

Ledbury Town Council Traffic Management Working Party

Report from the 3rd meeting held Monday 7th January 2019

Present. Cllrs Phillip Howells (Chair), Andy Manns and Nick Morris + 2 members of the public representing Mabels Furlong

1. There was a pre-meeting session with representatives from Mabels Furlong to help design questions for a residents survey on parking in the 3 roads in the area (Mabels Furlong, Bray Avenue and Warren Drive) Question to be asked in a survey to be drawn up and conducted by the residents themselves to include:

1. Do you think there is a parking problem in and around the 3 roads; if Y give reasons? Give Y or N options and space for any comment if Y)
2. Do you want a residents parking scheme? (Need to outline what that means and the implications – get info on Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) details from Hereford Council Traffic department. Cllrs offered to help investigate and pass on if needed)
3. Do you have any ideas on how to manage parking and access for the 3 roads involved? (Give 3 options spaces)
4. Do you think an 'Access Only' or 'Residents Only' sign at Mabels Furlong entrance would be sufficient to address the parking problems?
5. Would you be in favour of some sort of protected parking/permitted parking scheme (there would be costs and permits required for this)?
6. What do you suggest we do with the grass verges such as along Mabels Furlong and at the turning into Bray Avenue from Mabels Furlong? (Give options for the main areas)
7. Do you have any thoughts on if and where double yellow lines (no parking any time) or single yellow lines (no parking at specified times) should be painted? (Give 3 options spaces)
8. Do you have any issues with 'drop kerb' parking; if so, explain? (Give Y or N options and space for any comment if Y)
9. How many vehicles are there in your household that regularly park in the area?
10. Do you anticipate increasing or decreasing the number of vehicles in the future? (Give 'Increase' and 'Decrease' options to tick)
11. Would you be prepared to pay for CCTV coverage to monitor access to the roads; if Y, how much? (Give Y or N options and space for price willing to pay if Y with monthly, yearly or once only payment options)

Notes:

1. When considering price questions, any TRO related action is likely to cost around £4,000. CCTV could be cheaper, battery operating cameras costing a few hundred maybe, but there would also be monitoring costs.
2. This is a survey to determine residents feelings only at this stage for the Ledbury Town Council Traffic Management Party to address with other traffic issues from around the town to then make recommendations to the Council for action by priority.

3. There is no guarantee we will get what we would like in the near future or foreseeable future if other priorities are judged greater and bearing in mind funding availability.

2. The residents then left and the rest of meeting then commenced

3. Notes from the meetings of 27th November and 20th December were taken as read

4a. New stakeholder/consultee potential contacts of Network Rail regarding traffic issues around the station, and Mark Hadley in relation to the Balfour Beatty Public Realm report were agreed to be added to the list

4b. There was discussion on looking in more detail at the Localism Act 2011 to see if Ledbury Town Council could use it to do more locally with regard to traffic management. Agreed to investigate further. Councillor Morris to talk to the Clerk in the first instance for advice and report back at the next meeting.

4c. i) Cllr Manns to continue working with the office to identify traffic management issues tackled with reports that we can use, and agreed we would only go back 2 years into the records. Aim to have all input by the end of Feb 2019.

ii) Cllr Howells to arrange meeting with the police

iii) Cllr Morris to look at stakeholder consultant template; Cllr Howells to resend examples to help draft

5. Promotion of the group and inviting submissions

- Council newsletter: Cllr Morris to add info into Newsletter planned for end of January; Cllr Howells to draft and send suggested text
- Ask Clerk to add text to the Council website (Cllr Howells)
- Cllr Howells to contact Ledbury Reporter to do a piece for us before end of Jan if possible
- Also seek to get info in Ledbury Focus plus Facebook 'Voice of Ledbury' and Ledbury Notice Board' and 'Town Talk – Ledbury Politics' pages (Cllr Howells)

6. No other allocated actions at this stage other than as noted.

7. Next steps as agreed.

8. Next meeting Monday 4th February 7.00pm.

Appendix: Initial thoughts on report title and headings

Appendix: Possible report structure

A traffic management strategy for Ledbury 2019

A report produced for Ledbury Town Council by the Traffic Management Working Party: March 2019

Members: Cllrs Phillip Howells (Chairman), Nick Morris and Andrew Manns

1. Executive summary – issues, conclusions and key recommendations
2. Speeding and speed limits, use of SIDs, traffic volumes and types of vehicles including HGVs
3. Traffic controls and road safety: traffic light phasing, sleeping policemen, limited access, no entry signs
4. Parkway
5. Resident parking including TROs
6. Visitors' parking, access to the town, yellow lines
7. Development access sites and traffic issues: Viaduct site/Bosbury Road, Gladman on the Dymock Road, Gladmans on the Little Marcle Road
8. Footpaths, cycle ways, disabled and vulnerable access, pavements
9. Travel schemes for non-drivers including buses
10. Railway station

Appendices:

- A1. Submissions received for consideration
- A2. Reports referred to and past reports
- A3. Stakeholders and other consultation feedback
- A4. Professional study report
- A5. Terms of reference