

Minutes of the Transport and Traffic Sub Committee
Held at the Civic Hall, Lee Street, Uppermill
On Wednesday 9th September 2009

There were present Cllr. Mr. R. Franklin – Chairman
 Cllrs. Mr. P. Bagley
 Mrs. A. McInnes
 Mrs. D. Shaw
 Raad Al-Hamdani – Area Committee nominee
 Kath Airey – Uppermill Parking
 P.C.S.O. Jennifer Ballagher
 Sue Eachus (Oldham M.B.C.)

76. Apologies for Absence: Cllr. Mr. A. Hodgkiss, Cllr. Mrs. A. Parry, Mr. R. Knowles (Oldham M.B.C.) and Richard Darlington.

77. Update on minutes from last meeting

- a. Greenfield Station Parking** – Dog training centre not interested in providing parking for rail users.
- b. Wool Road Car Park** – Sue Eachus to chase up.
- c. Bus stop location** – Following the re-organising of the bus stops in Lees, which resulted in the 180 and 184 using different stops, both numbers now appear on both bus stops. The Clerk will contact GMPTE to ask them to remove the numbers from the stop outside The Swan.
- d. Car Park Top of Stanedge** – Sue Eachus to chase up
- e. Cycle storage** – nothing to report.
- f. Land at the Spinney** – Sue Eachus is awaiting costs for the proposed land drain
- g. Gritting routes** – The report has been prepared, Sue will arrange for a copy to be circulated to the Sub-committee
- h. SPid signs** – Oldham Council are to purchase a number of the speed indication signs to be installed across the Borough. The Parish Council may purchase one of the signs.
- i. Cleaning Roadsigns** – the District partnership are dealing with this.
- j. Section 106 monies – Friezland** – following the recent meeting, modifications to the suggested scheme are being considered.
- k. Vehicle speeds on Cooper Street and Den Lane** – Dave Benning is investigating
- l. No Balls Games – Bridgefield Crescent** – The Clerk will identify who owns the land.
- m. Bollards – Stockport Road** – the bollards are currently in place.
- n. Road surface Oldham Road near to Greenfield Station** – Sue Eachus to follow up.
- o. Church Road, Uppermill** – The 30 mph signs placed near to Gelfield Lane have been vandalised. A letter will be sent to the Oldham Chronicle in response to the recent story, explaining the reason for the signs.
- p. Village signs** – The designs for Borough Boundary signs have now been approved, the new signs should be erected early in 2010.

- 78. Car Parking in Uppermill** – A meeting has been held with Councillor John McCann and officers from Unity Partnership, this included a site visit to all the car parks in Uppermill. It was proposed that restrictions be introduced in the Square as soon as possible, there will be no parking from late Tuesday evening to allow the Market to set up, there will also be time limited parking during the day-time on other days.

The resurfacing of the King George V Playing Fields car park is excellent, there is a problem with vehicles parking on the access road. Unity Partnership will look at installing double yellow lines.

Proposals are also being drawn up for time-limited parking during the day on the other car parks in the centre of Uppermill. Unity Partnership have been asked to move the Disabled spaces on the Smithy Lane car park and look at reconfiguring the Victoria Mill Car Park, next to the Museum. They will also clarify the enforcement of Disabled Parking bays on the car parks.

The surface at the car park at the Swimming Baths is now excellent, additional white lining is required, this will incorporate a turning circle for School buses. Some of the trees in the car park need trimming. The direction signs for the car park need to be changed to identify it as a long stay car park.

Consideration is also being given to the possible introduction of Residents parking in the evening on Court Street, Lee Street and the Village Green.

The feasibility of some parking on the grasses area on Carr Lane is being considered.

- 79. Parish Plan up-date** – Following the responses to consultation on the draft Plan, the Parish Plan is being finalised and should be printed by the end of October.
- 80. Car Parking facilities at Dovestone** – The RSPB are looking at the possibility of extending the car park at Dovestone. Consideration is being given to a tourist bus running from Greenfield and Uppermill to Dovestone on Saturday and Sunday in the Summer. The RSPB are holding two public consultation meetings at the Civic Hall.
- 81. G.M.I.T.A. issues** – Richard Knowles is arranging a meeting to look at the possibility of reducing the fare between Marsden and Greenfield.
- 82. Oldham Council issues** – The position of the new drop kerb at the bottom of Court Street is to comply with current Health & Safety advice. Drop kerbs are also being installed in Greenfield. Sue Eachus is looking at the problems with the Pelican crossing outside the Post Office in Uppermill following the changes at the front of the Jamaica Blue café.
- 83. Date of next meeting** – Wednesday 11th November 2009 at 7.30 p.m.