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HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

8th December 2015

15H/095. Minutes



Minutes of Meeting of the Highways Committee

Held in the Village Hall, Lambs Lane, Cottenham

On Tuesday 13th October 2015 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs McCarthy (Chair), Morris, Nicholas, Ward, Sam McManners (Assistant Clerk)

In attendance: 1 member of public

15H/078. Any Questions from the Public or Press – Standing orders suspended at 7.30pm

Resident from Lambs Lane requested clarification of proposed parking restrictions. Resident advised that the Traffic Regulation Order had been submitted and that the existing single yellow was to be extended as requested.

15H/079. Standing Orders re-instated 7.32pm - Chairman's Introduction and Apologies – Apologies received from Cllrs Collier (ill) and Wotherspoon (work).

15H/080. Declarations of Interest *To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting* - none received.

15H/081. Minutes - To resolve that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 17th September 2015 be signed as a correct record **RESOLVED.**

15H/082. Speed limit request from Rampton Parish Council - To consider response to request from Rampton Parish Council re introduction of 50mph speed limit along Cottenham to Willingham Road. RESOLUTION to reply that CPC prefer to wait until Northstowe has developed further before CPC consider involvement in introducing speed limits along Rampton Road. **RESOLVED** - Assistant Clerk to action.

15H/083. Twinned lights on the green – update, Cllrs Morris & Nicholas – report circulated prior to meeting. Cllr Nicholas outlined the outcome of meeting with Balfour Beatty, works to be programmed in as early as possible.

15H/084. Tractors & Trailers - to consider residents request for time and weight restrictions to be introduced on Denmark Road – Cllr McCarthy outlined resident's complaint and possible alternatives. Resolution to write to companies/farmers involved asking for them to be more considerate during evenings/early mornings and to ensure tractor drivers are abiding by policies (if in place) for night time driving. **RESOLVED** - Cllr McCarthy/Assistant Clerk to action.

15H/085. Community Gritting Scheme – to consider response to CCC's request for volunteers to take part in this year's Community Gritting Scheme – Cllr McCarthy. Resolution to publicise scheme on CPC website, CPC Facebook page and Cottenham Newsletter. **RESOLVED.** Assistant Clerk to action.

15H/086. Budget requests for 2016/7 – to consider response to FLAC, needed by end October. Cllr Morris outlined how funding/reserves worked. Resolution to request FLAC to allocate £50,000 for pavement project to extend and merge with suggested mobility route (to be combined with Beach Road S106 monies) and for Twenty Pence Road consultation for speed bump improvements/replacements and speed limits. **RESOLVED.**

15H/087. Local Highways Improvement Initiative 2016 – consider to bid or not to bid? Cut-off date 2nd November 2015 – Cllr Morris outlined processes involved. Resolution to step aside this year and use CPC's limited HR resources more productively on CPC's own initiatives. **RESOLVED.**

15H/088. Activity list for 2015/6 - consider where we are, what we will complete, what we need to review – Cllr Morris reported all items were moving forward.

15H/089. Cambridge Future Transport - consider representation at meeting re improved bus services and reduced pollution (probably November) – Cllr Morris. Report circulated prior to meeting. Cllrs Morris and Nicholas to attend

15H/090. Date of next meeting – 8th December 2015

15H/091. Close of meeting 8.47pm

Signed _____ (Chair) Date _____

15H/096. Paxton Close signage

Consultation: Proposed signage change in Paxton Close



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Consultation: Proposed signage change in Paxton Close

The inclusion of direction arrows on both street signs at the entrance to Paxton Close may be confusing delivery drivers departing from Brenda Gautrey Way.

Currently both street signs include direction arrows indicating the way in to Paxton Close. This signage is probably effective for the street sign on the left side of the entrance as it is most visible to drivers entering. However some residents believe that delivery drivers leaving Brenda Gautrey Way are sometimes misled by the arrows on the street sign to the right of the entrance. This confusion allegedly leads to drivers unnecessarily entering Paxton Close and, on realising their error, having to turn round to depart.

Cottenham Parish Council is proposing to remove the arrow on the right hand sign, initially temporarily. Other suggestions welcome.



If you wish to comment for or against this proposal, please address your comments by post or email to our Assistant Clerk at the address above on or before 25th October 2015.

Responses

15 letters were delivered on 9th October 2015 to residents in Paxton Close Nos. 1-8 (there is no No.7) and Nos. to 1-7 and Nos. 14-20 Brenda Gautrey Way, with a reply required by 26th October 2015 (2 weeks). 4 Households replied (26.7%), all Paxton Close residents, all against; preferring a 'No Through Road' sign, as follows:

House No	For	Against	Comments
1		✓	<p>I am writing to ask that you please consider removing the arrows from both the Paxton Close signs and replace them with 'No Through Way' T signs. I believe the current signage is confusing to drivers and that alternative signs would be safer for those of us who live in Paxton Close and less frustrating for other drivers who get lost in our cul de sac.</p> <p>I live with my husband and two young children at 1 Paxton Close and we regularly see cars, vans and lorries use our cul de sac as a turning point or more often drive in at speed by mistake thinking that it is the way out to the main road. Because of the curve of the road coming down Brenda Gautrey Way, drivers naturally follow the road and the arrows on the signs into our cul de sac before realising they have gone wrong.</p> <p>There are 7 houses in Paxton Close with currently 11 children age 15 years and under who all regularly play out in the cul de sac. There is always an adult outside to keep an eye on the children and any traffic, but a number of us are concerned that our children may be hurt as a consequence of those drivers who come round the corner at speed thinking they are leaving the estate.</p> <p>I would therefore be grateful if you could take into account our concerns and please consider a change to our road signs.</p>
2		✓	<p>Thank you for your letter regarding the signage on Paxton Close. We would prefer a 'NO THOUGH ROAD' sign instead of the arrow that is currently on the sign,</p>
4		✓	<p>Good afternoon, I am responding to your proposal re our cul de sac, stupid idea, so now you are only considering removal of one arrow, we can't see the point the way the road natural curves round it will be as bad as before. We have attached some 'no though road' signs and it has been brilliant, you can see the cars stop at the end of the road and they know they can't get though, they have been up approx 4 weeks and we have had to date 2 cars in total by accident in that time instead of about 5 a day.</p> <p>A huge difference and with children playing outside we want them safe, and the vans that came round have deadlines to meet and believe me they don't go slow.</p> <p>Please either leave our signs up or do us some proper ones as it obviously works and why mess about trying something that will be a waste of time and then have to go back to the committee again</p>
NOT GIVEN		✓	<p>I am a resident in Paxton Close and father of two young children who regularly play in Paxton Close (cul-de-sac) with their friends - there are a total of 11 children who live in Paxton Close. I have lived here for 10 years and now my children are old enough to play outside in the close we have noticed a number of vehicles (usually delivery vehicles and visitors to residents) who drive in to Paxton Close in error when leaving Brenda Gautrey Way. Some of these drivers entering Paxton Close in error are driving at speed and I believe that it is only a matter of time before one of</p>

		<p>these vehicles causes injuries or a fatality to the children playing in Paxton Close. This issue is quite a common occurrence due to various factors I believe;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. the road geometry / design is poor and naturally leads drivers leaving BGW in to Paxton Close.2. the bitumen line in the centre of the road on BGW follows a curve in to Paxton Close forming a natural sight line.3. the current 'Paxton Close' name signs both have a bold black arrow pointing in to Paxton Close. These arrows are solid black and the drivers eye is naturally drawn to this and as such the driver enters Paxton Close rather than exiting along BGW. <p>I note that it is the Parish Councils intention to paint these black arrows white so as to effectively remove them from sight. I believe this will not remedy the current issue and would like to suggest that the current 'Paxton Close' signs be removed and replaced with new signs displaying 'Paxton Close' together with the recognised 'cul-de-sac / no through road' sign. Indeed, our neighbourhood watch contact (resident in Paxton Close) has attached laminated 'cul-de-sac / no through road' signs in the correct dimensions / colours to the existing Paxton Close signs and the effect has been tangible. Given that we are at home at different times of the day, we have all noted vehicles (especially delivery vehicles) starting to enter Paxton Close (when leaving BGW) and then stop and reverse back out, to then drive off correctly down BGW - this is due to the 'cul-de-sac / no through road signs' that have been temporarily attached.</p> <p>I would therefore suggest that the existing Paxton Close signs please be replaced to include the 'cul-de-sac / no through road' sign. The wooden support structure for the sign plates are present, so it would only require 2 x new metal sign plates which could be attached on to the existing wooden sign support. This would seem a cheap, economical and simple way of resolving the current issue - we are facing the possible injury or death of a child currently.</p> <p>I hope that the Parish Council and Committee will consider the above suggestion to be a sensible way forward.</p>
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15H/097. Shaun's Newsagents parking

Consultation: Proposal to restrict waiting outside Shauns News



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The two parking spaces outside Shauns News (145 High Street) are frequently occupied for long periods. This can obstruct commercial deliveries and restrict ad-hoc parking by customers.

Although off-road spaces are at a premium in the vicinity, there are free spaces further up the High Street on the same side and in the Pound adjacent to 146 on the opposite side.

Cottenham Parish Council is proposing to restrict waiting in the two bays to a maximum of 30 minutes with no return within one hour on Monday to Saturday from 6am to 6pm.



If you wish to comment for or against this proposal, please address your comments by post or email to our Assistant Clerk at the address above on or before 25th October 2015.

Responses

26 letters were delivered 9th October 2015 to residents in the High Street from the Baptist Church to No. 128 and No. 123 to No. 155, with a reply required by 26th October 2015 (2 weeks). 6 households replied (23.1%): 3 in favour, 3 against, comments as follows:

House No	For	Against	Comments
131/133		✓	<p>We would like to express our concerns about the restricted waiting outside Shaun's news. If Shaun's News is granted these 2 restricted areas what is to stop other businesses requesting the same arrangement – We own Sarah Jane hairdressers just up from Shaun's yet we don't have any restricted spaces for our elderly clients.</p> <p>You say in your proposal to use the Pound or the 'free spaces further up the High Street on the same side'. The pound seems to be constantly full of cars – presumably residents whom do not have any off road parking but this could be a 30 minute no waiting zone during working hours. Further up the High Street is our shop so where do our customers and staff park if everyone else's cars are being pushed down the street. Where is the resident in number 143 suppose to park as they have no off road parking, neither has the 3 story house so all these cars have to park somewhere.</p> <p>Jiggs regularly parks his car up near our shop not giving any concern to our customers where as the one time we parked near his shop we got asked to move our car as it was blocking spaces for his customers – one rule for one ...</p> <p>We feel that this is an unnecessary move and sets a precedence for all other businesses in the village and who is going to police the waiting times is anybody's guess.</p> <p>We look forward to hearing from you and please do not hesitate to contact us if you want to discuss any of our email.</p>
155		✓	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal. My wife and I would like to object to the change of use of the parking spaces for many reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There are many families living close by, in properties that don't have off-road parking. Access to this parking should not be taken away from them. 2. Other businesses in the village do not have dedicated parking spaces or loading bays, why does Shaun's News need this? We don't believe Shaun's deserves preferential treatment. 3. If Shaun's is granted dedicated parking, other businesses are likely to also request this, further restricting the freedom of parking of residents and their guests. 4. How will the restricted parking be policed? Tax payers should not have to fund a parking inspector. 5. We understand the proprietor of Shaun's is already territorial about the spaces, requesting staff and customers of other local businesses vacate them in preference to his customers / deliveries. We are concerned this could lead to disturbances should the spaces become restricted. 6. We have experienced living in other areas where small parking restrictions have been introduced, which has pushed vehicles a little further away, necessitating further parking restrictions, until eventually the entire area is

155 CONT'D			<p>restricted in one form or another, with no improvement in the overall situation but with less freedom and more cost for the local residents. We would not want to see such horrible policies introduced in Cottenham.</p> <p>7.We live a few houses away from the parking spaces and have not noticed any traffic issues caused by the current non-dedicated parking facilities.</p> <p>8.Since this consultation commenced the proprietor of Shaun's has parked in front of the bus stop outside our house. We can only assume he has changed his parking habits in order to influence the consultation.</p> <p>9.The proprietor is blocking access to the bus stop for buses.</p> <p>10.The advice given in the consultation leaflet ('...there are free spaces further up the high street on the same side...') appears to be encouraging other vehicles to park in front of the bus stop.</p> <p>11.Users of the Baptist church regularly park their cars outside the church, directly opposite where the proprietor of Shaun's is currently parking and where you are encouraging others to park. When you have cars parked on both sides of the road there is only room for one lane of traffic to pass at any time, thus causing traffic congestion along the high street.</p> <p>12.This traffic congestion causes noise...</p> <p>13....and pollution....</p> <p>14....and is dangerous for pedestrians, including children and the elderly.</p> <p>15.With traffic parked on both sides of the road it is difficult for farm vehicles, common in the village, and other large vehicles to drive past.</p> <p>16.With cars parked in front of the bus stop it is very difficult for us to exit our driveway as we cannot see what traffic is approaching from the north.</p> <p>17.If cars are also parked in front of the baptist church and traffic is therefore congested on the high street this becomes even more difficult to get in or out of our driveway.</p> <p>18.The alternative parking suggested - in the Pound - is often already full and is therefore not a sufficient alternative.</p> <p>It seems clear that the negative effects of such a change far outweigh the positive. The reason you've given for the change is that the spaces are '...frequently occupied for long periods.' Is this really a problem? Please can you let me know how many complaints the parish council have received about this? How many local residents or businesses have approached the parish council, stating that this is an issue in order for you to make this proposal?</p>
NOT GIVEN	✓		Thank you for your circular letter. I concur with CPC's proposal.
NOT GIVEN		✓	<p>We have received your letter in regards to the proposal for the restriction of two of the parking bays outside Shauns News.</p> <p>Upon review of your letter we would suggest that the proposals will not alleviate the issues that you are intending to address (Ad-hoc customer parking and deliveries). A summary of the reasons that the proposed solution will not have the desired effect are as follows:</p> <p>1) People park on side of the road that they are travelling, when cars and delivery vehicles are travelling away from the Cottenham village centre they park on the kerb outside 140 and 142 high street. This is the element of parking that is most problematic as it causes a bottleneck in the road which causes the congestion. Consideration should be made on how this element of parking is controlled.</p> <p>2) The bays are not suitably wide enough for delivery vehicles. (If vans/lorries park In these bays they obstruct the road) Restricting the time on the bays will</p>

		<p>not address this.</p> <p>3) As you mention the parking is already at a premium within these bays for residents, restricting the times on these bays is going to compound this issue. Upon monitoring the capacity of the Pound adjacent to the shop this seems to be filled to capacity most days and throughout the day. The layout of the pound does not utilise the space efficiently and additional space could be provided here if the landscaping was reduced. This approach may assist with reducing the parking demand in the parking bays.</p> <p>4) Enforcing your proposals, at present this area is unenforced as there are no restrictions. The parking bays you propose to restrict are going to be difficult to enforce and create a further on-going enforcement cost if introduced.</p> <p>5) Speed of Vehicles: As a driver that has to park in the bays (Further down the road), I note that the speed of vehicles down this part of the road is far in excess of the speed limit, this puts drivers that are trying to park in the bays under particular pressure and therefore they will park in the easiest bay. (Which may not be a restricted bay). I would therefore suggest that you consider some type of traffic calming measures as part of your proposals.</p> <p>Demand for parking: I have not been aware of a large parking demand in these bays during the proposed hours of restriction. My observations are as follows 7-9am high demand, 4-5pm high demand. Have you had a traffic survey carried out for the parking in this area to support your proposal? At this stage I would be opposed to the current proposals.</p> <p>I'm keen to have open discussions with the council on this matter as I believe that it is vitally important that local businesses like Shauns News get the support they require, however as previously mentioned the current proposals will not solve the issue in this case.</p>
NOT GIVEN	✓	<p>Thank you for delivering the flyer regarding the proposed restriction to waiting outside Shaun's News. We support this initiative by the Parish Council.</p>
NOT GIVEN	✓	<p>We are in receipt of your recent letter regarding the proposed parking restrictions outside Shauns News in Cottenham High Street. We are in agreement with the proposal, as parking is difficult outside the shop. Not only does this make it difficult to visit the shop, but it also regularly causes congestion as cars park on the pavements in the vicinity.</p> <p>We have a bakery shop further down the High Street (number 234, next to the Cambridge Building Society) and we have the same problem. Customers are unable to park outside our shop due to cars and vans being parked there permanently, and parking is further restricted due to the traffic calming. The situation can sometimes become dangerous, as cars/vans try to park in the vicinity but this is just around the corner of a blind bend. These parking problems cost our business hundreds of pounds each month, as well as causing disruption to the traffic.</p> <p>Please could also consider adding similar parking restrictions to these parking bays. We look forward to hearing from you.</p>

15H/098. Twentypence Road layby

Consultation: Proposed parking restrictions Twentypence Road layby

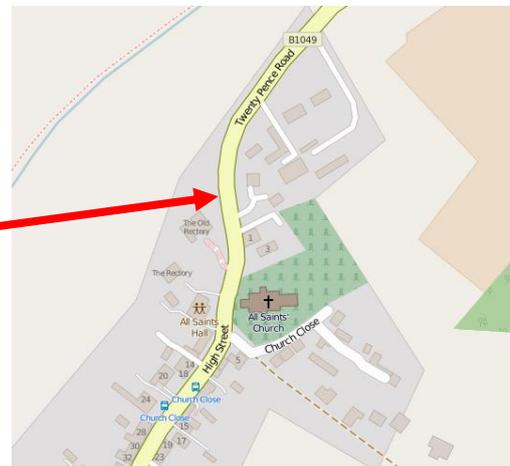


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Consultation: Proposed Parking Restrictions Lay-by on Twenty Pence Road, near the Old Rectory

Some local residents have complained that Heavy Goods Vehicles parked overnight in the lay-by near the Old Rectory on Twently Pence Road are causing a nuisance by leaving their engines running and other activities. Cottenham Parish Council is proposing to introduce a “no waiting” restriction in the lay-by to apply between 10pm and 6am every night.

The restriction will be indicated by use of appropriate single yellow line marking and “no waiting” signage to enable Police enforcement.



If you wish to comment for or against this proposal, please address your comments by post or email to our Assistant Clerk at the address above on or before 7th December 2015.

Responses

16 letters were delivered on 22nd November 2015 to The Rectory, The Old Rectory, 1, 3, 7 & 10 High Street, Two Oaks, The Windrush, The Wooden House, Church View, Oak Done, 12-15 Church Lane, Wheatsheaf House, and The Church Hall with a cut-off date of 7th December 2015 (2 weeks). 6 households replied (37.5%): all in favour, comments as follows:

House No	For	Against	Comments
Wooden House	✓		We have been given a letter re the proposed parking restrictions at the lay-by on Twenty Pence Road. It is certainly not an ideal place for lorries to stay over and their engines are noisy and disruptive. There are no toilet facilities - they should not be there. Therefore we agree that a no waiting sign between 10pm and 6 am seems very sensible.
Old Rectory	✓		<p>Thank you for your note regarding above consultation which is most welcome. I do support the work you do and have high regard for those who sacrifice their time for what is often scant recognition and gratitude.</p> <p>I live in The Old Rectory having moved from within the village in July of 2014 and have had ongoing difficulties with nuisance vehicles since moving in.</p> <p>It has become a “break” zone for light goods and HGV drivers as they stop and take their breaks as dictated by tachographs. They almost always keep their engines running which puts harmful emissions into the atmosphere and into my garden. The nose needs no further explanation...</p> <p>Further, often the vehicles overnight park here and I have now on four occasions, found bags of faeces in my garden as they are thrown over the wall. I have to date put them into the appropriately coloured bin, but without firmer support, will start to throw them back into the High Street.</p> <p>I would push further and suggest that the lay by is closed, it serves no wider benefit other than overflow for the Church on Sunday.</p> <p>Whilst I welcome your support and action to the use of appropriate signage, I would push back firmly and say that this will not be enough unless enforced. Enforcement by Police is unthinkable due to both their lack of presence and prioritisation.</p> <p>This is why I would suggest closure.</p> <p>At the very least, the “No waiting between 10pm and 6am” sign should also say “Engines Must be Turned Off”.</p> <p>If you were feeling fruity, you may also extend this to “Please Kindly Take your S**t Home” or “Cottenham Welcomes Considerate S**itters”.</p> <p>As they leave the village, we could also thank them for.....</p> <p>I look forward to your decisive action.</p>
1 High Street	✓		<p>Thank you for your letter re the above restriction just along from our house.</p> <p>We are at 1 High Street Cottenham and our bedroom overlooks this lay by. Therefore I am in full support of this restriction as we can hear the lorries at</p>

		<p>night, especially when engines are left running.</p> <p>Unfortunately I won't be able to join you on the 8 Dec as I'm in London. However, a growing problem at this end of the village is with the increased use of the Village Hall (which is excellent), there is a problem with parking. People park on the bend between the Village Hall and the lay by referred to below. This is dangerous as it effectively makes the bend single carriageway and traffic approaches this bend very quickly from the Haddenham end of the road. I have actually seen an accident where a car came round the bend so quickly it crashed into a car parked by the Village Hall. The bend also becomes a bottle neck with the volume of cars and lorries coming through.</p>
Windrush	✓	<p>We fully support the proposed parking restrictions at the lay by, twenty pence road, cottenham .</p> <p>As we originally requested this we enclose a copy of initial correspondence to Parish Council. (see below)</p> <p>We would like to reiterate just to impose the restrictions and NOT to remove the layby as is being discussed around the village.</p> <p>The field/ facility for church visitors parking is not available when wet and indeed as we understand can be withdrawn at any time.</p> <p>Previous Correspondence atatched:</p> <p>Dear Councillors</p> <p>Please could you forward this e-mail to the correct department that deals with imposing restrictions on layby/ highway and also advise and support me by introducing restrictions at the following lay by?</p> <p>Cottenham, Twenty Pence Road, (just below the church)</p> <p>There are now more and more HGV vehicles parking in this lay by overnight, tonight (25/3/2015) incident number:- 520 of 25/3/14 being the latest,with an ACU so we are in for a good night. The droning of the ACU can be heard over the TV and one has to sleep with the bedroom window open because of "hot flushes"! Which one should be able to have their windows open if required.</p> <p>When these vehicles are parked here, they more often and not have their ACU 's running throughout the night , they are a nuisance.</p> <p>Because of the height of the cabs which are above our fence the drivers can watch the tv in our lounge from their cabs! This is a gross intrusion of our privacy.</p> <p>When the nights are light we have to close our blinds/curtains resulting in loss of amenity not to mention that this is actually a real security threat to us.</p> <p>As this lay by is opposite our property we take care in keeping it half decent, litter picking on a regular basis and cutting the verge from time to time.</p> <p>There are no toilet facilities in this lay by and in the summer it smells like a</p>

			<p>urinal!</p> <p>Litter is literally dropped , the drivers open their door and just drop it</p> <p>The layby used to be a grass verge until the traffic calming came, which resulted in the church losing valuable car parking near the church, the lay by is frequently used by visitors to the church etc, who greatly appreciate this facility.</p> <p>Whilst we have no objection to it being a lay by as it provides valuable parking something which there is little of in cottenham we now finding ourselves increasingly frustrated with HGV 's parking overnight</p> <p>We have on numerous occasions approached drivers and politely request that they travel 1/4 mile up the road where there is a perfectly adequate industrial site (brook fields), sometimes our requests are met politely , other times drivers can be very verbal!</p> <p>These huge vehicles are churning up the verge , whilst realising this is not permanent damage , the ruts are awful and detrimental to what is considered the most appealing entrance to Cottenham.</p> <p>We have on numerous occasions contacted the police, "force control "say they'll send someone out but when the incident is past across to the "traffic division"they do not attend as there are no restrictions in place!</p> <p>Therefore could you please advise how and when and if restrictions can be implemented?</p> <p>Are you able to facilitate this?</p> <p>We await your comments and any updates at your earliest convenience ?</p>
NOT GIVEN	✓		<p>I am writing in support of the proposal for the Cottenham Parish Council to introduce a "no waiting" restriction in the lay-by to apply between 10pm and 6am every night.</p> <p>We live within the area and can be affected at times by the noise of HGV activities parked in the lay-by. Also, if this restriction goes on to discourage night time HGV activity in the village as a whole then we support it fully.</p>
Two Oaks		✓	<p>Regard your request for comment , we reside opposite the lay by and consider the day time actives worse than night, people stopping leaving rubbish and using the layby as a toilet,</p> <p>The litter bin has been removed from the lay by, however rubbish is still dropped, and blows up the street and collects on the bend outside the all saints church.</p> <p>We recommend that the lay by is removed completely or properly supported by lighting, a bin and signage (restricting use and no urinating).</p>

15H/099. **Wheatsheaf House parking**

Website Enquiry 23rd October 2015:

hi there,

I am writing to you on an enquiry about my work. I work at wheatsheaf house in cottenham and I don't know if you are going to be able to help me in my question. I was wondering about the bit of 'land' or space down the side of our house next to the church the thing is people who are residents are blocking our driveway and also people who aren't residents of this area are parking their cars there during the day and leaving them there and cycling into I can only imagine work. Now this isn't usually a problem but recently staff are not being able to park anywhere, the buses and taxis that we use for our service users aren't able to get in and out of our gateway properly because our Service users are having to walk to the end of our driveway to get to their buses and taxis even though they are able I know this sounds pathetic but I find it is very unfair on them. I have also had for about the last 3 weeks the men that work for BT trying to get to their box next to the house which they are not able to do because people who don't live or work down here are parking in the way so its not just casing an inconvenience for us its inconvenient for them too. people are parking their cars down the side of house around 7am and not collecting them until around 7-8pm. I was wondering if we have any ground to put anything into place?? It would be fantastic if you would please get back to me and thank you very much for reading my complaint.

Reply:

Thank you for bringing this to my attention. With regard to people parking alongside the property unfortunately there is little that can be done because it is not a restricted parking location and if we imposed a waiting time restriction of say two hours it would not really help.

The entrance is another matter and I will put this on the December Highways agenda where we will discuss options to prevent this happening. It does seem incredible that your neighbours are so thoughtless they Park across a neighbour's drive. The date of the next Highways meeting is on the parish council website. Please come along if you can.

Best wishes

Martin McCarthy

Chair

Cottenham Parish Council

Highways Committee

15H/100.TTRO for Remembrance Sunday

Ref Ordinary Meeting 1st December 2015:

Reports Pack:

15/304. TTRO for Remembrance Sunday

The annual Remembrance service at the War Memorial is a major event in Cottenham's community with several hundred residents in attendance requiring closure of adjacent roads for a period to ensure pedestrian safety.

The Royal British Legion has in recent years undertaken responsibility for organising the road closure under a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order. This involves application for the TTRO, acquisition and deployment on the day of relevant signage, and supervision by a trained/licensed supervisor.

Age has wearied them, especially the current supervisor who would require revalidation of his licence, and the event has become more popular in recent times and it may be appropriate for the Parish Council to take over the management of the road closure as it did in the not-too-distant past.

A possible resolution is: "consider taking over management of the annual road closure in support of the Remembrance Service, including application – in early January - for the TTRO, acquisition of signage, training of a supervisor and management on the day with arrangements to be taken forward under our Highways Committee."

DRAFT Minutes:

Resolution to take over management of the annual road closure in support of the Remembrance Service, including application – in early January - for the TTRO, acquisition of signage, training of a supervisor and management on the day with arrangements to be taken forward under our Highways Committee. **RESOLVED.**

15H/101. Community transport provision in South Cambridgeshire

From: Passenger Transport [mailto:Passenger.Transport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk]

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To: Passenger Transport <Passenger.Transport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk>

Subject: Community transport provision in South Cambridgeshire

Hello

I am e-mailing you to send you a document which lists all the Community Transport schemes in South Cambridgeshire – including by parish - which we have recently updated. We periodically update this document, which is posted on www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/communitytransport, and this document can also be downloaded from this webpage as a PDF document. These schemes are aimed at those who have difficulty using or accessing public transport, for a variety of reasons including mobility issues, for medical or social journey purposes. Each scheme operates uniquely, as per the main requirements for transport of the settlement(s) they serve - with the number of volunteer drivers available - therefore please refer to each scheme for your area respectively for more information on what they can offer. Please feel free to forward this list onto other individuals or organisations who you feel may benefit from accessing these services.

May I also take this opportunity to encourage you (i.e. as parish councillors) to discuss with these schemes the need for more volunteers to come forward to (a) enable them to continue to meet current demand for transport requests, and (b) to meet future need. The latter is particularly important as the population and demographic of Cambridgeshire is projected to expand and individuals live longer. It may be helpful to also invite Care Network Cambridgeshire to discuss how their service could help recruit volunteers and link in with other projects in your area – please see www.care-network.org.uk or call 01954 211919 for more information on this aspect.

If you have any queries, or would like details of the schemes in neighbouring districts, please contact Gavin Moulton, Community Transport Officer at Cambridgeshire County Council, on 01223 715606 or e-mail community.transport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Thank you for your time

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15H/102. Pavement Improvement Project

Email 16th November 2015:

Hi Frank,

I wanted to send over an update, since it's been a while since we initially met about the improvements in Cottenham. Things have been fairly hectic here, but some progress has been made!

I've attached some plans and have worked up some costs as below (these are rough, if the works are all completed together there may be some cost savings):

- Location A – reconstruction of the shown length of footway, improvement to pedestrian crossing points – indicative cost £9,500;
- Location B – resurfacing of the carriageway at the triangle, reconstruction of the footway opposite the bus stop and installation of an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing point – indicative cost £11,500;
- Location E – realignment of the kerbs and narrowing of the junction radius at Franklin Gardens, improvement to pedestrian crossing point and relocation of gully, plus resurfacing of the footway behind – indicative cost £7,500;
- Location G – as location E, at Lyles Road/Eastlands Close – indicative cost £9,500.

I've also had site of the 106 agreement, which specifies a £65k contribution for the pedestrian route improvement (the other £5k is for the speed limit) – it specifies upgrading to a zebra crossing on High Street, along with improvements of crossing of Beach Road close to Brenda Gautrey Way – I'll have to determine how far this could contribute to these other elements, but will do that as part of the further investigation I need to do to the other elements not covered above, but would suggest that work detailed in Location A and most of Location B is classed as maintenance, so would need to be covered from the Parish Council contribution.

I'm meeting to discuss inclusion of schemes in next year's Transport Delivery Plan, and will raise Cottenham's scheme so that this can be added for delivery next financial year. I'd expect the allocated budget to be £65k (the PC contribution would be separate), but would need to confirm whether staff costs will be top-sliced from this figure.

Please let me know if you have any questions on the above, otherwise I'll keep progressing and will be in touch shortly (though please note that I will be out of the office for three weeks after this week).

Regards,

Ross.

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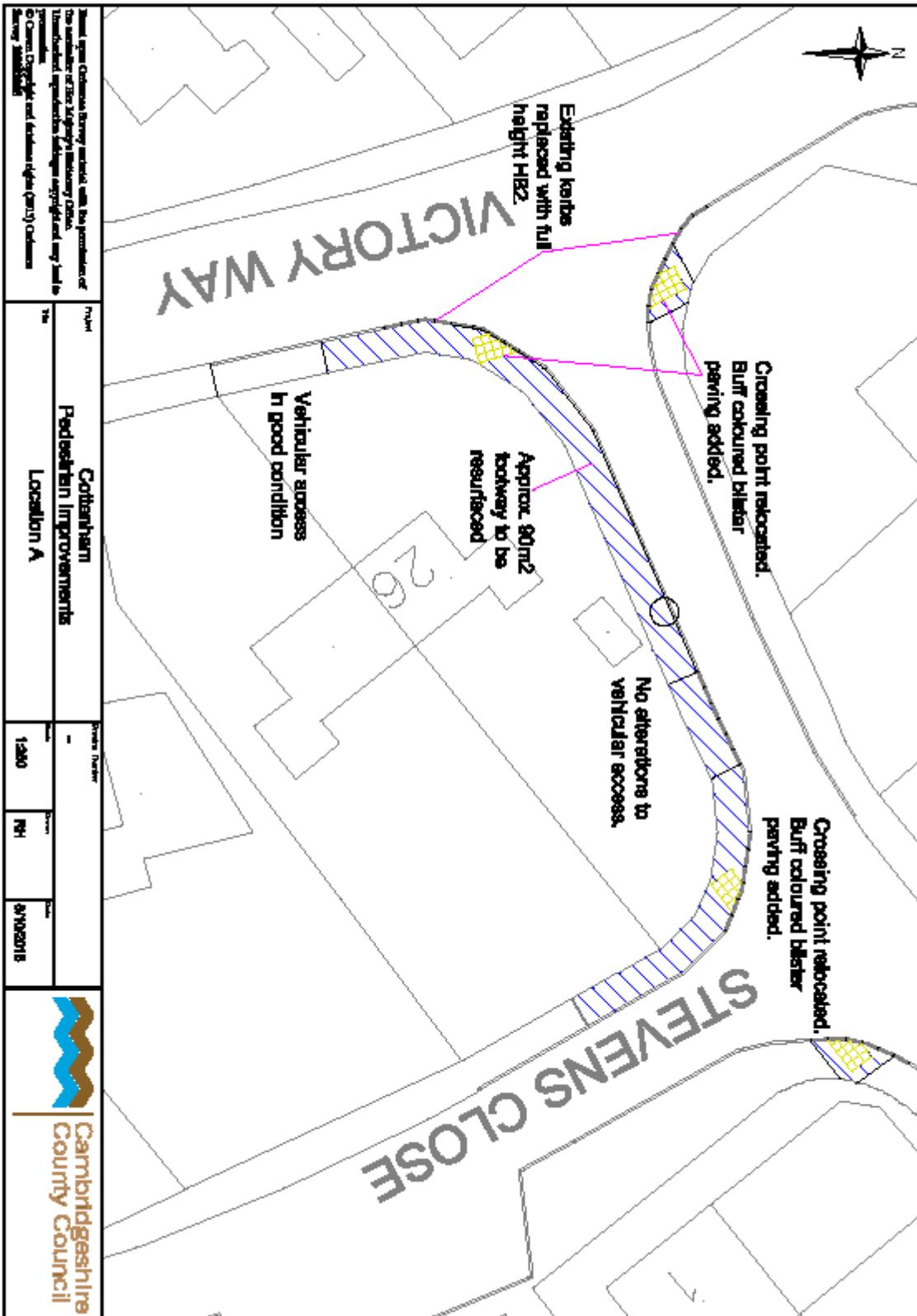
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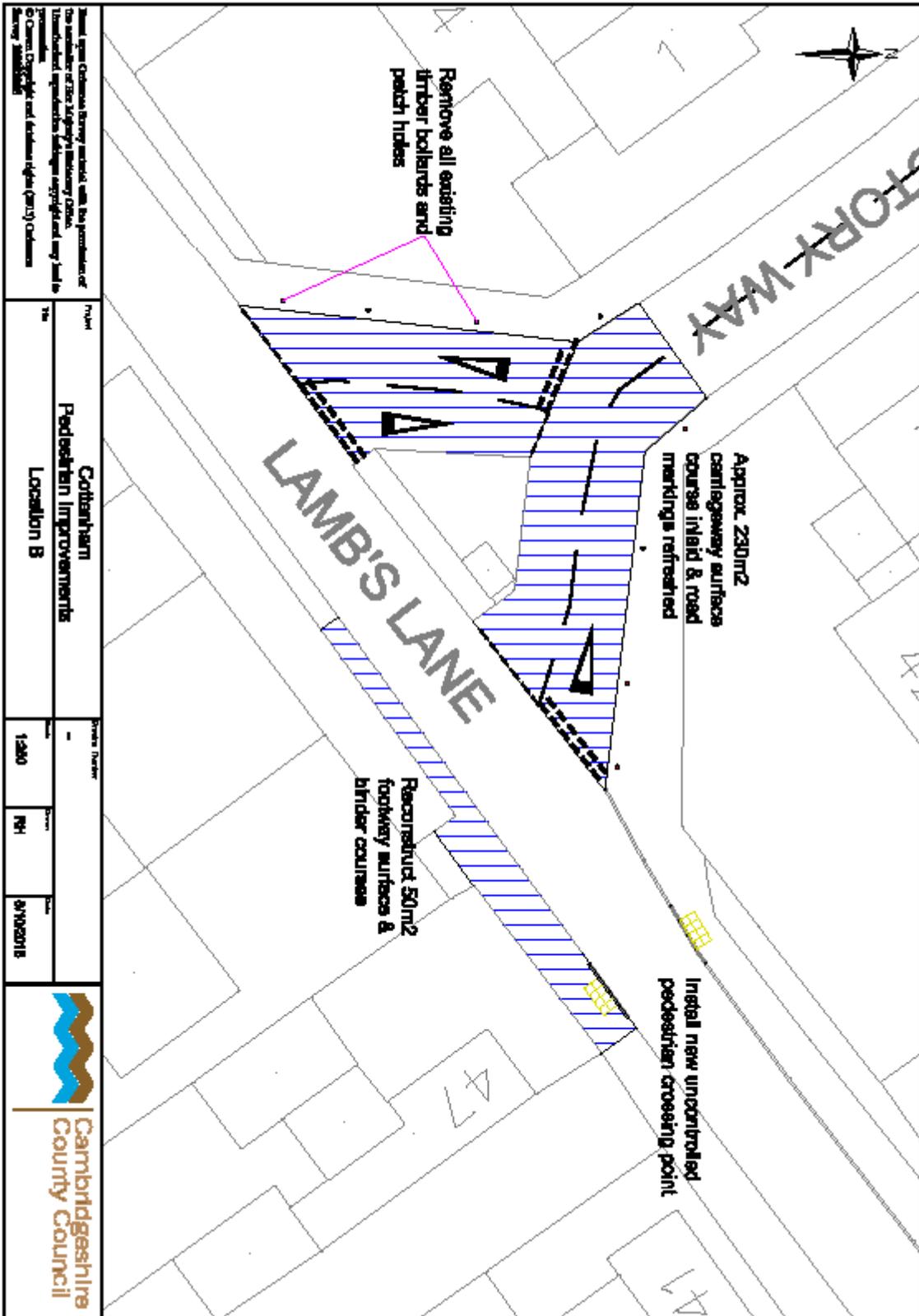
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LOCATION A



LOCATION B

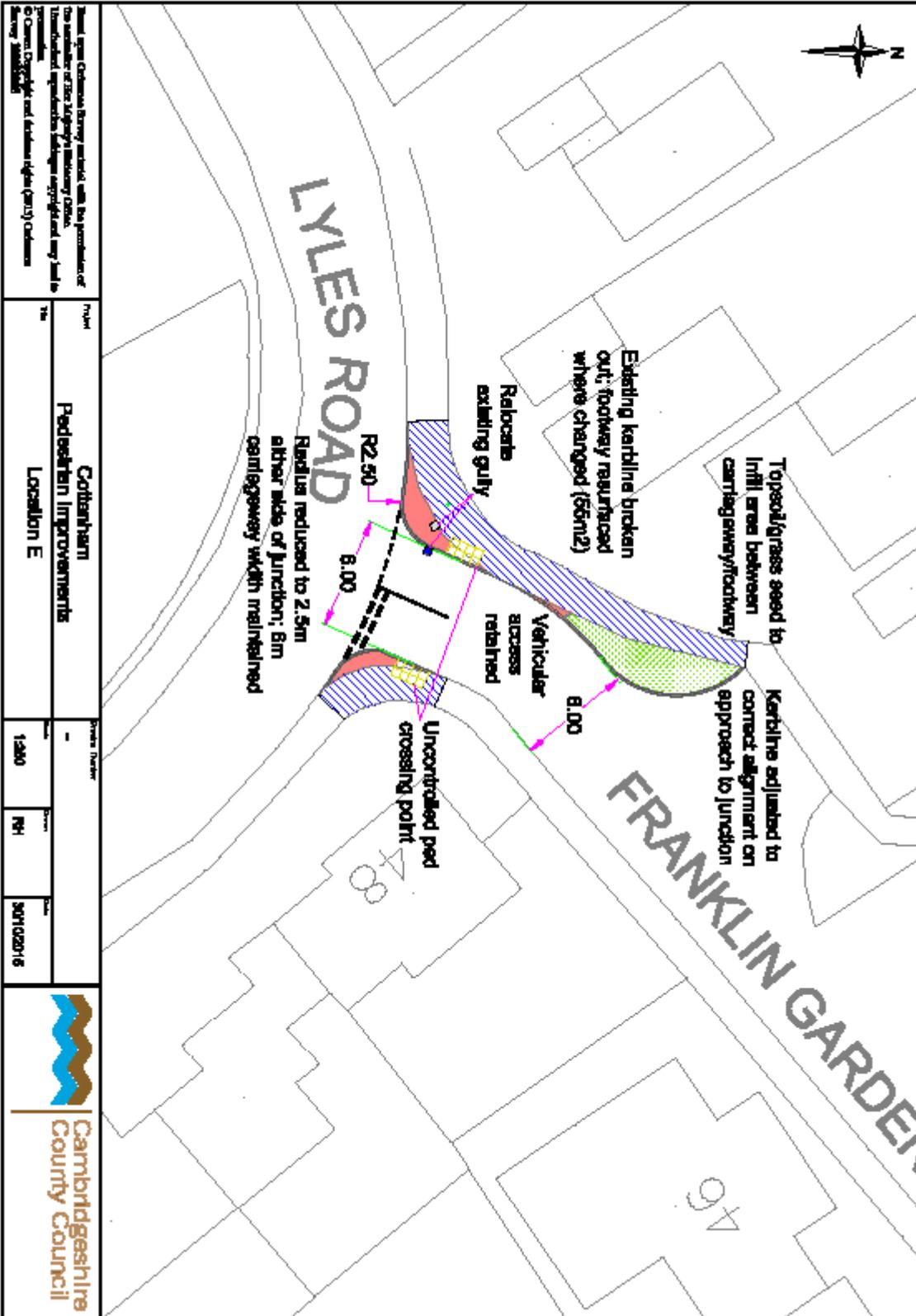


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Project	Cottingham Pedestrian Improvements		
Location	Location B		
Scale	1:500	North	0/10/2018

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LOCATION E



LOCATION G

