

## MID DEVON HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC ORDERS COMMITTEE

17 March 2023

Present:-

Councillors J Berry (Chair), R Chesterton and C Slade

Apologies:-

Councillors R Radford, F Letch MBE, M Squires and E Brookes-Hocking

Members attending in accordance with Standing Order 25

Councillor G Barnell

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**Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2022 be signed as a correct record.

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**Items Requiring Urgent Attention**

There was no item raised as a matter of urgency.

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**Traffic Sensitive Routes Review**

The committee considered the report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET/23/2) on the Traffic Sensitive Streets Review 2023.

It was explained that Devon County Council had a statutory duty to co-ordinate works activities on the road network which included the power to designate certain streets as 'traffic sensitive.' This designation allows works on a road to be better regulated to ensure freer flow of traffic. It was considered likely following the consultation that changes to legal powers would follow and some roads within Devon would be undesignated as 'traffic sensitive.'

Statutory consultation was proposed for April 2023 to include consultation with County Councillors. Members requested that information on what roads were designated as 'traffic sensitive' within their wards be circulated by officers.

Members noted the report.

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**Bus Users and Stakeholders (BUS) Forum**

The Committee noted the establishment of the Bus Users and Stakeholders (BUS) Forum by the Devon Bus Enhanced Partnership Board under the new

Enhanced Partnership arrangements (more information on the Travel Devon website: [DevonBus Enhanced Partnership - Travel Devon](#))

**RESOLVED** that Councillor R Chesterton be appointed to the Bus Users and Stakeholders (BUS) Forum as this Committee's representative.

\* **31**      **Speed limits on the A377**

(Councillor G Barnell attended in accordance with Standing Order 25 and spoke to this item.)

Members received an update on progress since the last meeting of this committee on the A377 in which it was recommended that the SCARF process be utilised.

Officers explained that surveys had been undertaken at three locations on the A377 and had been passed on to a specialist for review.

Members noted the update.

\* **32**      **Newton St Cyres New School - Speed Limit and Road Signage**

(In accordance with Standing Order 23(2), Councillor F Letch had requested that the Committee consider this matter.)

(Councillor G Barnell attended in accordance with Standing Order 25 and spoke to this item.)

This had been raised due to concern regarding road usage around Newton St Cyres Primary School on Station Road, in particular the volume of traffic, both moving and parked and its impact on visibility and potential safety.

Officers were willing to assess the potential use of wig-wag lights to warn road users regarding the presence of the school, as they agreed that the presence of a school at that location was inconspicuous. They also advised that any proposed waiting restrictions would have to follow the formal Local Waiting Restriction Programme process.

\* **33**      **Delegated Powers**

Members received the report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET23/23) which advised on traffic orders progressed since the last meeting of this committee, with such actions taken under delegated powers.

Members noted the report.

\* 34 **Petitions/Parking Policy Reviews**

There was no current petition for a parking review from a member of the public relating to Mid Devon.

\* 35 **Items for Future Meetings**

There were no items raised for consideration at future meetings.

\* 36 **Dates for Future HATOC Meetings**

Dates for future meetings were noted as:

27 July 2023  
24 October 2023  
29 February 2024

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\* **DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT**

The Meeting started at 10.30 am and finished at 10.47 am