



Weldon Parish Council

Draft Minutes of Working Party Meeting held on Monday 17th October 2022

Cllrs Present	John Cooke, Peter Dowsett (Chair), Janet Gibson, Colin Shepard, Graham Stray and Anton Vickers,
Also Present	NNC Ward Councillors David Simms and Kevin Watt, 2 residents. Simon Taylor and Sue Cook (Clerk)

WP.074 **Apologies** had been received from Cllrs A. Page, M Page, D Priem and G Stray, all were accepted

WP.075 **There were no comments from the residents**

WP.076 **Cllr Dowsett gave the following outline of the meeting held on 30th September:**

Chairman (and MP) Tom Pursglove.

WPC Traffic Working Party: Peter Dowsett, Simon Taylor and Michael Page, Persimmon Dan Endersby (Director)

NNC Highways Authority Chris Bond, K Cook, Graeme Kane (Assistant Director NNC Highways Authority) Graham Lawman (Executive for Highways), James Docherty and

Aecom Consultants Claire Parkinson and Jo France

Following are some notes. We agreed to collaborate to find the art-of-the-possible and this includes face2face meetings now.

Kettering Road - NNC currently will not take the closure of Kettering Road further due to public objections.

Action - Persimmon to look at alternatives or alleviate the documented concerns of residents.

Suggestion - A public consultation event for 1 weekend in the Village Hall/Holiday inn.

A43 Crossing Action - Aecom to draw a fully compliant crossing with centre island as the “gold” standard, NNC will then provide officers to get round a table to look at the site constraints and make the crossing viable - design and cost wise.

Suggestion - As there is currently no footpath from the Stamford Road roundabout to Old Stamford Road; a pedestrian barrier should be installed to segregate traffic from pedestrians approximately 100m.

Airfield Way - Persimmon can have Airfield Way fully finished by mid-2023, then NNC will issue the completion certification and the maintenance period will start. This will then trigger the final advance signage install, weight limit and the change in location of the A427 to Airfield Way.

Action - Persimmon have agreed to install “Not suitable for HGV signage” on approach roads to Weldon Village and to begin with permanent signage in due course. Emailed design and cost agreement work on this started immediately



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following the meeting - thank you. Persimmon proposed to NNC and WPC the advance direction signs into Weldon that they would remove.

Suggestion - In addition, please can Persimmon start discussion with Stagecoach to route double decker X4 bus on to Airfield way and away from the ancient Oundle Rd bends and narrow bridge.

Walking and cycling to the school See above for short term improvement along Stamford Rd.

Action - WPC to propose to NNC what the walking and cycling routes should look like to protect the safety of the public from both Priors Hall Park and Weldon Village to the new school. This is likely to include temporary crossings on Oundle and Stamford Roads.

The meeting moved on to discuss Travel to Weldon Academy, details are attached to these minutes.

WP.077 The Action Log was not reviewed at this time

WP.078 Date of next meeting - Tuesday 22nd November at 18:30 via Zoom

Cllr Dowsett closed the meeting at 19:45