

RUSHTON PARISH COUNCIL ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP

**Tuesday 9th January 2018 – 19:30
Venue: Jessie Hughes Committee Room**

Notes of the Meeting

Present. Jade Plumbley (Chair Parish Council),Edie Shaw (Councillor) Simon Corradine(Councillor), Paul Healey (RSWG) and Brian Oldham (Chair RSWG).

Apologies. John Freeman, David Lilley, Sue Duckworth,Richard Page,Julie O'Shea

1. Report on the meeting with Ian Lovatt Highways solely for the purpose of establishing the viability of putting a Solar Powered Activated Sign on Lower Lane.

The purpose was twofold

- a. To protect All Pedestrians using Lower lane.**
- b. To Slow Down Traffic approaching the School, to make it Safer particularly at Opening and Closing times when traffic is heavy.**

Two suitable sites were identified and I have spoken to both landowners. One landowner has refused . The other landowner has been spoken to several times on the phone and we are urgently trying to arrange a meeting which is proving difficult because of work commitments.This will be resolved as soon as possible. Until we have had this discussion no further progress can be made.I will advise urgently on progress. A letter to the owner will be sent to confirm all points discussed.

2. Discussion on All Alternatives to a V A S sign.

The following options were discussed .

- a. Speed Cushions and Speed Humps.
- b. Road Narrowing.
- c. Raised Coloured Road Surface

These alternatives were discussed at length. Anything associated with Road

Narrowing had to be dismissed as Lower Lane is too Narrow anyway.

Speed cushion and Humps were ruled out as Highways are stopping using this method .

Raised Coloured Road surface was deemed too expensive and would not in the opinion of the committee help the traffic congestion problems at school opening and closing times nor would be inkeeping with a Rural village.

3. The committee decided that if possible a V.A.S. Sign would be the most viable

and affordable option. If this came about residents of the village would be advised prior to installation. This recommendation to be passed to the Parish Council .Phil Alcroft to be advised at the appropriate time for inclusion in the Newsletter.

4. Listed below, Outstanding R.S.W.G. Matters for further action and follow up in 2018 and obviously New Business.

a. Action required by Highways to repair damaged 30mph signs at the entrance to Eaton on Eaton lane. Still outstanding.

b. The Cross Junction. Several issues to be resolved by Ian Lovatt Highways

concerning New painted lines and others following the meeting and report of

Oct. 2nd which members should have copies of.

c. .Eaton Lane Speeding & Volume

Red lion site development. Discussions in time with the Developers re-measures included in their Planning Application.

d.Data from Vehicle Activated Sign

Continued Monitoring of Data (See Oct. 2nd Report)

e. Speed Reduction to 30mph to be extended further out of village.this was include in proposals to Highways dated 24th May 2017.

f. Traffic Management Red lion Development(Oct. 2nd Report)

g. 20mph proposals submitted 24th may 2017, currently being assessed by Dave Reeves Highways.

h.Brownhills Junction- Improve Road Markings. Order submitted by Highways.

I. Village Green Curb. Costs risen to over£5000 . Project placed on hold.

It is the intention to arrange dates throughout the year for R.S.W.G. Meetings with The Jessie Hughes Manager in order to make it easier for members to plan.