



# Weldon Parish Council

**Draft Minutes of Working Party Meeting held on Wednesday 15th November 2023**

Cllrs Present	Peter Dowsett (Chair), Janet Gibson, Mike Page, and Anton Vickets
Also Present	Rural Councillor Kevin Watt, Simon Taylor, 2 residents and Sue Cook (Clerk)

- WP.100** **Apologies** had been received from Cllr A Page, Cllr Shepard, Cllr Stray along with apologies from 3 residents all were accepted
- WP.101** **Public time was spent discussing the forthcoming closure** of the Kettering Road to allow the building of the first roundabout off the A43. It was agreed that there were several inaccuracies which need to be addressed:  
The drawing has Kettering Rd wrongly labelled as Stamford Rd. This will confuse the public. There may be a discrepancy between Google Earth and the maps used by the TM Contractor. To Confirm the road closure is between the A43 and before the recycling centre. Also, the recycling centre will remain open for business. The crossover point from the A43 into Kettering Road was closed during the construction of the Holiday Inn Roundabout, recently there were vehicles in the middle of the A43, to help the contractor and for the SAFETY of the public, we would like the crossover closed until the roundabout is fully finished. The diversion route takes traffic up the A43 past the roundabout with the Corby Road. There is a risk that drivers will cut through Weldon Village here rather than staying on the diversion route. Corby Rd is also 7.5t restricted. The road should be half gated and signing for access to Weldon Village only. The A43 PHP Ph1/Weldon Village roundabout needs signing with no access to A43 through Weldon Village. HGVs travelling to the commercial landfill, Rodgers at 102 Kettering Rd, Weldon Stone etc will need to use High Street and Kettering Rd which are 7.5t restricted. This weight limit needs to be temporarily suspended (signs covered) on these two roads only. The new A43 PHP Ph2/Persimmon Weldon Park roundabout is another opportunity for traffic to leave the diversion route. Please can road closures ahead signs be put out here. This roundabout is not shown on the drawing, please add this and Airfield Way so the drawing can be used for communication without causing confusion to the public. Weldon Park residents use Weldon Village and Kettering Rd as a cut through. Please can advance warning signs be placed on Airfield Way & Oundle Road. Please can advance warning signs be put on the A427 Persimmon Roundabout to direct traffic down Airfield Way and on to the diversion route. Also access only to Weldon Village for Oundle Rd at this roundabout. Advance warning signs to be added at the junction of Oundle Road and Church St to deter vehicles from using Church Street only. These comments will be forwarded to NNC Highways by 17th November.
- WP.102** **Review of a meeting held on 14th September taken as read.**
- WP.103** **Persimmon traffic calming scheme v.6.1** - Cllr Dowsett informed the meeting that letters to the residents along Church Street, Kettering Road and Oundle Road had been hand delivered. 5 residents had responded. Cllr Dowsett has compiled a log of the comments which have been forwarded to both Jack Marriott of Persimmon and NNC, 2 of these will go to the detailed planning stage.



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- WP.104**      **The Action Log** was reviewed and will be amended accordingly.
- WP.105**      A full review of the **Travel section of the Neighbourhood Development Plan** to be carried out by Cllrs Dowsett, M Page and Vickers.
- WP.106**      **Date of next meeting - Wednesday 17th January 2024 at 18:30 via Zoom**

**Cllr Dowsett closed the meeting at 20:05**