking Portal link to the Committee.

PL The police speed checks sign was still missing in Wickham Road – this matter had been reported in the previous meeting. It was up to the Met where police activity took place, with input from Bromley Council.

PL Pedestrian access across the road at the Chinese Garage was made unnecessarily difficult due to the height of the raised and landscaped roundabout.

PL Traffic speeds were high and accidents had taken place on the bend in Wickham Way approaching the Chinese Roundabout. Motorists park in front of warning chevrons as there are no parking restrictions. Resurfacing work had not improved the situation.

BH The sightlines at roundabouts were too often being obstructed by the height of the roundabout and decorative plants.

Portfolio Holder No issues to report.

Date of the next meeting: Tuesday November 15th at 19.30 at the Civic Centre