

# TRAFFIC PLAN WORKING PARTY

## THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2009



The meeting was held in the Ball Room at Gurnard Pines from 7pm

### PRESENT:

Richard Day, Alan Jacobs, Pauline Lloyd, Hugh Robotham, Vicky Spencer, Sylvia Pain, IW Councillor Paul Fuller, Youth Advisor Jonathon Luter and the Parish Clerk (Rusty Adams)

#### 1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Alan Jacobs was elected to serve as Chairman for the forthcoming year.

#### 2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Nigel Warren and Matthew Church.

#### 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 2/4/09 MEETING

##### a. Tuttons Hill D/Y Lines

The possibility that some of the D/Y lines were being scrapped off was reported to the IW Council, and the damage has been repaired.

##### b. Village Signage Survey

The IW Council's Area Superintendent for Gurnard undertook to implement nearly all the defects outlined in the survey, and this is a work in progress.

##### c. Speed Indicator Device (Baring Road)

Jonathon Luter wrote to Councillor Hobart about speeding in the road, and it is expected that a Speed Indicator Device will be installed in the road, possibly by September. **Councillor Fuller will monitor the situation.**

#### 4. COCKLETON LANE SPEED MONITORING

The results of the exercise from 17/4/09 to 1/5/09 was copied all members. The summary gives mean speeds of 27 and 26 mph, and the highest 85 percentile as 31 mph. The Working Party felt speeds were often higher than those recorded, **and asked that the articulated vehicle figure of 937 in direction 2 is queried.**

#### 5. OBSERVATIONS FROM WORKING PARTY FOR FUTURE TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

D/Y lines in Cockleton Lane adjacent to the wooden posts between Hilton Road and Gurnard Farm.

#### 6. PARISH COUNCIL MAY QUEEN CONSULTATION

The survey carried out at the May Queen Fete flagged up 2 traffic plan issues, namely that car parking in Worsley Road should be reduced (looks like a scrap yard?) and that a Speed Indicator Device should be installed towards the bottom of Solent View Road. **The Working Party recommended that enquiries are made about a S.I.D. for the lower end of Solent View Road, but that no action was appropriate in respect of the comments about Worsley Road parking as a TRO would be counterproductive.**

#### 7. SOLENT MIDDLE SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

##### a. Travel Plan Review

2 separate reviews were copied to all to give a flavour of what is involved. Nigel Warren passed on that things are progressing with the green carpet now in place in Baring Road and a clothes-drying machine has been provided at school for wet days.

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- b. Nigel Warren also passed on that Ian Rock is attending to provide some Level 1 cycle training this month, but he is concerned that Gurnard and Cowes Primary Schools are apparently allowing children to cycle to school without the Level Two training. Level 2 training is still unavailable through the IW Council but he is aware that schools are being asked to qualify staff to provide this, but he wasn't aware that there may be another source of Level 2 training provision. **Councillor Fuller is working on setting up a meeting with various parties to find a way forward on providing Level 2 training.**

It was reported that the Round House junction continues to be a safety concern for some residents with respect to school children crossing the road. It was suggested that the Solent Middle School Travel Plan might have a "safe crossing point".

**It was agreed that Councillor Fuller, Richard Day, Vicky Spencer and Sylvia Pain would monitor the Round House junction during a morning school run period soon to observe the problem 1<sup>st</sup> hand – Councillor Fuller will liaise with everyone.**

Comment was also made that many cars, once having passed the S.I.D in Place Road, increased speed again on the straight section before approaching the Round House.

**It was agreed to voice these road crossing safety concerns and increased speed on Place Road to the IW Council, and to liaise with Solent Middle School about the safe crossing of the junction in their travel plan.**

There is apparently a national medal scheme being introduced for travel plans and Solent Middle, which has had a plan in place for 4 years now, is aiming for the sustainable travel medal (Gold?). He had no particular suggestions as to how the Working Party could further support the school at the moment.

### 8. HILTON ROAD

Information received indicates that Hilton Road apparently has both private and unadopted status and the road owners (whoever they are) are responsible for the road maintenance. As access to the road has not been closed for the past 20 years the road has automatically become "highway", and so the public cannot be excluded from the road. The IW Council has confirmed it does not own any section of the road. Legal advice further states that residents should examine their deeds to see what liabilities/ownership of the road they may have, but the advice is that legally the public cannot be restricted from accessing the road by foot or vehicle. At the June GPC meeting it was agreed to ask for clarification as to what access meant, i.e." could "through" access be restricted, but advice received states this would not be legal. There will be a speed monitoring exercise at the Portland Inn junction close to the top of Hilton Road on 4/9/09 for 14 days.

It was suggested that a black box speed monitoring device may be available to hire for monitoring Hilton Road itself.

**It was agreed to produce an update flyer for Hilton Road residents, to follow up on the recent survey. Rusty Adams will produce it and send to Vicky Spencer, who will copy and deliver them to residents with Pauline Lloyd.**

### 9. MEETING REGULARITY

Discussion took place as to how often the Working Party should meet and **it was agreed that the Working Party would meet once in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of each school term with effect from the New Year 2010.**

### 10. NEXT MEETING

A Round House junction item was requested for the next agenda.

**The next meeting will be on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2009 - 7pm at Gurnard Pines**

The meeting closed at 8.07pm.

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Clerk to the Council