

Bromley Borough Road Safety Consultative Panel

Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 5th June 2018 at the Civic Centre

Present:

John Harvey	PE	Chairman & Palace Estate RA
James Rowe	BR	Beadon Road
John Watkins	OSPC	Old St. Pauls Cray RA
Peter Daintree	PA	Park Avenue RA
Zoe Telford	WB	West Beckenham
Ron March	SU	Sundridge RA
Mike East	WW	West Wickham
Val Currie	LBB	Road Safety Officer
Laura Squires	LBB	Traffic Engineers Officer

1 Apologies: Tony Exeter **KM**, Barry Wood **CS**, Beryl Grimani – Harold **HV**, Jane Morley **PF**, Miriam Harries **KR**, Graham Savage **BH**, Catherine Linney **Met. Police**

2 Minutes of Last meeting

Minutes signed, as a true record.

3 Matters Arising

There were still problems with the Tweedy Road/ Mitchell Way scheme where cars have had tickets issued because of the way they intrude the bus lane as they turn the corner.

Roadworks continue to cause disruption in Westmorland Road due to the ongoing construction work but an end is in sight.

4 Police officer's report

At 06.47hrs on Sunday 18th March two cars were heading towards the junction with Thesiger Road and Parish Lane. One was in Thesiger and one in Parish Lane. The junction had been under the control of temporary signals which were not working. Both vehicles collided causing one of the rear passengers to sustain fatal injuries.

At 10.10hrs on Sunday 1st April a car was heading south in St Pauls Cray Road. The driver overtook some cyclists but for reasons unknown did not pull back in and hit a north bound bus head on. The car driver sustained fatal injuries.

Op Cubo and Roadwatch are both still very active in the borough.

5 Road Safety Officer's Report

Police Stops

27th June AM in Mottingham

New Road Safety Poster locations:

Magpie Hall Lane
Stone Park Avenue
Altyre Way
Saxville Road
Ravensbourne Avenue
Village Way
Crofton Road
Park Avenue
Durham Road
St Johns Road BR5

D by C events:

Hayes June'18

Darwin June'18

Langley Boys July '18

6 Traffic Engineers Report

The Traffic Team are to implement the following schemes:

- Croydon Road junction with Anerley Road improvements – this is a widening of the carriageway outside Aldi Supermarket including safety improvements to the road surface. This scheme should also help ease congestion. – expected late summer
- Penge High Street junction with Green Lane – the signals have been delayed however work is due to start in the summer holidays.
- Bourne Way junction with Hayes Station Approach - improved crossing facility and inset parking bays – expected to start late summer.
- Heathfield Road – minor traffic calming scheme to be started late summer.
- Warren Road junction with Court Road – the original roundabout design has been changed and has been submitted for a safety audit – expected to start early autumn.
- Bromley South to Shortlands cycle route – this has been redesigned in light of the consultation – expected to start by March 2019.
- Crofton Road Cycle Route – a site meeting has been proposed.
- Red Lodge Road junction with Station Road, West Wickham – junction improvements.
- Hayes Street – slight widening and parking scheme.
- Kingsway, Coney Hall – slight widening and parking scheme.

7. Chairman's report

The Chairman referred to the recent change to a two lane exit at the Wendover Road Masons Hill junction, which has much improved traffic flow by allowing vehicles to separately turn left or right without queuing back. The Chairman first proposed this change 34 years ago and has been constantly lobbying for this in the years since, proving that patience is indeed a virtue.

The meeting was reminded that the Bullers Wood Boys School is temporarily located in the previous DSS building at the Westmoreland Road - Masons Hill junction, pending a decision on whether the school will be able to transfer to the St Hugh's location previously refused planning.

There continue to be many cases of vehicles with one headlight either much dimmer than the other or not working at all. Cath Linney, our Met panel member, had indicated that she did not consider this a major issue.

The road safety changes around the new La Fontaine school in nightingale Lane, including some two wheels up parking and flashing warning signs at school start and finish times with 20 mile/h indication, appeared to be working well.

Reference was made to the Lewisham scheme applying 20 mile/h restrictions to all roads and the Chairman expressed the opinion that including major roads in the scheme risked lack of observance and also did not have the benefit of discouraging use of residential non-priority roads.

The Chairman mentioned that so far he had not been able to establish a working relationship with the new Portfolio Holder.

8 Matters Raised by members

PA Thanks were offered for the signage, maybe some of the road users will heed its advice.

WB There have been some accidents on the Quietways route from Copers Cope to Greenwich with cars ending up on their roofs. The stretch of road by New Beckenham Station has been criticised as not suitable for a Quietway, it is also not clear if cyclists should be using the road or the pavement. Traffic Engineer to investigate.

BR Expressed concern about the Norman Park Road access being in need of repair especially where cyclists are concerned. BR will report on 'FixmyStreet'.

A discussion on 'Fix my street' which is run by the 'Idverdi' group: responsible for grass cutting (or not) and the way verges are cut with the cuttings being blown on the road where they are clogging up the drains with the first rain shower. Road Safety Officer to investigate.

9 Matters for the attention of the Portfolio Holder There were no matters for referral to the Portfolio Holder

The meeting was closed at 9pm

Date of the next meeting: 7.30, Tuesday, 13th November at the Civic Centre