

## Notice of a meeting of the

### **Planning and Development Committee**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7:30pm

All Saints Room, Civic Hall, Didcot



**Members of the Planning and Development Committee are summoned to attend a meeting on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.30pm.**

#### **Admission of the public and media**

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#### **Reports and minutes**

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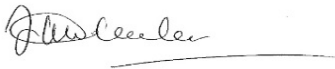
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# AGENDA

1. To receive apologies
2. To receive declarations of interest  
Members should declare any interests they may have on any item on this agenda in accordance with Didcot Town Council's Code of Conduct
3. To approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 (attached)
4. Questions on the minutes as to the progress of any item
5. To note as listed: correspondence regarding planning matters
6. To suggest new street names for Phase 2 and 4 of Didcot Northeast
7. To note the erection of 1 new residential dwelling to be known as: 7 Bridge Close, DIDCOT OX11 8DU
8. To note as listed: applications for certificates of lawful development and information only
9. To consider as listed: planning applications
10. To note as listed: planning appeals
11. To note as listed: planning applications approved
12. To note as listed: planning applications refused
13. To note as listed: planning applications withdrawn
14. To note as listed: planning applications referred
15. To note the amended Traffic Advisory Group meeting minutes from 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 (attached)
16. To note the draft Traffic Advisory Group meeting minutes as of 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022 (attached)



Janet Wheeler  
**Town Clerk**  
23<sup>rd</sup> December 2022

**Voting committee members**

Cllr Eleanor Hards (Chair)  
Cllr Anthony Dearlove (Vice Chair)  
Cllr Denise Macdonald  
Cllr Amanda Sandiford  
Cllr David Rouane  
Cllr James Durman  
Cllr Melissa Mallows

**Substitute committee members**

Cllr John Moody  
Cllr Pam Siggers  
Cllr Mocky Khan  
Cllr Dave Chandran

## Didcot Town Council

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### Minutes of the

### Planning and Development Committee Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 All Saints Room, Civic Hall



#### **PRESENT: Councillors:**

A Dearlove (Vice Chair)  
D Rouane  
P Siggers  
J Moody  
J Durman  
M Mallows

#### **Officers:**

L Blake (Planning and Environment Officer)  
A Guzinski (Planning and Allotments Officer)

One member of the public attended.

#### **137. To receive apologies**

Cllrs E Hards, and D Macdonald tendered their apologies.  
Cllr P Siggers substituted for Cllr E Hards, and Cllr J Moody substituted for Cllr D Macdonald.

Cllr A Sandiford was absent.

#### **138. To receive declarations of interests**

Cllr D Rouane declared an interest in agenda items 9 – to comment on the Notice of Submission of Further Information in relation to Application for Planning Permission Accompanied by an Environmental Statement and 10 - To comment on Oxfordshire

County Council Planning Application: Reference R3.0150/22 and would therefore leave the meeting while this was discussed.

No other declarations were made.

### **139. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

It was proposed by Cllr A Dearlove, seconded by Cllr P Siggers, and **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting and note them as such.

All members agreed.

### **140. Questions on the minutes as to the progress of any item**

There were no questions from the minutes.

### **141. Introduction of the new Planning and Allotments Officer**

The new Planning and Allotments Officer introduced himself to the Committee and explained that he would be clerking the Planning and Development Committee meetings going forward.

### **142. To note as listed: correspondence regarding planning matters**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Date received</b>	<b>Received from</b>	<b>Sent to Members</b>	<b>Details</b>
6a)	16 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	OCC	23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2022	To comment on the Notice of Submission of Further Information in relation to Application for Planning Permission Accompanied by an Environmental Statement.  Comments to be submitted by 24 <sup>th</sup> December 2022.  (Agenda item 9)
6b)	23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2022	SODC	24 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	To inform DTC of the variation of condition P22/S2706/FUL - Land south of the A4130 and ask whether DTC wish to amend their comment.  Comments to be submitted by 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2022.

				(Agenda item 11)
6c)	1 <sup>st</sup> December 2022	OCC	1 <sup>st</sup> December with agenda	To comment on Oxfordshire County Council Planning Reference R3.0150/22.  Comments to be submitted by 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022.  (Agenda item 10)

The Committee noted the items of correspondence.

The Chair explained a late item of correspondence had been received, a request from South Oxfordshire District Council for approximately 15 new street name suggestions for phase 2 and 4 of Northeast Didcot.

The Committee discussed options and themes, including contacting the Railway Station for engine name suggestions and contributors to Didcot town.

It was confirmed that the Council would suggest naming one street after the late Des Healy (Councillor and past Mayor of Didcot) and to defer the item to the next meeting of the Planning and Development Committee so that members could consider other suitable recommendations.

**143.To note the erection and numbering of 1 new residential dwelling to be numbered 10A Queensway, Didcot, OX11 8LZ**

The Committee noted the erection and numbering of the 1 new dwelling.

**144.To note the erection of 1 new dwelling to be numbered: 97A Sinodun Road, Didcot, OX11 8HH**

The Committee noted the erection and numbering of the 1 new dwelling.

Cllr D Rouane left the meeting at this point.

**145.To comment on the Notice of Submission of Further Information in relation to Application for Planning Permission Accompanied by an Environmental Statement (Regulation 25 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 as Amended) – OCC (sent to members on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022)**

Application	<a href="#">R3.0138/21</a>	View application and make comment using reference no: R3.0138/21
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<p><b>Proposal</b></p>	<p>The dualling of the A4130 carriageway (A4130 Widening) from the Milton Gate Junction eastwards, including the construction of three roundabouts; - A road bridge over the Great Western Mainline (Didcot Science Bridge) and realignment of the A4130 north east of the proposed road bridge including the relocation of a lagoon; - Construction of a new road between Didcot and Culham (Didcot to Culham River Crossing) including the construction of three roundabouts, a road bridge over the Appleford railway sidings and road bridge over the River Thames; - Construction of a new road between the B4015 and A415 (Clifton Hampden bypass), including the provision of one roundabout and associated junctions; and – Controlled crossings, footways and cycleways, landscaping, lighting, noise barriers and sustainable drainage systems.</p>
<p><b>Location</b></p>	<p>A linear site comprising a corridor between the A34 Milton Interchange and the B4015 north of Clifton Hampden including part of the A4130 east of the A34 Milton Interchange, land between Didcot and the former Didcot A Power Station and the Great Western Mainline, land to the north of Didcot where it crosses a private railway sidings and the River Thames to the west of Appleford-on-Thames before joining the A415 west of Culham Station, land to the south of Culham Science Centre through to a connection with the B4015 north of Clifton Hampden.</p>
<p><b>Response date</b></p>	<p>24<sup>th</sup> December 2022</p>
<p><b>Agreed response</b></p>	<p>It was proposed by Cllr A Dearlove, seconded by Cllr P Siggers, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to <b>maintain the Committee’s previous comments</b> which were submitted early in December 2021, as they felt they were still relevant:</p> <p><i>Didcot Town Council’s Planning and Development Committee support Oxfordshire County Council’s planning application – The dualling of the A4130 carriageway (A4130 Widening) from the Milton Gate Junction eastwards, including the construction of three roundabouts, but hope consideration is taken to improve connectivity for cyclists, with existing cycle routes.</i></p> <p><i>The Town Council ask that OCC acknowledge the existing problems with the cycle ways in Didcot, and work to address these in future with any other new projects, alongside this one.</i></p> <p><i>The Planning and Development Committee believe that a public exhibition should have taken place regarding this application, due to the amount of material associated with it</i></p> <p>All members agreed.</p>

**146.To comment on Oxfordshire County Council Planning application: Reference R3.0150/22**

Application	<a href="#">R3.0150/22</a>	View application and make comment using reference no: R3.0150/22
Proposal	Planning Application to request retrospective Planning Approval for the sports field constructed levels at Aureus Primary School (Chalkhill when originally approved reference R3.0001/17 – Submitted 6th December 2016 and approved in March 2017)	
Location	Aureus Primary School, Clover Fields, Didcot, Oxfordshire, OX11 6GS	
Response date	22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022	
Agreed response	It was proposed by Cllr A Dearlove, seconded by Cllr J Moody, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objection</b> to the application, with the following comment:  <i>Didcot Town Council has no objection to the application, providing there are no adverse effects on drainage to the adjoining properties.</i>  All members agreed.	

Cllr D Rouane re-joined the meeting at this point.

**147.To reconsider application P22/S2706/FUL – Land south of the A4130 – variation of condition** (sent to members 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022)

The Committee discussed this application again and the response received from SODC regarding the Town Council's previous comment.

It was proposed by Cllr M Mallows, seconded by Cllr J Durman, and **RESOLVED** to continue the Committee's **objection** to the application with the following comment:

*The Committee feel that a path should still remain an option and encourage the applicant to explore all avenues to provide this. If one is not installed, desire lines would be created by residents which could result in hazardous conditions.*

All members agreed.

**148.Applications for certificates of Lawful Development and Information only**

The Committee noted the below listed application for lawful development.



### 149.To consider as listed: Planning Applications

13a)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S3190/FUL</a>	Edmonds Park, Park Road, Didcot, OX11 8QE
	Amendment	No. 1 - dated 14th November 2022	
	Proposal	Creation of a new splash park and the erection of a plant room building (As amended and amplified by information received 14 November 2022).	
	DTC's previous response	Didcot Town Council fully supports this application sent 15 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.	
	Response date	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 (extended from 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2022)	
	Agreed response	It was proposed by Cllr P Siggers, seconded by Cllr J Moody, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to <b>support</b> this application. (ref. 238300)  Cllrs A Dearlove, J Durman and D Rouane abstained.	
13b)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S4039/HH</a>	21 Longford Way Didcot OX11 7TN
	Proposal	Garage conversion	
	Response date	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 (extended from 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022)	
	Agreed response	It was proposed by Cllr J Moody, seconded by Cllr D Rouane, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objection</b> to the application. (ref. 238299)  <i>The Committee wanted to note that the applicant appeared to be a business they believed not to be at the premises and wondered if this could be a clerical error – SODC would be contacted.</i>  All members agreed.	
13c)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S4011/RM</a>	Phases 3 and 5a Nobel Park Didcot
	Proposal	Application for Approval of Reserved Matters for Phase 3 & 5a for 158 dwellings together with associated landscaping and infrastructure further to application P15/S2902/O.	
	Response date	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 (extended from 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2022)	
	Agreed response	It was proposed by Cllr P Siggers, seconded by Cllr J Moody, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objection</b> to the application with the following comment: (ref 238302)  <i>The Committee have noted and strongly agree with the comments raised by the Housing Development Team in relation to affordable housing.</i>  All members agreed.	
13d)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S4152/FUL</a>	5 Lydalls Close Didcot OX11 7LD
	Proposal	Erection of chalet-style bungalow	
	Response date	10 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	
	Agreed response	It was proposed by Cllr A Dearlove, seconded by Cllr J Durman, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objection</b> to the application. (ref. 238304)	

		All members agreed.	
13e)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S4180/HH</a>	21 Buckingham Close Didcot OX11 8TX
	Proposal	Demolish rear conservatory and rear/side outbuilding and construct new single-storey extension comprising garden room, dry utility room and garden canopy.	
	Response date	14 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	
	Agreed response	It was proposed by Cllr J Durman, seconded by Cllr M Mallows, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objection</b> to the application. (ref. 238305)  All members agreed.	
13f)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S3737/HH</a>	Smiths Farm Foxhall Road Didcot OX11 7AG
	Proposal	The proposal is to add a single wooden gate for security and access.	
	Response date	15 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	
13g)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S3738/LB</a>	Smiths Farm Foxhall Road Didcot OX11 7AG
	Proposal	The proposal is to add a single wooden gate for security and access.	
	Response date	15 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	
	Agreed response	<b>The Committee discussed the two applications for Smiths Farm, together.</b>  It was proposed by Cllr P Siggers, seconded by Cllr J Moody, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to submit <b>no objection</b> to both applications. (ref. 238306 and 238307)  All members agreed.	
13h)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S4139/FUL</a>	Land Adjacent to 55 Broadway Didcot OX11 8AJ
	Proposal	Erection of two semi-detached 1-bed 2 person properties with a parking space each on an unused plot of land.	
	Response date	22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022	
	Agreed response	It was proposed by Cllr A Dearlove, seconded by Cllr P Siggers, and <b>RESOLVED</b> to <b>object</b> to the application, with the following comment: (ref. 238308) <i>The Committee object to the application on the grounds of highway safety due to the access to and from the properties from the adjacent highway, across a footpath, being hazardous.</i> <i>The parking proposed is impractical and the area is not wide enough for safe manoeuvring onto the main road. Vehicles should not be reversing out of the properties.</i>  All members agreed.	

### 150.To note as listed: Planning Appeals

The Committee noted no planning appeals had been received.

### 151. Applications Approved

The Committee noted the below listed approvals.

Didcot Town Council's recommendation	Planning Application Number	Proposal and Address
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3028/HH</a>	Proposed front porch extension. (Omission of proposed two storey rear extension).  <b>24 Bowness Avenue Didcot Oxfordshire OX11 8NG</b>
No objection with comment:  The 'no objection' is subject to the advice and request from the Tree Officer being met.	<a href="#">P22/S2043/HH</a>	New outbuilding in rear garden. (As clarified by Arboricultural Report received 20 October 2022) (As further clarified by email received 25 October 2022 in response to Forestry Officer query) (As further clarified by Arboricultural Method Statement received 14 November 2022).  <b>22 Icknield Close Didcot OX11 7AU</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3208/FUL</a>	Erection of a new two-bedroom dwelling house.  <b>Land to the rear of 95 Lydalls Road Didcot OX11 7DT</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3249/FUL</a>	Demolition of existing single storey side element of the dwelling house and detached garage. Erection of detached 2 storey 3 bed dwelling house. (As amplified by additional information received 06 October 2022).  <b>97 Sinodun Road Didcot OX11 8HH</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3736/HH</a>	Part single storey part two storey rear extension.  <b>60 Oxford Crescent Didcot OX11 7AX</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3735/HH</a>	Single storey rear extension.  <b>57 Westwater Way Didcot OX11 7SR</b>

No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3713/HH</a>	First floor rear extension. (As amended by drawings received 22 November 2022, reducing the proposed extension so it complies with the 45-degree rule).  <b>51 Edwin Road Didcot OX11 8LQ</b>
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**152.Applications refused**

The Committee noted no applications had been refused.

**153. Applications withdrawn**

The Committee noted no applications had been withdrawn.

**154. Applications referred**

The Committee noted no planning applications had been referred.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Signed: .....

Date: .....

Agenda continued.

**1. To receive apologies**

**2. To receive declarations of interest**

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**3. To approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 (attached)**

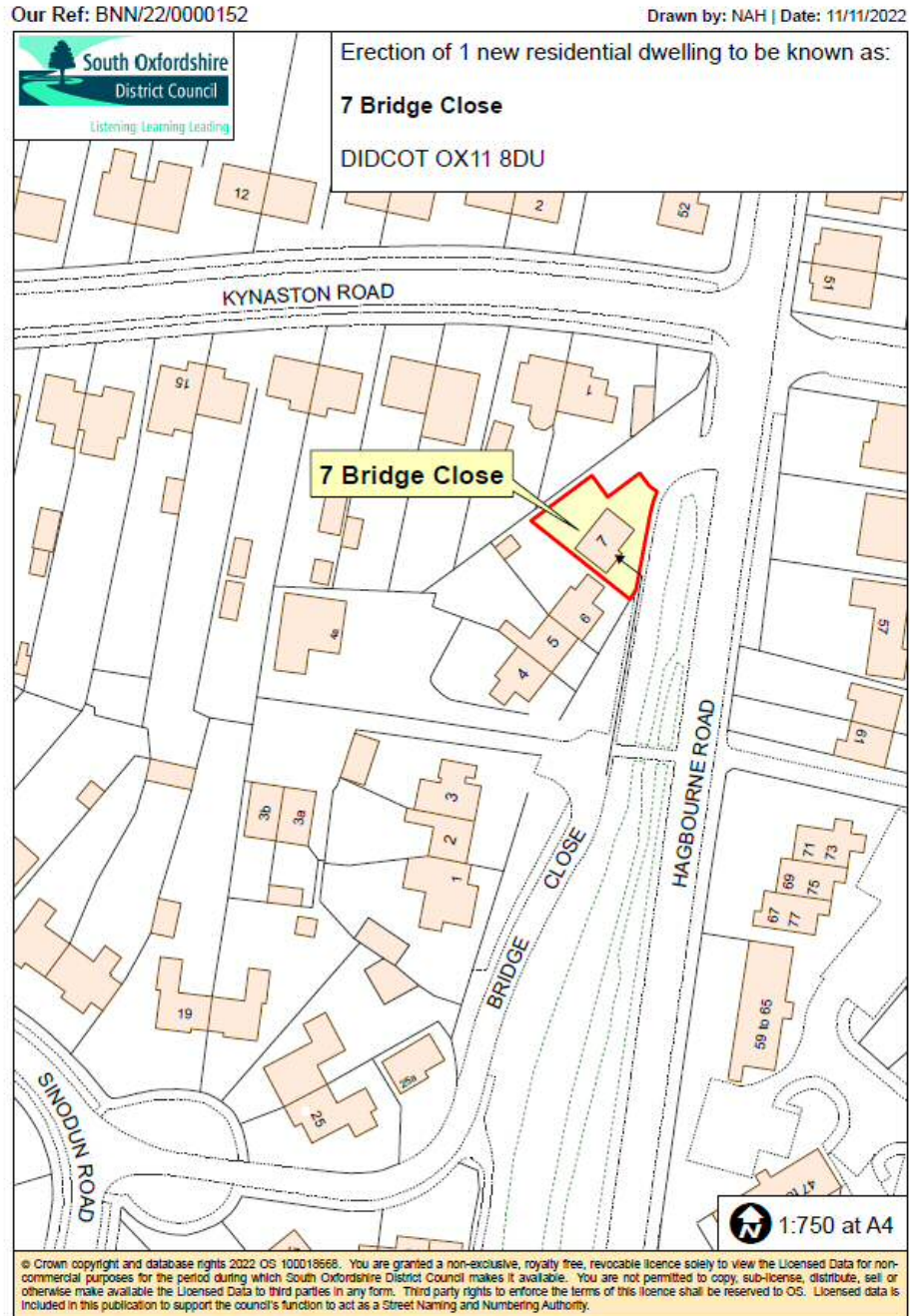
**4. Questions on the minutes as to the progress of any item**

**5. To note as listed: correspondence received regarding planning matters.**

Item	Date received	Received from	Sent to Members	Details
5a)	23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2022	SODC	23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2022	<p>To inform DTC that application P22/S4152/FUL– Erection of chalet-style dwelling. (As clarified by SAP calculations received 8 December 2022), 5 Lydalls Close, Didcot, OX11 7LD. will be considered at SODC's next Planning Committee meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023. It is the Officer's recommendation to grant permission.</p> <p>DTC previously submitted 'no objection' to this application – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022.</p> <p>Registration needs to be completed by noon on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023.</p> <p>Agenda item 14</p>

6. To suggest new street names for Phase 2 and 4 of Didcot Northeast

7. To note the erection of 1 new residential dwelling to be known as: 7 Bridge Close, D IDCOT OX11 8DU



## 8. Applications for certificates of Lawful Development and Information only

None received.

## 9. To consider as listed: Planning Applications

9a)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P21/S2542/RM</a>	Land to the North East of Didcot Didcot
	<b>Amendment</b>	No. 4 - dated 5th December 2022	
	<b>Proposal</b>	Reserved Matters Application in respect of 59 dwellings and 4 multi-use commercial space including car parking, open space, landscaping, and associated works. (As amended by drawings and information received 26 October 2021, 6 January 2022, 19 August 2022, and 5 December 2022).	
	<b>DTC's previous response</b>	Didcot Town Council would like to object on the basis that the Crime Prevention Officer still has a holding objection to this application and that not all transport related issues previously mentioned by OCC, have been addressed.	
	<b>Response date</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> January 2023 (extended from 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2022)	
	<b>Agreed response</b>		
9b)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P22/S4183/HH</a>	11 Loyd Road Didcot OX11 8JX
	<b>Proposal</b>	Dropped kerb.	
	<b>Response date</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
	<b>Agreed response</b>		
9c)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P22/S4337/FU</a>	2 Sherwood Road Didcot OX11 0BU
	<b>Proposal</b>	New dwelling joined to No. 2 Sherwood Road and extension to No. 2 Sherwood Road.	
	<b>Response date</b>	7 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
	<b>Agreed response</b>		



9d)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P22/S4373/HH</a>	7 Abbey Brook Didcot OX11 7FY
	<b>Proposal</b>	Formation of habitable room in roofspace with front dormer and rooflights.	
	<b>Response date</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
	<b>Agreed response</b>		
9e)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P22/S4406/FUL</a>	Unit At East Workshop Richs Sidings Didcot OX11 8AG
	<b>Proposal</b>	Revision to planning permission ref: P21/S2453/FUL. Proposed mixed use of existing premises as personal training studio/gym and storage facility for mobile car repair mechanic.	
	<b>Response date</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
	<b>Agreed response</b>		
9f)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P22/S4169/HH</a>	11 Mallard Drive Didcot OX11 6EH
	<b>Proposal</b>	Provision of opening and un-obscured glazing to side facing rooflights.	
	<b>Response date</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
	<b>Agreed response</b>		
9g)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P21/S0242/FUL</a>	Phase 1 a Great Western Park Sor Frank Williams Way Great Western Park Didcot
	<b>Amendment</b>	No. 1 - dated 14th December 2022	
	<b>Proposal</b>	Retrospective erection of landscape bunds and reprofiling of bunds. (As amended by plan received 14 December 2022).	
	<b>DTC's previous response</b>	Didcot Town Council supports this application.	
	<b>Response date</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
	<b>Agreed response</b>		
9h)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P22/S4408/HH</a>	53 Derwent Avenue Didcot OX11 7RF
	<b>Proposal</b>	Single story rear extension.	
	<b>Response date</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
	<b>Agreed response</b>		



9i)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S0491/O</a>	Land at Station Road, Lydalls Road & Haydon Road Didcot OX11 7JR
	Amendment	No. 1 - dated 12th December 2022	
	Proposal	Outline planning application (with all matters reserved except for access) for the demolition of existing structures and redevelopment for up to 144 dwellings, hard and soft landscaping, parking, and all associated engineering works. (As amended & amplified by documents received 12 December 2022).	
	DTC's previous response	<p>Didcot Town Council's Planning and Development Committee would like to object to application P22/S0491/O for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>South Oxfordshire Local Plan</b> The Committee noted that the development is contrary to STRAT 5 of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan as it does not fulfil "the need to minimise detrimental impacts on the amenity of future and/or adjoining occupiers."</li> <li>• <b>Impact on the surrounding area</b> The proposed development on the west of the site seems overbearing and unneighbourly. The design references to railway architecture are appropriate for a site near the station. However, the railway workers' housing on Station Road is more suitable as a reference than a Grade II listed engine shed, however historically significant.</li> <li>• <b>Potential for increase in traffic congestion</b> Station Road and Hitchcock Way suffer increasing congestion and gridlocking on a regular basis due to the road being used as the main route into the Orchard Centre by visitors and deliveries. The Committee is concerned that this development will exacerbate the problem. There is little scope for the adjacent roads, Broadway for example, to be able to manage a substantial increase in traffic. The DAS acknowledges in the context of sustainable transport that Station Road is critical for bus circulation. Although it is outside the scope of this application, we do not want to see any measures taken to reduce the capacity of Station Road to carry traffic.</li> <li>• <b>Access</b> The Committee were extremely concerned regarding the access to the site, especially from Lydalls Road. Lydalls Road is currently a one-way street which houses a Nursery School, and the road is already extremely busy during pick up and drop off times. Members are concerned for the safety of the children during these times, especially as the pavements are inadequate. This is also in contrary to section 2v of STRAT 5 (see above).</li> <li>• <b>Insufficient Parking</b> The Committee noted that there is insufficient parking proposed for the development. Only a small percentage of residents will be able to park in allocated bays, which will mean an increase of vehicles battling for the small amount of on street parking in the immediate area. Didcot Town Council already receive numerous complaints regarding parking issues in the immediate vicinity on a regular basis. The proposed development will exacerbate this and will be in contrary to section 2v of STRAT 5, as it will have a "...detrimental impact[s] on the amenity of future and/or adjoining occupiers." Despite statements in the application there is no evidence that the measures proposed will prevent indiscriminate parking. If the development is approved, we would like to see a condition imposed to restrict car ownership.</li> </ul>	
	Response date	11 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
	Agreed response		

## 10. To note as listed: Planning Appeals

None received.

## 11. To note as listed: Planning Applications approved

Didcot Town Council's recommendation	Planning Application Number	Proposal and Address
No objection	<a href="#">P21/S3283/RM</a>	<p>Reserved matters for Phase 2 and 4 of Northeast Didcot development pursuant to outline planning permission P15/S2902/O. (as amended by plans and information received 17 August 2022, 28 September 2022 &amp; 19 October 2022).</p> <p>The development comprises 288 residential units of a mix of property types and sizes; car parking and garages, internal access roads, footpaths, parking and circulation areas; hard and soft landscaping and other associated infrastructure and engineering works.</p> <p><b>Phase 2 &amp; 4 Willington Down Land at North East Didcot Didcot</b></p>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3629/FUL</a>	<p>Application for the installation of a mezzanine floor to be used for retail (Class E) and an ancillary pet care, treatment, and grooming facility.</p> <p><b>Unit 2 Hadden Hill Retail Park Didcot OX11 9BF</b></p>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3641/FUL</a>	<p>Application for the installation of 13 air conditioning units and a gas cylinder cage.</p> <p><b>Unit 2 Hadden Hill Retail Park Didcot OX11 9BF</b></p>

No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3498/HH</a>	First Floor side extension over existing garage  <b>15 Tarret Burn Didcot OX11 7FZ</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3876/HH</a>	Proposed ground and first floor side extension.  <b>140 Freeman Road Didcot OX11 7DA</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3882/HH</a>	Single storey rear extension  <b>7 Rutherford Place Didcot OX11 8QN</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3834/HH</a>	Single and two storey extension to the side and rear. Single storey extension to the front.  <b>11 Edinburgh Drive Didcot OX11 7HS</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S3943/HH</a>	Single storey side extension  <b>118 Brasenose Road Didcot OX11 7BN</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S0949/FUL</a>	Construction and operation of a cylinder depot including the widening of the main site access, creation of a hardstanding, construction of a garage, offices and three liquid gas storage tanks, additional helium compressor, new weighbridge and island with fuel dispenser, steel frame canopy for sorting and storage of cylinders, HGV parking bays, internal access road and demolition of the sales building to create additional ancillary staff car parking. As amplified by; - Land quality risk assessment dated April 2022 received on the 3 May 2022, - Additional ecological information received 6 July 2022, 27 October 2022, and 8 November - Highway information received 29 July 2022 and as amplified by information received 9 September 2022 and amended by plans received 13 September 2022 showing larger HGV garage/workshop building.  <b>Air Products Plc, Harrier Park, Hawksworth Didcot OX11 7PL</b>
No objection	<a href="#">P22/S4039/HH</a>	Garage conversion.  <b>21 Longford Way Didcot OX11 7TN</b>

<p>Comment submitted:</p> <p>The Committee are willing to withdraw their previous objection to this application but would like to see provisions made for the parking of mobility scooters on site.</p>	<p><a href="#">P22/S1047/FUL</a></p>	<p>Redevelopment for retirement living accommodation for older people (sixty years of age and/or partner over fifty five years of age) comprising 28 retirement apartments including communal facilities, access, car parking and landscaping. (As amplified by additional information - contamination received 23 May 2022, amended plans and highways information received 14 June 2022 and amended description 14 June 2022. As amplified by Highways Technical Note received 20 June 2022, energy statement received on 24 June 2022, additional information received 12 July 2022 and amended plans received 15 July 2022, 20 July 2022, 26 July 2022).</p> <p><b>Former Site Of Georgetown Filling Station Broadway Didcot OX11 8SD</b></p>
<p>No objection</p>	<p><a href="#">P21/S1133/FUL</a></p>	<p>Construction of 86 dwellings, access road and balancing ponds and delivery of open space, landscaping and areas for play.</p> <p><b>Ladygrove Farm Ladygrove Road Didcot OX119BS</b></p>

## 12. To note as listed: Planning Applications refused

12a)	Application	<a href="#">P22/S3750/HH</a>	87 Green Close Didcot OX11 8TE
	Proposal	Proposed first floor side extension and internal alterations.	
	Date refusal confirmation received	2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022	
	DTC's response 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	No objection	

12b)	<b>Application</b>	<a href="#">P22/S3857/O</a>	34 Edinburgh Drive Didcot OX11 7HT
	<b>Proposal</b>	Outline application for a proposed dwelling adjacent 34 Edinburgh Drive.	
	<b>Date refusal confirmation received</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	
	<b>DTC's response 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022</b>	Didcot Town Council objects to the application with the following comments: The Committee support the objection and comments from the Highways Authority and have the same concerns. The Committee feel that inadequate vehicle access is being proposed, especially as the proposal is located on a bend.	

**13. To note as listed: Planning Applications withdrawn**

None received.

**14. To note as listed: Planning Applications referred**

<b>Didcot Town Council's recommendation</b>	<b>Planning Application Number</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>South Oxfordshire District Council Officer's recommendation</b>
9 <sup>th</sup> of December 2022 - No objection	<a href="#">P22/S4152/FUL</a>	<b>5 Lydalls Close, Didcot, OX11 7LD</b>	To <b>grant</b> permission

**15. To note the amended Traffic Advisory Group meeting minutes as of 23<sup>rd</sup> of May 2022 - attached**

**16. To note the draft Traffic Advisory Group meeting minutes as of 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2022 - attached**

## Didcot Town Council

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**Traffic Advisory Group**  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022, 2.00pm  
Via Microsoft Team



## Minutes

Note: These minutes are subject to approval as a true and correct record by the next meeting.

### **PRESENT:**

Cllr C Wilson<sup>1</sup> (Chair)  
Cllr M Khan<sup>1</sup>  
Cllr D Rouane<sup>2</sup>  
Cllr E Hards  
Cllr P Davies  
Cllr I Snowdon (County Council Councillor)

Mr L Turner (Oxfordshire County Council Traffic Officer)  
Mr M Horton (Parking and Traffic Technical Officer)

Mr C Hulme (Traffic Management Officer)

Mrs J Wheeler (Town Clerk)  
Mr S Mundy (Projects and Services Officer)

3 members of the public attended.

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<sup>1</sup>Also a District Councillor

<sup>2</sup>Also a District and County Councillor

## 1. To receive apologies

None received.

## 2. Accuracy check of the minutes

It was **AGREED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021 be recorded as a true record and was noted as such.

## 3. Questions/updates from the minutes of the last meeting

**This section will now become a progress report moving forward at the next meeting.**

Section 4 of the previous meeting Cllr C Wilson asked on progress of the CPE actions. The information had been added that was sent through from James Whiting but the section on the website has now disappeared.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** to add the CPE section of the website is back up and running. The Projects and Services Officer to speak to the Events and Communications Officer to get this back live.

Cllr C Wilson also asked about the progress of if a website address was sent through from Mr C Hulme regarding where to report speeding or traffic offenses. The Projects and Services Officer had sent around to all Councillors and had been added to the website under the section which was deleted.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** For the Events and Communication Officer to add back onto the website.

## 4. Haydon Road Area Report

Mr M Horton explained phase 1 of the resident parking study. This would cover East side of Lydalls Road, Haydon Road to cross junction, Cronshaw Close and Station Road. At present there is £10,000 worth of developer funding that can fund this scheme and a further £18,000 for phase 2 of the scheme. Mr M Horton also explained at present there is a suspension of the parking enforcement of the two-hour limit on Lydalls Road.

Cllr E Hards expressed a concern regarding the west side of Lydalls Road not being part of the scheme and this should be investigated within the plan.

Cllr P Davies asked Oxfordshire County Council to consider a contra-flow cycle lane for the one-way section of Lydalls Road. Especially if doing any line marking as a part of the resident permit scheme as it may be able to piggyback relatively cost

free. Swapping the parking bays to the north side of the road would make this fairly easily viable and may even add spaces due to lack of crossovers on that side.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** for Mr M Horton to send proposal to the Town Clerk and Projects and Services Officer in time for the Full Council meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

## **5. Resident's Parking Scheme for the Northbourne area**

The three Didcot residents expressed their concerns regarding parking on the street they live in in the Northbourne area of Didcot. The areas included East Street and Hagbourne Road. They expressed that it was near impossible to near your house due to the number of cars down the road which included staff from the Orchard Centre as they have nowhere to park within the Orchard Centre car park. They have asked the Town Council to investigate a resident parking scheme.

Cllr M Khan explained the need for reporting these issues to the Police and the more evidence gathered will support getting items investigated.

One resident suggested a park and ride scheme with a discounted rate.

Mr C Hulme explained that reporting of incidents can help support cases but need the evidence. He explained it is widespread in residential areas and not just happening in Didcot. The police will investigate whether an offence has been caused but parking.

The same resident asked where duty of care lies for residents and if a death would then cause action. Mr C Hulme explained items will be reviewed and the police priorities the areas that are high risk.

Cllr D Rouane explained that high street had double yellow lines added, and this has now helped the area and people are not parking on the corner of junctions.

Cllr D Rouane explained the 2 areas identified being Haydon Road area and station area and the second area the Northbourne area which bounded by Hagbourne Road, Wessex Road, Mereland Road and Broadway. These are the 2 areas of priority for resident parking schemes. At present only the Haydon Road area has been put forward as has been higher on the list.

Cllr M Khan explained the Council takes the health and safety very seriously and this is the reason Councillors have pushed for Civil Parking Enforcement to come into force.



Further discussions then took place regarding planning and rules from central government.

Mr M Horton suggested that we look at areas at Junctions within the bounds of Hagbourne Road, Mereland Road, Wessex Road and Broadway that could require double yellow lines as these items can be resolved quicker.

**Action:** - The Projects and Services Officer to speak to Northbourne Councillors to understand where double yellow lines could be installed and feedback to Oxfordshire County Council highways team.

## 6. 20MPH requests – Roebuck Court and Broadway/Wantage Road

The Projects and Services Officer presented the case from residents regarding issues they are experiencing in Roebuck Court and traffic driving over the speed limit on Broadway and Wantage Road.

Cllr P Davies explained he was progressing a motion for just Ladygrove but he and Cllr D Rouane will update their motion to Didcot Town Council to ask Oxfordshire County Council to consider the whole of Didcot to become 20mph.

## 7. Resident concerns raised

Concern 1 – Drivers blocking traffic lights on Hitchcock Way from Ladygrove

A discussion took place regarding the traffic lights at Hitchcock Way and Cow Lane during the Christmas traffic going into the Orchard Centre. The Projects and Services Officer explained that he had already replied to the resident to contact Oxfordshire Highways in December as the Town Council only acts as an advisory group.

**Action:** – Potential look into a Crosshatched yellow marking so cars do not block the drivers leaving Ladygrove. It was **AGREED** for Cllr I Snowdon and Cllr D Rouane to write a letter to Oxfordshire County Council.

Concern 2 – Parking by Enterprise car rental causing hazards for pedestrians and buses and parking on grass opposite

Mr M Horton explained that this should be something CPE officers are looking into as they are parked on double yellow lines.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** that Mr M Horton would raise issue with his team.

Concern 3 – Constant illegal parking in front of Caprinos Pizza

The group discussed the best way forward as delivery drivers can park on double yellow lines while picking up pizza's to then go out.

The Projects and Services Officer explained he has experienced some hold ups while going home at night after his shift due to the delivery drivers parking in front of the Caprinos Pizza and causing issues on the broadways.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** Mr M Horton will take forward with his team and understand how this can be dealt with further.

Concern 4 – A new crossing on Wantage Road between the two estates and Pills Pond is urgently needed

A discussion took place on the progress of the crossing and that money is in place for this to go in. It is understood there is a slight issue that needs to be sorted and the crossing is under tender.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** that MR M Horton will contact his colleague Ralph to send an update to the Projects and Services Officer.

Concern 5 – Speeding on Park Road.

Cllr I Snowdon explained he needed to still organise a speed survey from the previous meeting for Park Road.

Abingdon Road was also brought up as an area of concern.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** for Cllr I Snowdon to arrange for a speed survey to take place on Park Road.

It was also **AGREED** that the Projects and Services Officer would speak to the Events and Communications Officer about ensuring we have a section on the Traffic Advisory Group page to report issues of speeding.

It was also **AGREED** that the Projects and Services Officer speaks to the Events and Communication Officer to add a section regarding Community Speed watch onto the website so residents can look to apply.

Concern 6 – Parking on the green at the Croft

Cllr M Khan raised cars were parked on the grass verge outside of the Broadway allotments and we need to be aware as a Council of these events. Cllr I Snowdon confirmed an event took place at the Marlborough Club and the boxing group and was a one off.

Mr M Horton explained if the Council would like to action anything on the Croft we would need to write into public highways.

**Action:** - For the Councillors to decide if a letter should be written to public highways or to continue to keep an eye on the situation and action if more complaints arise.

Concern 7 – Speeding along Avon Way and the using Doctors surgery area as speed tracks then go around Tyne Avenue and Mersey Way

Cllr P Davies mentioned we should look at the Community Speed watch for this area.

Cllr I Snowdon explained we could investigate other options such as 3d speed bumps if CIL money is available.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** for the Projects and Services Officer to write back to the resident and explain about Community Speed watch scheme that could be put in place. The Projects and Services Officer will need to explain the need of getting car Registration numbers and reporting this to the Police to the resident.

Concern 8 – The cycleway crossing the main road on Avon Way that has seen near misses where pedestrians walk across without stopping.

A discussion took place where it was explained that cars should be stopping at these crossings. Due to the nature of the crossing as a shared cycleway the cyclist/pedestrian has priority not right of way. This is indicated as it's the fact its level and there are curves that you must cross to get onto it and either side has no tactile paving and no waiting area.

It was also explained that the new highway code does mean pedestrians, horses and cyclists have priority over motor vehicles.

**Action:** - It was **AGREED** for The Projects and Services Officer to write back to resident and explain this is a shared crossing and doesn't offer a priority to a specific group.

## **8. Gateway Project**

Not covered in this meeting

## **9. Bollards on Lower Broadway**

This subject was briefly discussed and was agreed that with the introduction of CPE this has greatly improved the parking on the Broadway. There is a concern as above regarding Caprinos Pizza shop in the early evening once the opened.

**10. A request from Michael Ross regarding naming a street name after Christopher Dark**

Not covered within meeting but the Projects and Services Officer to passed to the Planning Committee Chair.

**11. Active Travel – Promotion and Facilitation**

Cllr P Davies suggested we consider this in very item rather than just a final separate item.

Meeting closed at 4.05pm

## Didcot Town Council

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**Traffic Advisory Group**  
Tuesday 29th November 2022, 7.30pm  
Via Microsoft Teams



## Minutes

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### PRESENT:

Cllr C Wilson<sup>1</sup> (Chair)

Cllr D Rouane<sup>2</sup>

Cllr P Davies

Cllr I Snowdon (County Council Councillor)

Mr L Turner (Oxfordshire County Council Traffic Officer)

Mr O Baron (Oxfordshire County Council Project Manager)

Mr C Hulme (Traffic Management Officer)

Mr S Mundy (Projects and Services Officer)

2 members of the public attended.

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<sup>1</sup>Also a District Councillor

<sup>2</sup>Also a District and County Councillor

## 1. To receive apologies

Apologies received from Cllr E Hards, Cllr M Khan, and Cllr M Walsh.

## 2. Accuracy check of the minutes

It was **AGREED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 be recorded as a true record subject to amendments requested by Cllr P Davies as below.

Item 4 – Cllr P Davies added for OCC to consider a contra-flow cycle lane for the one-way section on Lydalls Road. Especially if doing any line marking as a part of the resident permit scheme as it may be able to piggyback relatively cost free. Swapping the parking bays to the north side of the road would make this easily viable and may even add spaces due to lack of crossovers on that side.

Items 6 – Cllr P Davies explained he was progressing a motion for just Ladygrove but he and Cllr D Rouane will update their motion to Didcot Town Council to ask Oxfordshire County Council to consider the whole of Didcot to become 20mph.

Item 11 - Cllr P Davies suggested we consider active travel in every item rather than just a final separate item.

It was **AGREED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 as a true record and noted as such.

## 3. Review Progress Report

The Projects and Services Officer went through the actions completed since the last Traffic Advisory Group meeting on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022.

A discussion took place on the items that have been actioned and ongoing.

Action	Responsible	Meeting Date	Progress/ Completion Date
To add the CPE section of the website is back up and running. The Projects and Services Officer to speak to the Events and Communications Officer to get this back live.	Officers	23/05/22	Now back on the website
Ensure how to report speeding and incident back to the website.	Officers	23/05/22	Found wasn't on the website. Has now been added but think we can expand a bit more.
Haydon Road area report - Mr M Horton to send proposal to the Town Clerk and Projects and Services Officer in time for the Full Council meeting on 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.	OCC	23/05/22	Went to Full Council on 18/07/22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Haydon Road project (AKA "Didcot Station Area Controlled Parking Zone")</li></ul> The County Council are still preparing the necessary Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) documents as part of advertising the proposals. It is now unlikely that will happen prior to Xmas, but there would be letter drops to frontagers as well as formal consultation letters to relevant bodies (including the Town Council) when that does take place. Subject to progress with that, and the outcome of consultation, it may be possible to implement the scheme in Spring 2023.

Resident Parking scheme on for the Northbourne area	OCC/Councillors	23/05/22	Emailed OCC for an update on this scheme and currently still in a long list of areas. <i>As regards Church Street, and some of the other residential areas just off the Broadway (particularly to the south), we are aware of general concerns, and again a request is already on our long list, but there is no specific review currently programmed to consider that further. However, there is a 'Didcot central corridor' study going on – are you, and the Town Council generally, aware of this? One particular aspect of that is looking at The Broadway and parking is a particular focus. The project team is currently considering suggestions for some parking surveys to be undertaken fairly early in the new year.</i>																		
The Projects and Services Officer to speak to Northbourne Councillors to understand where double yellow lines could be installed and feedback to Oxfordshire County Council highways team.	Officers	23/05/22	Projects and Services Officer to follow up. Have emailed relevant Northbourne Councillors awaiting reply. From previous meeting think it was all round junctions on <u>Hagbourne Road</u> and <u>Mereland Road</u> .																		
20mph motion for whole of Didcot to go to Full Council meeting by Cllr D Rouane and Cllr P Davies	Councillors	23/05/22	Went to Full Council on 18/07/22																		
Potential look into a Crosshatched yellow marking so cars do not block the drivers leaving Ladygrove at the traffic lights at Hitchcock Way and Cow Lane Bridge. It was <b>AGREED</b> for Cllr I Snowdon and Cllr D Rouane	Councillors	23/05/22	Projects and Services Officer emailed both Cllr I Snowdon and D Rouane for an update awaiting reply.																		
to write a letter to Oxfordshire County Council.																					
Parking by Enterprise car rental causing hazards for pedestrians and buses and parking on grass opposite <b>Action:</b> - It was <b>AGREED</b> that Mr M Horton would raise issue with his team.	OCC	23/05/22	<p>Since May 2022 the following enforcement has been undertaken in both streets.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Location</th> <th>Number of visits to the location overall</th> <th>Number of vehicles' details logged</th> <th>Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) Issued</th> <th>Number of vehicles that drove away prior to issue of PCN</th> <th>Number of PCNs cancelled prior to issue</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Station Road</td> <td>28</td> <td>105</td> <td>79</td> <td>25</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Broadway</td> <td>185</td> <td>1124</td> <td>256</td> <td>114</td> <td>8</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The data doesn't allow us to provide details of individuals/organisations who have been issued PCNs, or to be more specific on the locations, merely the whole road can be summarised. However, we have checked The Broadway, and of the 256 total PCNs issued, 39 were for vehicles parked in a restricted street during prescribed hours <u>i.e.</u> parked illegally on yellow lines.</p>	Location	Number of visits to the location overall	Number of vehicles' details logged	Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) Issued	Number of vehicles that drove away prior to issue of PCN	Number of PCNs cancelled prior to issue	Station Road	28	105	79	25	1	The Broadway	185	1124	256	114	8
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Constant illegal parking in front of <u>Caprinos Pizza</u>	OCC	23/05/22	As above																		

<p><b>Action:</b> - It was <b>AGREED</b> Mr M Horton will take forward with his team and understand how this can be dealt with further.</p>			
<p>A new crossing on Wantage Road between the two estates and Pills Pond is urgently needed  <b>Action:</b> - It was <b>AGREED</b> that MR M Horton will contact his colleague Ralph to send an update to the Projects and Services Officer.</p>	OCC/ Officer	23/05/22	<p>Response from Ralph</p> <p><i>At the moment the scheme is with our Procurement Team who are responsible for the tendering process and awarding the scheme to a suitable contractor. This scheme is one of several schemes that are being processed by the team but at the moment as far as I understand none of them have yet been awarded to a contractor and there is no indication how long this process will take.</i></p> <p><i>Unfortunately, and frustratingly this scheme is in a type of limbo at the moment and I am unable to forecast when it will proceed to the next phase as all the schemes I have been involved with have yet to complete the tendering process.</i></p> <p><i>However, as I write there are moves afoot to get the scheme out to tender very soon but until this is materialises the scheme remains in the tender process.</i></p> <p>The Projects and Services Officer to respond to resident</p> <p>Update 28/11/22 - No progress to report.</p> <p><i>I am providing additional information to assist Milestone our service provider who is conducting the tender process</i></p>
<p>Speeding on Park Road  <b>Action:</b> - It was <b>AGREED</b> for Cllr I Snowdon to arrange for</p>	Councillor/ Officers	23/05/22	<p>Projects and Services Officer to write to resident explaining a speed survey will be looked at put to look into Community speed watch. The P&amp;S Officer has responded to the resident.</p>
<p>a speed survey to take place on Park Road.</p> <p>It was also <b>AGREED</b> that the Projects and Services Officer would speak to the Events and Communications Officer about ensuring we have a section on the Traffic Advisory Group page to report issues of speeding.</p> <p>It was also <b>AGREED</b> that the Projects and Services Officer speaks to the Events and Communication Officer to add a section regarding Community Speed watch onto the website so residents can look to apply.</p>			<p>Projects and Services Officer to email Cllr Snowdon regarding progress</p> <p>Community speed watch on website and TAG is on the there.</p>
<p>Parking on the green at the Croft  <b>Action:</b> - For the Councillors to decide if a letter should be written to public highways or to continue to keep an eye on the situation and action if more complaints arise.</p>	Councillors/ Officer	23/05/22	<p>This items still needs discussing.</p>



Speeding along Avon Way and the using Doctors surgery area as speed tracks then go around Tyne Avenue and Mersey Way It was <b>AGREED</b> for the Projects and Services Officer to write back to the resident and explain about Community Speed watch scheme that could be put in place. The Projects and Services Officer will need to explain the need of getting car Registration numbers and reporting this to the Police to the resident.	Officer	23/05/22	Email resident back – emailed resident on 4/8/22 to with a link to Community <a href="#">Speedwatch</a> .
The cycleway crossing the main road on Avon Way that has seen near misses where pedestrians walk across without stopping <b>Action:</b> - It was <b>AGREED</b> for The Projects and Services Officer to write back to resident and explain this is a shared crossing and doesn't offer a priority to a specific group.	Officer	23/05/22	Email resident back – emailed resident on 4/8/22

#### 4. Issues regarding Bowmont Water parking and Railway Centre signage concerns

The resident from Bowmont Water neighbourhood watch explained the issues they have been experiencing with cars and Railway centre users driving down the road as following the sat nav.

The resident asked if there could be additional signage added to direct visitors before they reach Bowmont Water.

Cllr D Rouane as added this to the Garden Town wayfinding list for attention.

Mr L Turner explained the signs directing visitors to the Railway Centre had been overgrown and on 'Fix my street'. These have now been rectified and should help with the issues raised.

The Ladygrove resident also explained the issues of regarding parking on Bowmont Water and Ladygrove in general this was also seconded by the other Didcot resident taking part in the meeting.

Cllr D Rouane explained that he would look around Ladygrove and report back to Oxfordshire County Council.

Mr C Hulme explained that the issue raised within discussion are not just Ladygrove and this is a national issue in urban areas.

The Projects and Services Officer explained that using Fix my Street is the best way of report issues and gave an explain of when has used.

Mr L Turner explained that it's not viable to put yellow lines around Ladygrove and explained how much it would cost if all problem areas across Oxfordshire completed this there would be a massive cost to the County. He mentioned that putting a white line across driveways is the best way of ensuring people do not park in front of people drives. This would cost £150, and Oxfordshire County Council will maintain. People do generally respect this.

**Action:** - Cllr D Rouane to send through to the Projects and Services Officer areas recommended for double yellow lines. Then DTC to write to Oxfordshire County Council.

Cllr P Davies discussed the need to promote active travel in Didcot and how this would benefit the roads in and around Didcot.

Cllr I Snowdon brought attention to Mr L Turner of a complaint he had made regarding Manor Crescent and Wantage Road where a cyclist had a near miss. Mr L Turner will speak to colleague and report back to Cllr I Snowdon

**Action:** - Mr L Turner to investigate and report back Cllr I Snowdon regarding complaint.

## **5. Haydon Road Parking Scheme and update on Northbourne Area**

A discussion took place regarding the update on Haydon Road parking scheme. The Projects and Services Officer explained the update from Parking and Traffic Technical Officer.

Cllr C Wilson added that we should also look to add White Leys Close and Station Road.

Cllr P Davies asked if a contraflow lane could be added as would support cycling to the secondary schools. At present there is parking on the south side, and this could potentially be swapped to the north side. Cllr P Davies says there could also be funding available and would encourage cyclists.

Mr L Turner mentioned there are engineering matters which would need to be considered.

A Didcot Resident added that there should be a link between cycle routes as they don't all link together and some are dangerous which bring cyclists out onto road which are not safe to cycle on.

Cllr D Rouane mentioned he was attending a meeting on local cycling and walking schemes and would bring this up as there is a need to understand how children get to schools.

**Action:** - The Projects and Services Officer to email Cllr D Rouane areas to be added.

## **6. Active Travel**

Cllr P Davies explained that we need all local authorities to actively promote active travel within the County. All bodies should also be doing as much as possible to ensure that paths and cycle ways are cleared of leaves and brambles. This would encourage better travel.

Mr L Turner explained that items should be added to 'fix my street' and items will be looked at. 'Fix my street' should also be promoted alongside active travel.

## **7. Completion of the Northern Perimeter Road**

Mr O Baron gave an update on the current progress on the completion of the Northern Perimeter Road. At present it's at the feasibility stage and still some work to do before going to design stage.

A discussion took place regarding areas that required thinking about before designs come to pass.

Cllr I Snowdon has explained that the drawings provided on the agenda are not the current drawings being proposed, as the two oaks nearby are being saved.

Mr O Baron explained that the Northern Perimeter Road project is sectioned into two developments, the Northern part is to be led by the Oxfordshire County Council, and the Southern section is to be led by the developer, who will take care to protect the oaks.

Cllr P Davies also commented on the offset roundabout being condemned by residents, and that it is currently being amended as the HIF road project takes place. Cllr P Davies also suggested that the 1992 drawing of the roundabout would work better in this scenario.

Mr O Baron has explained that the roundabout proposal needs to be reviewed further before it moves into the preliminary designs as it has been objected to before, and any proposal brought forward will be evidence based. More information will be collected with the latest standards available.

Mr O Baron has also stated that the team are currently scoping the next project, as well as coordinating with the local developer, Bloor Homes, with regards to planning, with construction starting around 2025 should the plan go smoothly, with the works being finished around 2026 at the best-case scenario.

Cllr P Davies has proposed that if there were funds available for a roundabout, it should be included in the plans as it will prevent accidents along the road.

## **8. Pedestrian Crossing activation on Northern Perimeter Road adjacent to Avon Way and Mersey Way**

Cllr P Davies explained these traffic lights have now been completed and currently not working.

Mr L Turner explained that the Projects and Services Officer should contact Mr R Moore in the OCC highways department to understand when this will take place.

**Action:** - The Projects and Services Officer to contact Mr R Moore for an update and to feedback to group.

## **9. Whole of Didcot 20mph**

A discussion took place and was explained that Ladygrove has been given the go ahead for 20mph but the whole of Didcot will be going to the next County Committee meeting.

Mr L Turner explained that whole of Didcot is in phase 3 with an 18-month delay, and that the public consultation period has finished. Mr L Turner also explained that some areas of Didcot are not getting a 20mph limit sooner due to them being controlled by developers and are therefore not under the County's rollout programme.

Cllr P Davies has also reassured the group that there is still a demand for the new 20mph limit across the town, as public comments and concerns are still being received by the council.

## **10. Traffic on Hitchcock Way**

A discussion took place regarding Hitchcock Way and how cars are blocking the exit from Cow Lane Bridge.

The Projects and Services Officer asked if hatched lines could be added to both 4-way traffic lights to stop drivers from blocking this exit.

It was explained by Cllr I Snowdon that this area is part of the central belt and could change in the future.

## **11. Road works**

Not covered within meeting

## **12. Resident concerns raised**

The Projects and Services Officer explained concerns and action taken on Concerns 1 – 6 within report.

Resident concern Item 7 was discussed. The Didcot resident within the meeting presented the issue to the group.

The resident explained that on numerous occasions she has witnessed cars, vans, lorries, e-scooters, and cyclist going the wrong direction down one-way streets mainly on Mereland Road and Vicarage Road.

Cllr P Davies explained that if she can film said vehicles committing the offence to then submit to the police for action.

The resident explained some of the actions that could help the situation including replacement of no entry signs.

**Action:** - Mr L Turner will ask his team to investigate this area and look at adding arrows to the roads in question and replacing no entry signs.

**Action:** - The Projects and Services Officer to email Mr L Turner for an update and feedback to resident.

Items 8 and 9 not covered in meeting due to time and confirmed he would contact Mr L Turner for comments on residents' concerns raised.

**Action:** - Projects and Services Officer to email Mr L Turner for comment and will feedback to Councillors.

Meeting closed at 9.29pm