



# Weldon Parish Council

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## Draft Minutes of Working Party Meeting held on Monday 15th November 2021

Cllrs Present	Peter Dowsett, Janet Gibson, Angela Page (chair), Dick Priem, Colin Shepard, Graham Stray, Simon Taylor and Anton Vickers
Also Present	4 residents and Sue Cook (Clerk)

**WP.040** No Apologies had been received.

**WP.041** The minutes of the meeting held on 27th September 2021 were approved

**WP.042** Review of the Roads and traffic speed from the minutes –

There have been 2 traffic surveys carried out along Church Street, the speed of the traffic is not the main problem it is the volume of traffic. This would equate to somewhere in the regions of 700,000 vehicles using Church Street per year. Copies are attached to these minutes with copies already posted on the website.

**20 is Plenty Campaign** Cllr Dowsett has ordered 800 stickers. Cllr Shepard offered to distribute some along Church Street. Both Cllr Dowsett and Cllr Stray are working with all the schools in the parish to get their involvement. It was agreed that a letter should be drafted and distributed to the houses along Corby Road, Oundle Road, High Street and Stamford Road asking residents to contact the Parish Council for stickers.

It was felt that it was pointless proceeding with the survey at the end of the 20mph trial, the signs are too small, some have been damaged and most drivers aren't taking any notice of them.

There has been no update from NNC with reference to the Double Yellow Lines, or white lines on roads on the approach and departure to allow planters being put on various roads. Cllr Taylor to chase this up.

The 4 Planters have been purchased and are in situ. It was agreed that 20's Plenty stickers should be applied to 2 faces on each one, 1 face to have sponsorship and the 4th face to "Provided by Weldon Parish Council". Mr Green has contacted several businesses in Weldon for Sponsorship of the planters.

Spine Road opening is planned for Sunday 21st November or Monday 22nd November and it is planned for the work on the Oundle Road roundabout to

be carried out in the New Year. It was suggested that once traffic is using Spine Road to a satisfactory level that the Parish Council should withdraw their objection to the outstanding planning application to zone 3. The road may not be adopted for 4 to 5 years, until building stops, the 20mph signs will be removed and replaced with 30mph. To be agreed by full Council. Cllr Dowsett suggested that there should be 7.5-ton limit signs on all entrances to Weldon Village, funded by Persimmon as part of the section 106 agreement.

There is an entrance been made on the Oundle Road, thought to be related to the construction traffic for the school, however it is half way up the hill in the dip and vehicles coming down Oundle Road may be unseen. Cllr Taylor to investigate and Cllr M Page to contact Kirstie Clifton.

Cllr S Taylor confirmed that the updated design for the A43 crossing and footpath from Priors Hall to Weldon Village has been submitted to NNC.

The missing bollards opposite the George Inn have been replaced.

Concern was raised about the parking along Chapel Road when children are being dropped off or picked up from School. It is believed that the Village Hall Car Park is being used. The Clerk agreed to contact both Suzanne Preston and PC Brad Wilson. Cllr Priem suggested that perhaps it would be a good idea to reinstate the walking bus.

Cllr Stray is looking for volunteers to help with Speed Watch, North Northamptonshire Police Safer Road Teams are looking to hold in the Spring.

Discussion took place on the consultation of the proposed closure of Kettering Road, which included Cllr Taylor explained that option 4 would make Kettering Road one way with no right hand turn from High Street onto the Oundle Road. One other suggestion at this meeting was that perhaps after Corby Borough Council ignored Weldon Parish Council objections to Cowthick, Corby Borough Council could have considered supporting the traffic issue by insisting in a bypass this side of Weldon. **This Parish Council is committed to making every road/footpath safer for everyone in the Parish.** There needs to be a common path found between the residents and the Parish Council. Whatever happens it needs to be joint venture.

**WP.043 Agree on a way forward and how to implement it –**

Sponsorship for the planters

To continue with 20's Plenty campaign

To engage with the School Children over the parking issues

To reform the Walking Bus

7.5ton weight limit signs

Church Street Traffic Survey Report to be posted on the website

Campaign for Speed Watch volunteers

**Church Street footpath to be carried forward to the next meeting.**

**WP.044 Date of next meeting - Tuesday 11th January 2022 starting at 18:30.**

Cllr A Page closed the meeting at 20:40 after thanking everyone for attending the meeting and their input.

