

Joint Transport Working Party, Steeton-with-Eastburn Parish Council, Silsden Town Council & Craven Ward Councillors.

Notes of the meeting held Wednesday 19 December 2007 at 7.30 p.m in the Bowling Pavilion, Steeton.

Present: Councillors Naylor(Chairman), Hargreaves, Miss Moorhouse, Mullen, Phillips and Mrs Townend.

Mr. R. Lambert, Architect, GLR Architects, Mr. E. Appleton, Sanderson Associates

Mr B. Andrews, Highways Engineer, Bradford Council

Mr. M. Deveney, Ms S. Almar, Local residents

Mrs C. Brown.

Apologies: Councillor Mallinson.

1. The notes of the meeting held 24 October 2007 were agreed.

2. Parking Proposals by Airedale Tree Surgeons.

Mr. R. Lambert summarised the report that had been circulated prior to the meeting. (Appendix 1)

Mr E. Appleton summarised an updated report with his comments and the report was circulated at the meeting. (Appendix 2)

It was noted that as the A629 has been de-trunked then discussions regarding any impact on this route would be with Bradford Council and not the Hghways Agency.

Mr B. Andrews gave a report on behalf of Trevor Eakin, Highways Engineer, Bradford Council. (Appendix 3)

A discussion of the reports took place.

Concerns were expressed regarding the safety of pedestrians but it was accepted that any of the schemes would improve this even if all problems were not addressed. It was accepted that all the schemes still represent problems for passengers with disabilities although there are benefits in both options. It was thought important that any scheme should include a pelican crossing on Station Road. The provision of extra parking facilities for disabled passengers was welcomed but concerns were expressed about the enforcement of these. The lack of security measures and CCTV were highlighted.

It was agreed that the schemes would have to involve multiple agencies, authorities and bodies.

It was suggested that a more detailed survey be carried out and Mr Lambert agreed to consult with his clients as the costs of this detailed survey could be in excess of £10,000.

Note: Subsequent correspondence from Mr Lambert suggest that ATS would not be willing to fund a detailed survey due to the costs involved.
Councillor Mallinson is investigating alternative funding.

Councillor Naylor agreed to contact Mr Geoff Marsh to look at the issues from a planning perspective and Mr Tony Pool with reference to concerns regarding the additional parking being sited on land that floods and that is designated as washland on the adopted U.D.P.

3. Media Campaign:

As the revised Regional Spatial Strategy is due for publication in the first half of 2008 it was decided to defer any media campaign until the publication of this document as the requirement to build more houses within the Bradford area may impact on the Airedale Masterplan and sustainable transport links will become even more important. Investment in infrastructure could be identified at the consultation stage.

4. Date for the next meeting.

To be arranged

Members of the working party:

Steeton-with-Eastburn Parish Council: Councillors Hargreaves, Miss Moorhouse, Mullen, Mrs. Townend.

Silsden Town Council: Councillors Atkinson, Phillips and Savage.

Craven Ward Councillors: Councillors Mallinson and Naylor.

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