

POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL  
TRANSPORT, LIGHTING AND ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Room of the Town Council, The Old Courthouse, 37 George Street, Pocklington

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017.

Present Councillors Cooper (Chair), Green, Hutchinson, Perry, Sinton, Spademan and Winterton

Attending: One member of the public and Gordon Scaife (Town Clerk).

1. Notice of meeting. Cllr Green proposed the notice of the meeting 2nd Cllr Winterton and agreed.
2. To receive any apologies. Apologies were received from Cllr Ratcliffe (Holiday) and West (Prior Engagement).
3. Declarations of interest. To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.  
There were no declarations of interest declared.
4. Consider suspending the meeting to allow an opportunity for person(s) or groups to address the council for a period of 15 minutes. The meeting was suspended to allow Richard Bryon to speak.

Richard reported on the survey showing support for a town bus service. 49 survey forms have been handed in to the Town Council office showing support for the service.

The clerk reported that 4 companies had been asked to quote for providing a service. East Yorkshire Motor Services quote was the cheapest received and best value.

The clerk explained as a non-registered service then fares could not be collected so the service would be provided free to residents. There was a discussion on having a pilot run for 6 months and reviewing the usage and need.

5. Consider continuing the meeting. It was agreed to continue the meeting.
6. Bus signage options and update on actions.

The clerk had circulated the costings from East Riding of Yorkshire Council which shows that a new sign that will report in real time will cost £16,000 to install and £15,000 to maintain over 5 years. Pocklington Town Council were asked to contribute the maintenance cost.

Councillors discussed the merits of providing this information and decided that the costs outweighed the benefits of covering the maintenance costs. Councillors agreed that providing funding for services would be a better use of money to be spent on transport.

7. Consider the need for a town bus service.

There was further discussion about the provision of a town bus service. The Clerk is to contact the Doctor's surgery about the proposal and seek their support. There was a discussion on which days to operate the service. The service will operate on a hail and ride basis.

The bus company will be asked to collect the number of passengers it picks up and where they drop them off.

Cllr Cooper proposed that a proposal be made to Full Council that a town service be provided by the Council on two days a week on Tuesday and Friday subject to wider a survey being conducted. The cost of the service be met by the Town Council with funding allocated to provide the service for a year but reviewed after 6 months. The likely cost of the service will be around £6,000. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Spademan and agreed.

8. Consider the parking issues in the town.

Cllr Winterton has been involved with the car park surveys that have been undertaken as part of the Neighbourhood Development Plan collection of evidence. The evidence shows that on most days there are spaces within the town. The survey concluded that the parking issue often is due to people not being able to find a space within the restricted parking area of the town centre (Market Place, Market Street, Regent Street, Railway Street and Pavement) and the two East Riding of Yorkshire Council owned car parks of Station Road and West Green.

There was a discussion about perception of the issue and how far people were prepared to walk.

Cllr Perry reported that Pocklington School are investigating whether some land in the school could be made into a car park for staff. The school are aware of the perception that staff and pupils use the public car parks and this can lead to a lack of space.

Cllr Cooper proposed that a request is made to East Riding of Yorkshire Council to consider imposing waiting restrictions in Station Road Car Park for 2 hours and West Green for 4 hours. These changes will support the business particularly those in retail and services and enable more turnover 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Perry and agreed.

There was a discussion about the market day parking of traders vehicles and that quite a few deliveries to the town centre businesses occur on market day. The clerk will report these concerns to the market manager.

9. Consider and report the progress on the access plan and other disability issues in the town.

The clerk reported no progress had yet been made due to staff changes in the office. A request to the carers group is to be made to help with the access audit so progress can be made in the new year.

A request for the plan drawn up by Cllr Strangeway is to be submitted to East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

10. Consider projects for the Local Transport Plan.

The Clerk read out the list of projects from the old plan that could be re-submitted into this plan. The pedestrian refuges to help people across Railway Street at the mini-roundabout are still required. These are to be included.

The cross footpath from the old route of the The Balk which heads to Sainsbury's needs to be included as it encourages people to walk here which is between the zebra crossing and the roundabout.

Construction of cycle paths and shared access routes be proposed from the new estates towards town. These are Yapham Road to Garth's End and The Mile. There had been concerns expressed that the National Cycle Route and the Way of the Roses may be re-routed in the future due to the increase in traffic on Yapham Road and the increase in speed. There are concerns but at the moment there is no plan to re-route the cycle network.

Burnby Lane/New Street/Percy Road junction requires improvements. The camber on the footpath is wrong and visibility is not good. Burnby Lane is likely to get busier as there are new housing developments taking place. The new link road as part of the development south of the football club will increase traffic. A link footpath has now been included as part of the planning conditions along Burnby Lane to link with the David Wilson Homes development.

The cobbles outside R.M English Estate Agents could be removed. There are cycle racks in the cobbles and a better surface would encourage better use.

This list is to be sent to East Riding of Yorkshire Council for consideration. A request for a meeting with Mark Jessop and Rupert Douglas is to be requested.

11. Consider Cllr Cooper's report on cycle parking.

Cllr Cooper's report shows the need for additional parking in the jubilee square area as much of the cycle parking is on the edge of the town centre.

The clerk has met with Jenny Crabb from East Riding of Yorkshire Council and there sites have been identified for additional cycle racks these are

Market Place outside Boots for 2 that will run with the pavement similar to the one that is at the Cross Keys.

One outside the Osteopaths on Market Street and one outside the old Boots Store on Pavement.

12. Receive an update on the parking restrictions in Market Place/Market Street

The Clerk reported on an email received from East Riding of Yorkshire Council in relation to the close down of the market and the reopening of Market Place. ERYC are reviewing all the relevant Traffic Regulation Orders, with the aim of providing clarification of the restrictions in place. This will allow ERYC to provide support to the businesses and relevant enforcement of the market area in line with legislation and where it's needed for safety reasons.

Amended Traffic Regulation Orders have a lengthy consultation period and legal process which can take 6 months to process.

An interim solution will be that once the market has fully closed and the signs have been removed the area will revert back to the limited waiting restrictions as stated on the signs and enforcement will continue within these boundaries. The signs that are removed are the ones that say the road is closed.

13. Consider the clerk's report.

The clerk's report has been read below are updates.

**Pavement works**

East Riding of Yorkshire Council has undertaken further work on The Pavement parking area. This was to install better dropped kerbs.

**South Parade**

The single yellow lines have re-painted but the keep clear white lines haven't been done and I have chased.

**The Balk (Old Route)**

The double yellow lines in the turning head have been painted and further restrictions have been painted to allow a resident easier access out of their drive.

**Disabled Parking Bays, Market Place**

There is a continuing with enforcement as drivers who don't have a blue badge continue to park in the bays.

**Town Centre Drainage**

The drain outside The Deli/Acorn Gallery no work has been undertaken yet. The work undertaken was a temporary fix which is likely to block up again.

**Potholes**

The potholes on Burnby Lane haven't yet been filled and the one in the passing place by Willow Waters is now very large. The clerk will report these again.

**Gulley cleaning**

Our handyman has cleared various gullies and drains to ensure water doesn't stand on the roadways. A report to East Riding of Yorkshire Council about the poor practice of blowing

leaves on to the Highway by Pocklington Community Junior School's contractors has been submitted and the school informed. The leaves block the drainage grates leading to water standing on Bridge Street.

The drain that was blocked was reported to East Riding of Yorkshire Council who have confirmed that it had become blocked due to cement being tipped into it. The drain has been cleared out.

The soakaway on Barmby Road is still not working well.

14. Consider any further road safety suggestions for forwarding to East Riding of Yorkshire Council for consideration.

Cllr Hutchinson asked about reporting of faded road signs. Cllr Strangeway (East Riding Ward Councillor for Pocklington Provincial) has already requested that East Riding of Yorkshire Council replace the faded signs.

Cllr Perry asked about the flags that cause visibility issues at the garage at the junction of Barmby Road and George Street. There are other road safety issues here with vehicles blocking the footpaths either entering or at the air and water point. The clerk to write to the garage and ask if these problems can be investigated.

Meeting closed at 9.02 pm.