

Minutes of the Transport and Traffic Sub Committee
Held at the Civic Hall, Lee Street, Uppermill
On Tuesday 22nd March 2011

There were present Cllr. Mr. R. Franklin – Chairman
Raad Al-Hamdani – (Vice-Chair and DP representative)
Cllrs. Mr. P. Bagley
 Mr. M. Buckley
 Mrs. A. Parry
Kath Airey – Uppermill Parking
Richard Darlington – Grotton residents
Ian Merckel – Lydgate residents
John Martindale – Delph Community Association
Geoff Bayley – Delph Community Association
Councillor Alan Roughley - Denshaw Community Association
P.C.S.O. Mark Detheridge
Gordon Anderson – Unity Partnership

- 165. Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs. Mr. B. Cullen, Mrs. A. McInnes & Mrs. D. Shaw
Cllr. Mr. R. Knowles (Oldham M.B.C.), David Harrison, Graham Parker – GGRA, &
Alex Jeffrey – Diggle Community Association.
- 166. Tourist Bus** – The District Partnership considered a marketing plan for the service and agreed to provide funding of approx. £4k for the service to operate for at least 6 weeks in 2011. The service would run half hourly and link with bus arriving in Uppermill from across the area. Additional marketing analysis is to be carried out and consideration will also be given to reducing the fare for people without a valid rail or bus ticket.
- 167. Disabled Parking bays** – the meeting with Andy Cowell to review the eligibility criteria has not taken place yet. Chair to arrange.
- 168. Accident Prevention Group** – Some speed monitoring is being carried out in Diggle.. P.C.S.O. Detheridge will check when the Speed Guns will be available in the area.
- 169. Huddersfield to Manchester line** – representatives have met with Debbie Abrahams M.P. to alert her to the difficulties on the line, in particular the fare between Greenfield and Marsden, over-crowding and waiting time to travel to Manchester Airport from Stalybridge. An inaugural meeting of representatives from the stations on the line will be held in Greenfield tomorrow Wednesday.
- 170. De-cluttering of Saddleworth and Lees** - the Parish Council and District Partnership have agreed the terms of reference of the group. The working group will be Raad, Mike Buckley and David Harrison. Ian Meynell from Oldham Council Street Scene will be asked to join the group, Unity will also be invited to join the group. The initial project will cover the length of the A62 included in the original CABB submission.
- 171. G.M.I.T.A. Issues** – emergency sewer work will be taking place on Denshaw Road Delph, this will require the closure of the road on three occasions over the next few

months. Discussions are taking place with the bus service providers for alternative routes during the closures.

172. Village issues

Delph

- a. Road layout – Grains Rd / Stoneswood Rd / Millgate – the proposals for changes to the junction were circulated. Gordon Anderson was asked to look at the proposals and also the request for a mirror.
- b. Bridge – the sign for erection outside the White Lion has been ordered.
- c. The replacement speed limit signs on Stoneswood Road have not been installed.

Diggle

- a. Village signs – the cost of providing the two new signs will be considered by the District Partnership in June.
- b. Small amendments have been made to the proposed parking restrictions, this includes yellow lines on Sam road requested by the Diggle Community Association..

Dobcross – the proposed parking restrictions are being processed

Greenfield & Grasscroft – nothing to report

Lees – nothing to report

Lydgate

- a. Boundary wall – the issue of the top stones on the wall has been resolved. The speed reduction measures near the White Hart are being amended, the residents are happy with the proposals. The residents are going to formally thank the contractors for the way they have carried out the re-building of the wall. Some concern expressed about the erection of bollards. Mike Buckley to meet with Unity.
- b. Speed signs will also be considered at the District Partnership meeting in June.

Denshaw

- a. Cats eyes on Ripponden Rd towards the motorway – Gordon will chase up. There are problems with the road surface between the Caravan site and Rams Head and also the verge near to the Caravan site.
- b. Denshaw cross-roads – problems occur when the M62 is closed, it was suggested that the Highways Agency be asked to provide funding to improve the layout of the junction. Gordon Anderson to try to ascertain the number of times the M62 has been closed in the recent past.

Uppermill

- a. Time-limited parking – Kath Airey suggested only one of the car parks in the centre of Uppermill should be time-limited. There will be a review of the scheme after 6 months. Discussions are to be held with the three ward Councillors about the responses to the Residents Parking survey. Agreed the system has released spaces for those in outlying villages to find a place to park.

173. Resurfacing – the first phase of the re-surfacing will be starting shortly. The £25k per ward from the current financial year is being carried over into the new financial year. All the requests are being considered, meetings will be held in April / May to agree the priorities. Details of the main programme works are required to assist in the process.

174. Date of next meeting – The next meeting will be Tuesday 26th April at 6.00 pm at the Civic Hall.