
NOTES OF THE TRANSPORT WORKING GROUP

TUESDAY 14TH JUNE 2022 7PM (ONLINE)

1. **Welcome to the meeting**

In attendance – Cllr Debbie Harwood, Cllr Carter, Clerk, Apprentice, J Harris

2. **Update on developing a local sustainable transport plan for Brockworth and increasing provision for walking, cycling and public transport in our area.**

J Harris shared his screen with the group on the most up to date version of the transport plan. J Harris will give a list of actions that he needs the councillor's assistance with. J Harris needs the councillors to come up with a vision statement around transport in Brockworth. It was suggested that the group and the planning and highways committee come together and come up with a vision statement.

Some parts of the digitalised transport plan will be interactive such as the profiles section (bus connections, housing growth areas, active travel, and employment parks). It is top priority to look at the action plan in the transport plan. A time frame needs to be created. The councillors need to decide if they are planning on 'quick wins', if this is the case, they need to be looking at a one-year plan. The quick wins include engaging better with the business park on surveys, getting all the schools involved in creating their own sustainable transport campaigns, replacing the bus stops, community guide & access map for Brockworth. A 3-year plan may include: opening some cycle routes through Perrybrook and better signage, upgrades to public rights of way that feed out of Perrybrook into Witcombe. One suggestion for a plan that take place over a 1–3-year course would be getting a commercial bus service from Brockworth business park via new surgery, to Perrybrook, then Churchdown, to cyber central and then Cheltenham railway station. We would need the evidence to prove to stagecoach that it is a required route. GCRP are in the process of putting in a bid for connecting new communities. This will give us some extra funding between now and March 2023. The group then discussed a newly launched website called Platform. J Harris bought the website up on his screen. The website has been put in place to support schools with sustainable travel. The group decided it would be a good idea to share the website with brockworth's schools to get them on board with sustainable travel. It was then raised that someone/several people from the group need to go in to speak to the schools about Platform. Cllr Carter volunteered and someone from the group is going to approach Cllr Rigby to see if she can approach Castle Hill School. J Harris & Cllr Carter discussed approaching Cllr Carter's Employer Royal Mail on the business park to see if it could be a possibility for a transport survey to be distributed amongst Royal Mail employees. It was decided amongst the group that a letter would be constructed to distribute to the business park stating our aim for the transport survey. The group discussed distributing the letter on foot to all the businesses. There was also a discussion on approaching a business in the business park to see if they would be willing to host a meet up with the TWG and other businesses within the business park to discuss the transport survey. J Harris suggested that the final draft presentation of the transport plan should be presented to the planning and highways committee. J Harris then shared with the group on the share screen feature, a bar chart of recent survey results on how people get around Brockworth. It was interesting to see that a large majority of people were avoiding public transport usage to get around.

3. **Parking Issues**

The group discussed areas where cars are parking illegally (Court Road and Boverton Drive)

4. **Discuss Gloucester County Council's new fund, launched to improve the safety of county roads**

The new fund by GCC is going to be on the Planning and Highways agenda on 15th June so it can be discussed further. The group were pleased to hear that there were opportunities for grants to be rewarded for bin stickers, vehicle activated signs & community speed watch cameras. They were also happy to hear that GCC are offering road safety officer support.

5. School road safety

Members of the group to approach schools

6. Other road safety measures

The Apprentice updated the group on an email she had received from a resident regarding the overgrown vegetation along Ermin Street. The resident stressed in her email that the vegetation was getting so overgrown that she feared people will be forced to walk into the road to bypass the vegetation soon. The apprentice stated that she had reported the issue to highways and had encouraged the resident to do the same.

7. Any other business or updates

Nothing to report