

**Minutes of: BURY WEST TOWNSHIP FORUM – HIGHWAYS
SUB GROUP**

Date of Meeting: 25 February 2014

Venue: Irwell Room, Bury Town Hall

Present:

Councillors: Councillor R. E. Walker (In the Chair); S. Southworth

Advisory Group Representatives:

Trevor Eastlands-- Brandlesholme Residents
Association

Officers:

Les Watts – Principal Engineer, Road Safety
Leigh Webb – Democratic Services
Christine Maksymowski – Township Co-ordinator

Apologies:

BWTF-HSG.30 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

BWTF-HSG.31 MINUTES

It was agreed:

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 17th October 2013 be approved as a correct record subject to the addition of "and then re-painted again" with reference to line painting on Bolton Road (HSG28).

MATTERS ARISING:

- **Speed limit review of A and B roads** – The aim is to complete within this financial year. Les Watts, Principal Engineer, reported that the consolidation order was ready to go and legal consultations were underway.

BWTF-HSG.32 STREET SAFE 20MPH SPEED LIMITS

The Principal Engineer provided the following update in respect of 20 mph speed limits on residential streets within Bury West:

Rudgwick Drive – Operative from October 2013
Elton Scheme – Operative from November 2013
Ashington Drive – Operative from 13 February 2014
Haig Road – Consultation process is complete. Responses will now be evaluated to inform future report

Mr Watts informed the Group of schemes that were currently going out to consultation in the Brandlesholme east area and at the south end of Woodhill Road. Draft plans were examined by members of the Group at the meeting.

Councillor Southworth highlighted residents concerns about Hunstanton Drive being used as a cut through and requested that the road be included within the consultation.

During discussion of the issues relating to Hunstanton Drive, the Principal Engineer explained that due to the nature of the road, any scheme would require the introduction of physical measures.

In response to a suggestion by the Chair, Councillor Walker, about the potential for a chicane on Haig Road, Les Watts highlighted the cost of installation and the loss of on street parking for some residents.

With regard to the proposed scheme to the south of Woodhill Drive, Councillor Southworth highlighted the current problems faced as a result of vehicles from the company "Boomerang" taking up on street parking places.

It was reported that future schemes were planned for the Seddons Farm Estate and the Ainsworth area.

It was agreed:

That the consultations plans referred to above be noted with the following statement in respect of Hunstanton Drive:

"That a potential scheme on Hunstanton Drive will be the subject of a further consultation"

BWTF-HSG.33

HIGHWAYS ISSUES WITHIN BURY WEST

The Principal Engineer provided an update in respect of Highways issues within the Bury West area.

With regard to the planned micro asphaltting works on Glenboro Avenue, it was reported the works had been delayed as a result of the weather. The wider programme had commenced this week and it is hoped that, depending on the weather, works on Glenboro Avenue will begin on 5 March 2014.

The Chair, Councillor Walker, highlighted the inconvenience to residents who had made efforts to clear the road only for the works to be postponed. Councillor Walker suggested that an explanation for the delay through the Bury Times would be a good public relations exercise and a means of keeping residents fully informed.

BWTF-HSG.34 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

It was agreed:

The next meeting of the Highways Sub Group would take place on 9th June 2014 commencing at 4pm

COUNCILLOR R. E. WALKER
Chair

(Note: The meeting started at 4.00pm and ended at 5pm)