

# CLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Cley Parish Council Highways Meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>  
October 2021  
at 1.30 p.m. via Zoom**

**Attending:** Steve White (Highways), Cllr Holliday (CPC Chairman and NNDC District Cllr), Cllr Allen (CPC Vice-Chair), Cllr Meadows (CPC Member), and CPC Parish Clerk Gemma Harrison.

## **1.CPC Traffic Consultation**

1.1 The Clerk shared with everyone present a copy of the traffic management consultation which was carried out earlier this year. Explaining the methodology used.

## **2.Consultation Results**

2.1 The Clerk shared with everybody the consultation results and the pie graphs detailing the individual responses to questions.

2.2 A number of people commented that speeding was an issue in Area 1 (Coming into Cley along the Coast Road from Salthouse). A discussion with Steve followed on whether the parked cars would help to slow traffic down. Steve felt ordinarily parked cars may slow traffic down on wider roads but in the case of Cley due to the narrow road and no pavements, he felt motorists would (as stated in the Highway Code) have to alter their driving to the conditions around them. Therefore, Steve stated that there was no benefit to retain parked cars in this area to reduce speeding.

2.3 Due to the number of concerns raised about the possible speeding in this area, a minuteman (speed cable across the road) could be sourced from the Police to monitor traffic speeds. Clerk to seek approval from CPC to order a Minuteman from Jason. **GH**

2.4 A discussion took place around the advantages of ordering another SAM2 for the Parish. Steve felt two may be difficult as each Sam2 requires 3 separate locations, as CPC have access to the County Cllr Sam2 and has a newly purchased SAM2, it was felt another one was not needed at this time.

2.5 A discussion took place regarding installing a permanent VAS sign which would flash with a highways message such as the speed limit. Cllrs were open to this suggestion and felt there could be some benefit in having this installed given that Cley

attracts a large proportion of visitors. This will be discussed further at full PC meeting.

**ALL**

2.6 Steve felt that where yellow lines were being proposed near to driveways, these should be extended across driveways to provide consistency, he believed it would be in the property owners interest to keep driveways clear. This was noted by Cllrs.

2.7 Steve stated that enforcement would be carried out at least weekly by West Norfolk, however it could be fluid and be increased during the peak season or during times when issues have been raised. Steve agreed with Cllrs that parking displacement should not occur as it hasn't done previously with the yellow cones. The introduction of yellow line will only be in areas where cones have been placed previously and so parking displacement is not an anticipated problem.

2.8 Some feedback from the consultation was on installing white boxes instead of yellow lines. Steve felt that this was more intrusive and would only usually be found in urban towns. It would not fit in with a conservation area and historic centre of Cley.

2.9 A discussion took place on whether the Coast Road could be downgraded from an A road to a lower status. Steve believed this was unlikely as it is the main tourist route along the Coast and in order to downgrade the road a suitable alternative would need to be identified. Whilst he appreciated a lower status of road would allow for other alternatives such as chicanes etc. it was felt that any downgrading was unlikely.

### **3. Going Forward**

3.1 The consultation CPC carried out forms no part in the legal process which NCC follows. Steve stated that if CPC were to formally approach NCC to install yellow lines then a project brief would need to be written and approved for the works. Once approved the brief would then be passed to the design team for plans to be drafted and costed. Once costs have been agreed and finalised, NCC would carry out a consultation with all residents. The process is estimated to take 18 months to complete.

3.1 Cllrs decided to discuss at their next CPC meeting the possibility of asking Steve to draft a project brief for the proposals. **ALL**