

Minutes of the Transport and Traffic Sub Committee  
Held at the Civic Hall, Lee Street, Uppermill  
On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2010

There were present            Cllr. Mr. R. Franklin – Chairman  
   Cllrs. Mr. P. Bagley  
   Mr. M. Buckley  
   Mrs. A. McInnes  
   Mrs. A. Parry  
   Cllr. Mr. R. Knowles (Oldham M.B.C.)  
   Graham Parker - GGRA  
   Kath Airey – Uppermill Parking  
   Geoff Bayley - Delph Community Association  
   Ian Merckel – Lydgate residents  
   P.C.S.O. Kath Crompton  
   P.C.S.O. Rachel Stead

105. Councillor Mike Buckley and Ian Merckel were welcomed to their first meeting.
106. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs. Mr. A. Hodgkiss & Mrs. D. Shaw, John Martindale – Delph Community Association & Richard Darlington – Grotton residents
107. **Minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2010** – Minute 98d, should read it is understood that West Riding Council stopped replacing the mirror at the junction of Grains Road, Stoneswood Road & Millgate after it had been stolen on a number of occasions.
108. **Update from last meeting**
- a. **Land at the Spinney** – still awaiting a response from Oldham Council
  - b. **Sign Cleaning** – the signs on the main routes have been cleaned, if members are aware of any signs that have been missed please pass details to the Clerk.
  - c. **Gritting routes** – some suggestions have been made but the impression given at the District partnership that this group would be involved in the discussions about alterations has not been realised. Details of the routes are available from Councillor Franklin. Additional grit bins have been requested, two sites suggested, Quick Edge Rd Lydgate by the entrance to Lydgate Mill and Wade Hill Road on Wharmton, any other possible sites should be notified to the Clerk to be passed onto Oldham Highways.
  - d. **Lee Cross** – the work has now been completed.
  - e. **Inappropriate parking in Uppermill** – the yellow lines have been re-painted in parts of Uppermill, particularly near Buckley's on High Street and at the junction of Lee Street and Court Street.
109. **Feedback from meeting between Councillors McCann (Highways Cabinet member), Beeley (District Partnership Chair) and Franklin** – it has been suggested that issues raised with the Parish Council will be circulated to all Ward and Parish Councillors as well as the Highways department. The Highways department will also

be asked to notify the sub-committee of issues raised directly with them to ensure that decisions are not made in isolation.

## 110. Village issues

### Delph

- a. The white and yellow lines have been re-painted, the new road narrows sign has not arrived yet.
- b. The Delph traffic group are looking to produce a questionnaire about a possible 20 mph limit, it was suggested that it should be multiple choice, hopefully a draft will be passed to this sub-committee. Consideration also needs to be given to whether a scheme would meet the current criteria.
- c. The parking restrictions near to the School have been delayed by objections to the Traffic order, which will be considered by a TRO panel.
- d. The flashing warning signs cannot be installed until UU provide a power supply
- e. Other authorities use mirrors and Geoff Bayley supplied information which needs investigating.

### Diggle

- a. The village signs have not been installed in Diggle, the Clerk will contact Oldham Council to check which signs have been installed and which are still to be installed.
- b. The road at the end of Sunfield Avenue has yet to be mended.

### Dobcross

- a. The work on Sugar Lane has now been carried out
- b. Signs are still required at the A62 junction with Wallhill Road and Huddersfield Road, power needs to be provided to illuminate them.

### Greenfield & Grasscroft

- a. Farrars Arms junction – the statistics suggest that most accidents involve vehicles travelling from Uppermill turning towards Grasscroft. PCSO Stead will check what accidents have been recorded at the junction over the last twelve months. The Give Way sign needs adjusting and the give way markings on the road need to be re-painted. It was suggested that a usage survey should be carried out on both roads with a view to possibly changing the priority of the roads at the junction.
- b. **Greenfield Station** – The 40 mph mandatory repeater sign will be moved, the road surface needs attention, it has been indicated as a priority for the current financial year but the road will have to be closed for the work to be carried out.
- c. **Section 106 monies** – GGRA have written to the Chief Executive concerning the apparent lack of consultation
- d. **Ladhill Bridge** – new signs have been installed but waiting for power to be provided to illuminate them.
- e. **Parking area opposite Royal George pub** – articulated lorries are parking in the lay-by over-night. PCSO Stead will check the legal position.

### Lydgate

- a. **Flashing warning sign** – the sign on Oldham Road appears to work intermittently
- b. **Quickedge Road** – the road is not passable by cars but is picked up on SATNAVs. It is suggested that either No through road or unsuitable for motor vehicle signs should be installed at both ends, in Oldham and Tameside.

- c. **Chicane** – problems are caused by vehicles parking between the give way sign and chicane.

**Uppermill**

- a. **Gulley on Court Street** – unsure whether problem has been solved due to lack of heavy rainfall
- b. **Pavement outside Waggon Inn** – The Clerk will contact Oldham Highways.
- c. **Time-limited parking** – the restrictions will not be implemented until August. Better signage is still required for the Pool car park and white line work is still needed on the baths Car Park. The Square and the approach to Geo.V Playing Field Car park will be dealt with under separate no waiting orders.

- 111. **G.M.I.T.A.** – the new Metrolink depot near Old Trafford Cricket Ground is progressing. Councillor Knowles is meeting with Northern Rail to discuss the lack of carriages on the Greenfield Line and only non-opening of doors on the front carriages doors when there are four carriages. There is still of a shortage of space on a large number of trains. Improvements are unlikely until the new franchises in 2012. He is also pressing for airport trains to stop at Stalybridge. Councillor Franklin will be attending the next meeting of the Friends of Mossley Station. Disabled access is still a problem at Greenfield Station, the temporary solution is to use the Ring and Ride service from Stalybridge Station.
- 112. **Tourist Bus** – The service will start on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June, posters and timetables have been distributed around the area, including at Railway stations and Travelshops.
- 113. **Frequency of meetings** – future meetings will be held monthly, usually on the first Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 pm at the Civic Hall.