Charlbury Town Council

Minutes of the TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING Held on Thursday 13th October 2022 at 7.30pm in the Garden Room, Memorial Hall

Present: Gareth Epps (in the chair), Frances Mortimer, James Styring, **Town Clerk**: Lisa Wilkinson, Liz Reason as observer.

1. To receive **Apologies for Absence** None were received.

2. To receive **Declarations of Interest**

None were received

3. To consider results of 20mph speed limit survey

A survey on the proposed extension of a 20mph speed limit throughout the town was held by the Town Council between 23rd September and 12th October 2022. The survey was posted on the Charlbury Town Council website and Charlbury.info. Hard copies were placed at the Corner House and the community centre and posters advertising it were put on all the noticeboards around Charlbury. 169 responses were received. 77.5% were in favour of the extended 20mph speed limit, and 22.5% against it.

If the limit is implemented, residents will be assured that speed limits will reduce from 50mph to 30mph to 20mph coming into town. Many comments on the survey are concerned with enforcement. Traffic calming measures are also being investigated to support a 20mph limit. A site visit will be arranged to identify the exact locations of 20mph terminals in conjunction with the County Council.

It was proposed that the traffic committee recommends installation of the 20mph speed limit throughout the town, to the Town Council at its meeting on 19th October. **Resolved.**

4. To consider traffic calming proposals on The Slade

A walkabout was held with county council officers on 4th October to consider what measures could be put in place for traffic calming. Options discussed were:

- Two buildouts down both sides of the hill on The Slade.
- A zebra crossing just north of Crawborough (and the school).

The OCC Highways Road Safety and Technical Officer has been asked to quote for installation of these. There may be an option of adding them to the 20mph speed limit Traffic Restriction Order (TRO), for consultation. Geoff Barrell (20mph lead at OCC) will be asked if engaging on such traffic calming measures would delay the implementation of the 20mph speed limit.

It was thought that if OCC indicative costs for these were affordable, these measures could be put into the precept process.

Purchase and installation of SIDS at the town entrances was also considered as another traffic calming proposal. There would be removal work to do on existing SIDS which are set at a 30mph limit.

The traffic committee recommends that the TC engages with the town on a zebra crossing and buildouts on the Slade. This would then be added into the 20mph TRO if supported and agreed by OCC. **Resolved.**

5. To further consider budget requests for next financial year

The traffic committee recommends to the finance committee that a zebra crossing, two buildouts and SIDs on Woodstock Rd and Spelsbury Rd are added to the budget/precept process provided the costs are as verbally quoted.

LCWIP: £5000 for a TRO plus £15000 for physical measures such as signage will be requested.

Meeting closed: 9pm

